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Dear Parents and Carers,

Attendance & Punctuality

Our whole school attendance from Reception to Year 6 was 93.9% this week. This means that we are in the **Amber zone** and we are NOT meeting our targets set by the Department for Education.

Attendance	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Week commencing 18 th November	91.90%	94.30%	93.10%	93.70%	95.00%	96.00%
Autumn Half Term 2	93.58%	94.72%	96.67%	94.07%	97.33%	96.65%

Salvation Army Christmas Carols

We are delighted to have been able to secure a brass band from the Salvation Army to come and perform for our school community on **Wednesday 18th December 3.15pm-4pm**. The band will play a selection of Christmas carols and during the performance, there will be hot chocolate and teas/coffees on sale with proceeds supporting the Salvation Army Christmas Appeal. We look forward to seeing you there!

Christmas Raffle

Don't forget to get your Christmas raffle tickets! Tickets are 50p each or £2.50 per strip and be purchased by cash or card at the school office. There are some fantastic prizes to be won including a Hoverboard Go Kart, one month of swimming lessons at swim! Benton, chocolate hamper, gift sets and many more! The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday next week so make sure to get your tickets before then!

Christmas Disco

We will be putting on a Christmas Disco for all children on the afternoon of **Tuesday 17th December**. Pupils will be able to attend school in non-school uniform this day - we would be grateful for a voluntary contribution of £1.00 per child to support the costs associated with running the disco. The disco will finish at 3pm so there will be no impact on home time arrangements. Pupils will also be able to bring additional money (no more than £1.00) to spend at the tuck shop.

Christmas Lunch

Christmas lunch will be served on **Wednesday 18th December**. Please ensure orders are placed on Appetite.

Christmas Pantomime

This year, we will be bringing the Pantomime to school with a production of Aladdin taking place at school for all pupils on **Thursday 19th December**. We're sure the children will love this special treat to round of a busy term at St Stephen's!

Dates for the Diary (as always, dates are subject to change!):

Monday 16th December 9:15am – Advent Celebration of the Word (Year 4)
Tuesday 17th December 1pm-3pm - Christmas Disco
Wednesday 18th December 9.00am – Christmas Choir Performance
Wednesday 18th December 3.15pm – 4.15pm – Salvation Army Christmas Carols
Wednesday 18th December - Christmas Lunch
Thursday 19th December - Christmas Pantomime (in school)
Friday 20th December 9.00am - Awards Assembly