



23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Christmas Dates

This time of year is always so special for our school community. The children look forward to the Christmas concerts, Christmas Fete and festive parties all year. Although we will have to make some changes this year to ensure that we are keeping everyone safe we are still determined to make the festive period memorable for all the pupils in the Academy. Please find details below of some of the arrangements for the festive period.

### Foundation Stage Nativity

Although we will not be able to invite parents and families into school to watch the nativity concert the children will still learn the songs, practice the actions, wear a costume and take part in the performance. This performance will be digitally recorded. The recording will be transferred on to a closed youtube account – this means it can only be accessed by those with the link and cannot be viewed by the public. Parents of the children in the Foundation Stage will need to have signed the permission letter for their child to be filmed during the final performance. Any pupils who do not have consent to be filmed will still be able to take part in the process, they will simply not appear in the recording. The performance will be filmed on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December and the video will be released on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December.

**Please ensure that you complete the attached permission slip by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December. Without your signed consent your child will not appear in the recorded performance.**

### Carol Concerts

Sadly we will not be able to invite parents and families into school to take part in the annual carol concert. However, the children will still perform these Christmas favourites, which will be digitally recorded. The recording will be transferred on to a closed youtube account – this means it can only be accessed by those with the link and cannot be viewed by the public. We ask that all parents have signed the permission letter for their child to be filmed during the final performance. Any pupils who do not have consent to be filmed will still be able to take part in rehearsals, they will simply not appear in the recording. The concerts will be performed and filmed on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December and the video will be released on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December.

**Please ensure that you complete the attached permission slip by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December. Without your signed consent your child will not appear in the recorded performance.**

### Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas jumper day is always a highlight. This will be on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December. This will also coincide with our school Christmas lunch day.



### Christmas Raffle

Our Christmas raffle has been extremely popular in previous years. We usually have a fabulous selection of prizes and all proceeds go towards the school. Tickets will go on sale on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December and will be available from your child class teacher for 20p a ticket, £1.00 a strip. Any donations of prizes would be gratefully received. Please send in any donation by Monday 7<sup>th</sup>. The raffle will be drawn on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December.

### Christmas Parties

The class Christmas parties will be taking place in the final week before breaking up for the Christmas holidays. Foundation 1 and 2 children and Year 4, 5, and 6 can attend school dressed in their party clothes. The children in Years 1, 2 and 3 should bring their party clothes in to school in a labelled bag, they will be able to get changed before their party starts. School dinners will be provided as normal. Party snacks will be available during the afternoon.

Foundation 1 – Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December am

Foundation 2 – Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December am

Year 1 - Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December pm

Year 2- Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December pm

Year 3 – Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December pm

Year 4/5 – Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December pm

Year 6 – Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December pm

May I remind you that school closes on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December to enable the school to be deep cleaned and will re – open on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Wishing you the very best Christmas wishes.

Mrs Adamson

Assistant Headteacher



**Christmas Nativity / Carol Concert Permission Letter**

I do / do not give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ to be in the recorded version of the Christmas performance.

I understand that the digital recording will be uploaded on to a closed you tube account.

I agree not to share the link to this recording with anyone else.

Parents/Carers Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Childs Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Childs Class: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please ensure that this is completed and handed in to your child's class teacher by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December.**