

## Message from the Head Teacher

The school staff and governors wish to thank all parents, carers, family and friends for the support and understanding they have shown throughout a very difficult period. We know that there are still difficulties ahead, but we will face them together and overcome them together; we will remain one family in Christ, one family in God.

Please remember to book a PCR test for you and your family members if any of you have symptoms of COVID; please have your vaccinations and boosters; please remember to be careful - masks and social distancing will help to protect you, your loved ones and anyone who is vulnerable.

Our prayers are with you and your families during the Christmas break. We look forward to seeing you all again in the new term and new year, Insha'Allah.

## The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

To celebrate her seventy-year reign, there will be an extra Bank Holiday in 2022 to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The government website says:

The May Bank Holiday Weekend will be moved to Thursday 2 June and an additional Bank Holiday on Friday 3 June will see a four-day weekend to celebrate Her Majesty The Queen's Platinum Jubilee - the first time any British monarch has reached this historic milestone.

This historic event will reflect on Her Majesty's reign, and her impact on the UK and the world since 1952.

As schools are already on holiday at this time, it means that at the beginning of May, school will be closed for the early Bank holiday on Monday 2nd May and closed on Tuesday 3rd May - as this is when Eid is expected to fall, our families can celebrate Eid this year without their children having to miss a day of school.

An updated version of the school term dates is available on our website:

https://www.stjohnsrc.rochdale.sch.uk/page/term-dates/52606



We had a very, very special visitor in school this morning ! Santa managed to fit in a quick visit to St Johns RC Primary School in between getting presents ready for everyone !

The children were so excited to see him.

Thank you Santa !

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