

# Spaxton Church of England School

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## SPAXTON SCHOOL

Has it really been ten weeks since we started back?

It has been quite a term, so far, but one in which the school has gained a new Headteacher and, with that, changes in the way that some things are done. I would like to thank the community for my welcome and support, in my first half term and hope everyone feels happy with the way the opening part of the year has gone

Whilst I have inherited a school in a great position, we all recognise that there are things we can do better. The vision is completed and will be made available for consultation, to parents, fairly soon.

I am privileged to be able to work with, and lead, such professional and hardworking staff, who have the best interests of our children at heart. This is a fantastic position to be in as we move into the second half of the term.

### 'Generosity'

Our reflective theme, this half term, is generosity. Especially at this time of year, the term 'generosity' is particularly important as we enter a joyful period where it is important to give as well as to receive.

Of course, acts such as buying poppies and donating to Children In Need, gives us a vehicle to demonstrate our generosity but it can equally be the smaller, everyday acts of kindness that can really make the difference.

Recently, in our Collective Worship, we talked about 'unconditional generosity' and how we can think about everyone in our community and give without necessarily expecting something back in return. Since then, a number of children have purposefully come up to me to inform me of their acts of generosity, which has been fantastic to see.

We wish all of our local community a joyful and happy Christmas.

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## CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

Spaxton Church will again be lit by Christmas Trees this year. These will have been decorated by local organisations, businesses and churches on the theme of "Christmas Around the World". The trees will be first switched on for the school Christingle Service on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 2.45pm and then from Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December through to January 6<sup>th</sup>. Please visit the church to view the display.

