Christmas has definitely arrived.

There have been lots of lovely things going on in school this week to help boost that festive feeling. Year 5 enjoyed watching the nativity on Tuesday. There was some lovely singing and all of Year 1 and 2 acted brilliantly and put on a really good show.

On Wednesday Year 5 visited The Lenham School for final rehearsals for 'The Little Shop of Horrors' before being joined in the afternoon by Year 6, who were invited to watch the dress rehearsal. We received comments back to say that we should be very proud of all our children as they all represented the school brilliantly and Year 5 did a fantastic job on the stage and looked like they were having a ball! There are some budding stars in our midst.

A number of children also participated in the evening performances - this was definitely above and beyond the call - well done Year 5.

Today was Christmas Jumper and Dinner Day. The kitchen staff did a brilliant job preparing, cooking and serving 216 delicious Christmas dinners – our thanks go to Fiona, Anna and Katie for a super job!

Fond Farewell

I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank Miss Baker for her hard work in Year 5 this term. Stepping in to cover a class can be daunting but Miss Baker has worked so well with the rest of the team that she has become part of the furniture. We wish her well with her plans to embark on further travels and adventures around the world.

Looking forward to 2018

I am looking forward to moving to year 5 and to be working with Mrs Killick. We have a very exciting topic planned for Term 3 and I will be explaining our plans to the children next week. Lots of things will be staying the same - Mrs Graveson and Mrs Middleton will be my 'go to' people when I can't find anything! They have both supported the class brilliantly over the last two terms and we appreciate all their hard work and commitment to the children.

Spellings

The children have been given some spellings to learn over the Christmas holidays and they will be tested on them on Friday 5^{th} January 2018.

Next week:

Monday 18th December - Carol Service at St. Mary's Church starts at 2pm

Tuesday 19th December - Term 2 Book Look from 2.30pm

Tuesday 19th December (after school) - Infant Funky Footsteps Christmas Party and Junior Roller Disco - arrangements to be confirmed via email from PTFA

Wednesday 20th December - last day of term

Don't forget

NON UNIFORM DAYS - Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th December

Finally, may we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on **THURSDAY** 4^{th} **JANUARY** 2018.

Mrs Culver and The Year 5 Teaching Team