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Dear Parent/Carer,

Curriculum Visit – St Luke's Church – Christmas 2019

On Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December children from Years 1 – 6 will be visiting St. Lukes Church to experience and share in a celebration relating to the festival of Christmas. The visit, which sits within the school's curriculum, will provide an experience supporting the children's awareness of the background relating to this festival and see them sharing in related songs, stories and poetry, led by Fr. Nick Debney, who will now be familiar to many of you as a result of his engagement with the school.

It is a legal curriculum requirement that the school provide opportunities for children to be engaged with acts of worship of a broadly Christian nature reflecting the traditions of Christian belief. The aims of the visit to St Lukes are to:

- provide our children with an opportunity for stillness and reflection;
- promote children's spiritual, moral, social and cultural development;
- celebrate the values and worth of the school community and all who belong in it;
- help children develop an understanding both of the nature and language of worship;
- help children develop respect and sensitivity to the beliefs and values of others.

We will be walking to the church at 1pm and parents are welcome to join their child's class for the journey if they wish. Alternatively parents can make their own way to the church to enjoy the celebration taking place at 1.30pm.

Your child will shortly be bringing a reply slip home for you to complete and return to us to by way of permission for your child to attend what will be our last Xmas celebration of the year.

Yours sincerely

Katy Galling - Head of Learning and Development