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Dear Parents,

I am delighted to share some positive updates regarding safety improvements around our school. Over the summer holidays, the Department for Infrastructure (DfI) widened our footpath and installed guard railings and a chicane. These changes have made our entrance a much safer route for children.

In addition, the Education Authority has approved a second School Crossing Patrol position for Edfield Road. Unfortunately, it has been challenging to recruit someone for this role. I would encourage all parents to spread the word within the community, as filling this post would allow parents to use the back car park and ensure children can walk safely to school.

DfI are also in the process of erecting the part-time 20mph zone for our school which will come into effect on 5th January 2026. All these measures are designed to make travel to and from school safer for our pupils.

As we approach the festive season, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Despite a fair amount of sickness this term, I am pleased to say we have reached the end successfully and packed a lot into these four months.

A reminder of events this week:

- **Tuesday 16th, 10:00am** – Nursery Nativity in the Primary School
- **Wednesday 17th, 1:00pm** – Junior Carol Service at St John's Church, Fivemiletown
- **Thursday 18th, 1:00pm** – Senior Carol Service at St John's Church, Fivemiletown
- **Friday 20th** – School finishes at **12 noon**. Nursery, Primary 1 and 2 children should be collected at **11:30am**. Siblings from other classes may also be collected at this time. This will be a non-uniform day. Buses will collect children at 12 noon. Please note there will be **no after-school or homework club** on this day.

All children return to school on **Monday 5th January 2026**.

On behalf of everyone at Fivemiletown Primary School and Nursery Unit, we wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Kind regards,

F. Pryce