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Christmas 2021 Events... Ho, Ho, Ho... It's nearly Christmas!

As hard as it is to believe, there are now only five weeks until we break for the Christmas holidays. After the disruption we have faced due to the pandemic, we are hopeful that we can have parents and carers attend our Christmas events in school this November and December. To ensure events are as safe as possible, we will be putting measures in place as explained in this letter. Of course, if the COVID-19 picture changes for the worse, we will need to revise what we do.

Winter Wonderlands

This is an opportunity for **one** parent/carer or another family member to come into school and to make Christmas decorations with your child. Please see the dates and times below for your child's session.

Monday 29 th 2:00pm	Year 5
Tuesday 30 th 2:00pm	Year 1
Wednesday 1 st 2:00pm	Year 6
Thursday 2 nd 2:00pm	Reception
Friday 3 rd 2:00pm	Year 2
Monday 6 th 10:30am & 2:15pm	Nursery AM & PM
Monday 6 th 2:00pm	Year 4
Friday 10 th 2:00pm	Year 3

Measures in place:

- Siblings must not attend.
- Everyone must use hand sanitiser when entering the building.
- Classrooms and hall space will be used to allow everyone to spread out.
- Adults will sit with their child and tables and seating will allow for some distancing.
- Adults must wear face coverings at all times apart from when sat with their child, unless exempt.
- Children who do not have an adult attending, will sit together and make decorations with a class adult.
- Windows and doors will be open throughout for good ventilation.

Please complete our **Winter Wonderland form** below to indicate if you or a family member will be attending your child's Winter Wonderland session. This form will close at 11:59pm on Sunday 28th November.

<https://forms.office.com/r/w3CiRud5qS>



Further details about the Winter Wonderlands will be emailed the week before your event.

Early Years and Key Stage 1 Performances

We are pleased to share that our younger children will be performing this Christmas. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are all working on their own productions with two showings of each performance. As you will understand, we must restrict numbers to two adults per child. May we ask that you do not bring younger siblings unless **absolutely necessary**. Each performance will be limited to 60 adults and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Bookings can be made through ParentPay from 5:00pm today. By booking, you will reserve two spaces. Please only book for one performance.

Tuesday 7 th 9:15am & 2:15pm	Reception Nativity
Wednesday 8 th 9:15am & 2:15pm	Y1 Performances
Thursday 9 th 9:15am & 2:15pm	Y2 Performances

Measures in place:

- Everyone must use hand sanitiser when entering the building.
- Performances will be in the Key Stage 2 Hall. The hall will be accessed by the external door along from the Maths Room at the front of the building.
- Seating will allow for some distancing.
- Adults must wear face coverings at all times apart from when sat for the performance, unless exempt.
- Windows and doors will be open throughout for good ventilation.

For the morning performances, adults can wait in the KS2 Hall from 8:45am. For the afternoon performances, please queue at the KS2 Hall door (along from the Maths Room) from 2pm. Doors will open shortly afterwards.

Special Visitor

Rumour has it that a special visitor from the North Pole might be visiting us too... Apparently, the PTA are in negotiations with a certain Mr. Claus about his availability. Knowing the magic of the PTA, we are confident that they will make it happen! More details to follow...

Christmas Cards

This year, children can once again bring Christmas cards into school to give to their friends. Our school Christmas postbox will be in operation from Wednesday 1st December. Please do not send children into school with cards before then. Please ensure that class names are written on the cards – without this cards will not be delivered. Thank you.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact the school office by email or telephone.

Yours sincerely,

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