Happy New year!

We hope you have all had a wonderful Christmas and New year and we hope that 2021 will be a better year for us all.

We have really enjoyed celebrating Christmas. With our traditional Nativity taking place, where the children got to be on the stage and sing some of their favourite Christmas songs, while learning about the story of the first Christmas. The Nativity was then recorded for the children to be able to share with their families at home, creating some wonderful treasured memories. The children also enjoyed a wonderful Christmas party with face painting, games and a video call from father Christmas, as well as a traditional Christmas dinner. We would like to thank the Cherry Tree Inn at Stoke Row for kindly donating the children Christmas lunch for this years Christmas party. It was absolutely delicious, and enjoyed by all!

We managed to have a few fundraising events including our Christmas hamper raffle, Kelly’s Kandles and with donations for Nativity DVDs we were able to raise £ 363.50. Thank you to all of our families for all of your kindness and continued support.

All money raised will be used to purchase new small world resources to build on resources we already have. Small world resources, as well as being fun, are the ideal platform for nurturing children's imagination from a young age. This play provides them with an opportunity to explore new materials, act out scenarios from real life, build language, practice social skills, and gain an understanding of the world.

We are looking forward to the new term ahead, as always it will be filled with exciting adventures and fun packed activities.

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