As always, it's been a busy time at school this past month. Rehearsals are well underway for our Key Stage 1 nativity play, 'Baubles', and we're delighted to be able to welcome parents and carers into school to watch the production later in December. The school choir is also practising hard, not only for January's Young Voices concert in Birmingham but also for their appearance at the Singlehurst Weldon Trust's Celebration of Christmas event.

All our children took part in a sponsored bounce on the 1<sup>st</sup> of December. They were sponsored to see how many bouncy castle bounces they could do in one minute. A huge well done to all our children and a massive thank-you to all their sponsors. Their generosity is helping to raise funds to go towards buying a wonderful reading shed for the children. As well, our fabulous PFTA organised a Christmas get-together in the hall after school, with winter drinks and treats, a bottle tombola and a children's raffle. The PFTA is also organising a Christmas disco for the children later this month, which is always VERY popular. We really are very lucky to have a group of parents who give up their precious time to arrange such wonderful activities for the children to enjoy, raising much-needed funds for the school in the process.

In an effort to reduce the number of emails we send to parents and carers, we're now issuing a weekly newsletter to all families. These are also accessible <u>online</u> and contain dates for the diary, information on important issues such as online safety, and details of worship in school, as well as resources for worship at home.

Aside from school Christmas celebrations including our yummy Christmas dinner with all the trimmings and our end-of-term rock Christmas rock concert, our year 6 children are off to the National Museum of Justice in Nottingham and our year 4 children are all set for an Egyptian Experience at Abington Park Museum in Northampton. We're also looking forward to coming together at St Mary's Church for our end-of-term Christmas service (weather permitting this time!). All this before we break up for the Christmas holidays!

Finally, we'd like to thank Weldon Parish Council for its continued support and interest in Weldon CE Primary and would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!