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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of a busy and joy-filled autumn term, I would like to take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt thanks to our wonderful staff, parents and children. Your hard work, dedication and support have made this term such a successful and memorable one for our school community.

We have had the pleasure of taking part in several exciting events and activities this term. Our sports tournaments showcased fantastic teamwork and determination from the children—we were incredibly proud of their conduct and enthusiasm.

Our Christmas events have also been a true highlight of the term. The Nativity performance was a beautiful reminder of the season's message, and the children's confidence and talents shone through magnificently. Our Christingle service was another special moment, bringing us together in reflection and celebration.

A huge thank you must also go to all parents and carers for supporting our Christmas Enterprise Day. The children worked so hard on their creations, and your encouragement made the event such a success. Their imagination and effort were a joy to see.

This term, our Trust carried out a writing review, and I am delighted to share that the feedback has been overwhelmingly positive. One comment reflects the collective commitment of our school:

“The school is in a strong and rapidly improving position in writing. There is a shared understanding of the writing process; this is visible in lessons, books, working walls and a clear whole-school toolkit that includes strong modelling from the teachers.”

I am exceptionally proud of what we have achieved in such a short space of time. These improvements are testament to the dedication of our staff, who work tirelessly to raise standards and provide the very best for your children. Below is an example of one of our English working walls, which supports pupils in understanding each stage of the writing process and helps them stay focused as they develop their ideas.



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As this is my first term at Stradbroke, I also want to say how much I have enjoyed getting to know the children. Their warmth, curiosity and energy have made this term truly special for me. I feel very blessed to be part of such a caring and vibrant school community.

We look forward to the spring term, where we will continue to work hard, learn together and, of course, have fun along the way. I will be sending out some information about plans for our Forest School Project in the New Year and setting some dates to have a clearing crew if any parents can support with this.



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I wish you all a blessed, peaceful and joyous Christmas, and I look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

With warmest wishes,

Mrs Barlow

Headteacher, Stradbroke Church of England Primary School



Date to Note

06 January – Pupils return to school for Spring Term

Fundraising/Donations

We have had the below thank you from Waveney Foodbank for our Harvest donations:



Thanks to your generosity we raised £87.60 from the Nativity appeal for our chosen charity Unique.

Year 6 sang Christmas Carols at the Baptist Church and an amazing donation of £205 was given to the school from the congregation.

£87 was raised from the sale of Nativity tickets.

Over £200 was made from the Christmas Enterprise Sale and our two dancing elves!