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Dear Parent/Carer,

**Luke 1: 1-4**

*Introduction*

*1 Many have undertaken to draw up an account of the things that have been fulfilled[a] among us, 2 just as they were handed down to us by those who from the first were eyewitnesses and servants of the word. 3 With this in mind, since I myself have carefully investigated everything from the beginning, I too decided to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, 4 so that you may know the certainty of the things you have been taught.*

**Luke 4:14-21**

*Jesus Rejected at Nazareth*

*14 Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. 15 He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him.*

*16 He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, 17 and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:*

*18 "The Spirit of the Lord is on me,  
because he has anointed me*

*to proclaim good news to the poor.*

*He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners  
and recovery of sight for the blind,*

*to set the oppressed free,*

*19 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."*[a]

*20 Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. 21 He began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."*

Later on in Luke we see Jesus rejected in Nazareth by his own people. Jesus gives several warnings to his countrymen. Unless they can see that this was the time for their God to be gracious, unless they abandoned their futile dreams of military victory over their national enemies, they would suffer defeat themselves at every level - military, political and theological.

The gospel still provides the same warnings today when it challenges all interest and agendas with the news of God's surprising grace.



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Headteacher: Ms Natasha Scott



### Citizenship Weeks

Thank you for your support of the Citizenship Weeks charity bazaar, we raised **£645.84** for our two school charities, **Ihogbe College and Royal Initiative Against Poverty and Starvation (RIAPS)**.

### Class Assembly

There will be a class assembly for **4A Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> February 2019** at 9:05 am; parents with children in this class are warmly welcome.

### Half Term Break

The school will be closed for the half term break from Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February to Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February. We will also have a staff training day on the Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> February, therefore the **school will open as normal on Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> February 2019**.

### Parental Contributions

Thank you to those parents who have already paid their annual parental contributions to the governor's fund; so far the contributions total £2,230. Please ensure that you pay your parental contribution of £40 through ParentPay.

N. Scott  
Head Teacher

