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## Dear Parents/Carers

Here we are at the end of another busy term. It only seems like yesterday that I was writing to say welcome to the new school year!

What a busy half term this has been with all our celebrations.

- Nativities
- Carol Service
- Pantomimes
- Christmas Markets
- Christmas Parties
- Christmas Mass

We made an amazing $£ 1,000$ at the Christmas Markets. This will help go towards payment of the Christmas activities.

A special mention must be made of our choir who have been 'touring' endlessly and spreading good cheer. Joining choirs at St Peter's for Christmas carols, entertaining the residents at Pembroke Fold and shoppers in Walkden. But their greatest claim to fame was appearing on TV on Blue Peter and receiving their Blue Peter Badge (even the staff got one!). I am unbelievably proud of them - their behaviour and manners were outstanding.

All of this happens because of your support as parents and the dedication of all the staff at St Edmund's who give their time and energy ensuring the pupils have great experiences and memories.

May the peace of Christ be with you and your families at this very special time. I hope you are able to spend it with those you love. Please remember those that find this time of year difficult, let's reach out and care for each other. On the reverse of this letter is a list of support that is available over the Christmas time.

It just leaves me to wish you all a very happy Christmas. School returns at 8.45 am on Monday $7^{\text {th }}$ January 2019.

Yours sincerely
Mrs C Harrison
Headteacher

