

# December School Update





As we start to approach Christmas we have lots going on in school. From the children making Christmas crafts to preparing for Christmas celebrations.

## **Community Events Christmas Angels and Front Window**

We are pleased to be getting involved in a variety of community events this year. All of the children have made a Christmas Angel and these have been sent home and we hope you all have them up in your windows for everyone to see as a symbol of Hope, Joy and Christmas Spirit.

We are also creating a Christmas window at the front of the school. This will show a traditional Christmas scene and be lit up with fairy lights. We hope you all get chance to see it.

### **Christmas Party**

Due to the pandemic each class will have their own Christmas party this year. Keeping all of the children in their bubble and safety is our priority. Times and dates for each class are listed below in the 'Important Dates' section. Don't forget to come to school dressed in party clothes on the required date.

#### **Christmas Cards & Gifts**

The Government still recommends that pupils limit the amount of equipment they bring into school each day, to essentials such as lunch boxes, hats, coats and books etc. Anything that comes into school from home e.g. reading books, if they are to be given out to another person have to be isolated for 72 hours. We also appreciate the economic situation is very difficult for some families and for these reasons we will not be distributing cards within school and we are encouraging children not to bring in gifts this year.

All children will make a Christmas Card for another child and send it on behalf of their class in a Secret Santa card exchange. Other usual Christmas crafts events etc. for the children will all still take place under secure COVID-19 conditions.

**Christmas Jumper Day** We invite all children and staff in school to participate in Christmas jumper day on Friday 18/12/2020 by wearing their choice of Christmas jumper. If the children would like to make a donation towards Save the Children this will be taken on the day.

#### **Christmas Dinner**

A slip is attached to this letter for those children who do not normally have a school lunch. If you would like your child to have a Christmas lunch this year we ask that you return this slip to us by Friday 04/12/2020 along with the requested payment.

#### **Children in Need**

We had a fantastic day celebrating Children in Need raising a total of £260.90.



## **Changes in Nursery**

Miss Askew will be leaving us in January to work with children with Special Educational Needs in a school closer to where she lives. We would like to thank Miss Askew for all her hard work and wish her well in her new job, I'm sure we will all miss her. Miss Overfield Deputy Headteacher continues to be in charge of our Foundation Stage and from January Miss Lowrie will lead the Nursery class.

Should you have any questions regarding anything in this letter please give our school office a called and we will be more than happy to help you: 01388 772 906.

# Important dates for the diary:

<b>December</b>			
Wednesday 02/12/2020	Year 5 – Forrest School		
Wednesday 09/12/2020	Year 6 – Forrest School		
Friday 11/12/2020	Reception Nativity – 1:00pm		
	Further Details to follow.		
	Musical Concert – Whole School involved – 2:00pm		
	Further details to follow.		
Monday 14/12/2020	Nursery Christmas Party – am and pm		
	Reception Christmas Party – 1:00pm until 3:00pm (Hall)		
Tuesday 15/12/2020	Year 1 Christmas Party – 9:15am until 11:15am		
	Year 2 Christmas Party – 1:00pm until 3:00pm		
Wednesday 16/12/2020	Year 3 Christmas Party – 9:15am until 11:15am		
	Year 4 Christmas Party – 1:00pm until 3:00pm		
Thursday 17/12/2020	Year 5 Christmas Party – 9:15am until 11:15am		
	Year 6 Christmas Party – 1:00pm until 3:00pm		
Friday 18/12/2020	Christmas Jumper Day		
	Christmas Lunch – if your child does not normally have school meals and		
	would like to have a Christmas lunch please complete the slip attached and		
	return by the deadline date.		
	School closes for Christmas holidays		

Holiday Dates for your information			
	School Closes	School re-opens	
Autumn half term	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	
Christmas	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	
Spring half term	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	
Easter	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> April	
May Day	Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> April	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	
Summer Half Term	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	
Summer holiday	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	To be advised	
Please note that you will be notified when the school will be closed for training days			



# **Christmas Dinner Order Form**

# Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December



Child Name:	Classi
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Having Dinner: YES / NO (Please circle)

Dinner Cost: £2.10

Money Enclosed: YES / NO (Please circle)

Please return the form to us by Friday 04/12/2020