

Christmas Activities - December 2021

8th December 2021

Dear Parents & Carers

Our Foundation Stage and Key Stage One are busy rehearsing their Christmas performances, which this year will be shared with you via a link on Dojo & Twitter as unfortunately, we are unable to welcome you all into school.

As usual, we will endeavour to ensure Christmas at school is as magical as always. The Vernon Park Christmas will therefore begin on Friday 17th December with our Christmas Jumper Day. There will be a small contribution of £1.00 (payable via School Money which will contribute to all our Christmas activities, School Fund and the Friends of Vernon Park will also contribute). Our Christmas Jumper day coincides with the School Christmas Dinner and the premieres of the recorded Christmas Performances. Children and staff will eat their Christmas Dinners together in their classrooms.

This year we will be holding our Carol Concert in school on Monday 20th December. Unfortunately, due to the new Covid variant we are unable to welcome you into school.

Our Forest School Christmas Trail begins on Monday 20th December. All children will have the opportunity to take part in the Forest School Christmas Trail. Please ensure your child has a warm coat and wellies with them on their day:

Monday 20th December:

Morning: Mr Pattison's class / Mrs Mickle's Class / Miss Ridgway's Class

Afternoon: Miss Dakin's Class / Miss Barton's Class / Miss Adam's Class / Mrs Sweeney's Class

Tuesday 21st December:

Morning: Mrs Ingram's & Mrs Freeman's class / Mrs Calhoun's Class / Mr Pearson's Class

Afternoon: Miss Monaghan's Class / Mrs Poyner's Class / Miss Brierley's Class

Christmas Party day will be held on Tuesday 21st December. All children may come to school wearing party clothes and a warm coat. Upper Key Stage Two and Key Stage one must also bring their wellies for the Christmas Trail.

Wednesday 22nd December is our Pantomime Day for all children in Key Stage One and Key Stage Two. The pantomime 'Puss in Boots' will take place in the afternoon and the children may come to school in their own clothes, dressing up clothes, pantomime clothes or their school uniform. Foundation Stage will be watching a CBeebies pantomime.

School will close to children on Wednesday 22nd December 2021 and will re-open on Thursday 6th January 2022

Gentle reminder - there will be no After School Club on Wednesday 22nd December. School closes to all children at 3.15pm on this day.

Please ensure that you book and pay for all Breakfast and After School Club sessions in advance as we cannot guarantee places without payment. If there are arrears on your account, we are unable to book sessions. Late picks ups from 3.15pm are chargeable and payment is required as soon as possible. Unfortunately, the booking system will be unavailable from 4pm on Tuesday 21st December due to scheduled maintenance. Please can you book any Breakfast Club requirements for Wednesday 22nd December before 4pm on Tuesday 21st December.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a safe, happy and peaceful Christmas and New Year.

Yours sincerely

Claire E Lee
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