



# St Giles School News Christmas 2016

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Dear Parents & Carers  
St Giles has had a fantastic last few weeks, full of seasonal activity. We must thank Allianz Global Assistance, once again, for donating presents to our very special children.  
Sadly we will be saying goodbye to several members of staff; Haidee Roche (Class VM), Diana Rasulova (Class VM), Angel Skipper (Blue Class), Denise Johns (Medical Dept) and Sam Hyde (OT). We would like to wish them all the best for the future.  
Have a very Happy Christmas and New Year and we will see you all back at school on Tuesday 3rd January 2017.  
**Virginia Marshall, Head Teacher**

## A Special Invitation Christmas Performance

Early Years & Primary put on a wonderful performance of 'A Special Invitation' which was thoroughly enjoyed by both parents and staff. A special thank you to Sam Inwood Field, Lynne Castle, Katie Payne and Paul Pearce for all their hard work.



## Christmas Lunch & Disco

The St Giles Christmas Lunch and Disco took Place on Friday 16th December. Donna and her Team worked really hard and staff and pupils enjoyed a delicious Christmas meal followed by a Christmas Disco which was hosted by a former pupil, Martin Bell. If you would like to hire Martin for any events, please contact the school office.



## Christmas Assembly & Nativity

Our final assembly of 2016 was a very special one with pupils from the Primary Department performing the Nativity. Staff, parents and carers really enjoyed the occasion.

Congratulations to all those pupils who received 'Perfect & Excellent Attendance' Certificates this year.



### Santa Claus visits St Giles

We were very fortunate on Monday 19th to have a visit from Santa Claus and his two Elves. He visited all the classes and delivered lots of presents.



### St Giles Pantomime 'Cinderfella'

St Giles staff put on a performance of 'Cinderfella' for the school on Wednesday afternoon. Students and staff roared with laughter to the hilariously funny and brilliantly inclusive acting, dancing and singing. There was lots of audience participation (oh no there wasn't), and everyone left smiling and laughing. This is a new tradition for St Giles that captures the talents and creativity that our staff have. Well done to everyone involved!



### Lord Taverners Boccia South London Final



Recently we took two teams to the South London Boccia Finals at The John Fisher School. Both teams played well with the Red team narrowly missing out on a place in the Semi Final after being beaten on a tie break. The Blue Team progressed through to the Final against a very good Cleeve Park School. We narrowly lost in the final 2:1. However we keep our dream of going to Sheffield again as both the winners and runners up progress through to the Regional Finals in March. Well done to Jamie, Sana, Glory, Kyle, Daniel, Esther and Abdul.

### Circus Starr

Circus Starr will be performing 'Aladdin at the Circus' at The Eternity Church on Bensham Lane on Monday 9th January 2017. A letter will be sent out on our return to school and tickets will be available from the school office from Tuesday 3rd January 2017. Join Aladdin on his magical adventures helped by Peanuts, the nation's funniest clown, as he tries to rescue the Princess from the clutches of the wicked magician.

### Possible School Closures

With the possibility of snow over the winter period, there is a risk of school closure at short notice. We will always endeavour to remain open for pupils, but this depends on staff being able to get to work and on whether transport is running. We will update you by text message by 7am. **Please make sure we have your correct mobile number!**

