



Monday 21st November 2022

Dear Parents,

Christmas craziness has hit Vernon Park and we would like to invite you into school to share in the festive fun with us!

This year we are once again able to hold our **Christmas Makers' Market on Thursday 1st December**, where we invite local craft-workers and traders into school to share their wonderful gifts and goodies. The market will start straight after school, with stalls set up in the hall and food traders and fun for the children in the playground (weather permitting). The market will be open until 5.30pm, so please invite friends and neighbours to head down to school and support our festivities. We are holding a **non-uniform day on Friday 25th November** in return for donations for the Christmas Makers' Market and our raffle (Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2: Chocolate / Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6: Bottles)

We are excited to announce that Father Christmas is taking time out of his busy schedule to join us in his grotto at our market. Children from EYFS and KS1 can meet Father Christmas, have their photograph taken and receive a special gift if they buy a ticket. Tickets can be purchased, on a first come, first served basis, via our 'schoolmoney' system and are **strictly limited** due to time constraints. Please also complete the form attached with your preferred time slot and return to school as soon as possible. (Don't worry if you can't meet him at the market, he will still be making special appearances at all year group Christmas parties.)



Also, a reminder that **1.45pm - 2.45pm on Friday 16th December** is our ever-popular **Parent Christmas Crafts** event. Family members from all year groups (Nursery to Year 6) are invited into school to make Christmas crafts with classes. Please come to the school reception and you will be invited to head to your child's classroom to help make some wonderful Christmas crafts. If you have more than one child in school please divide your time equally between classes. At 2.45pm we will be serving mince pies and warm drinks in the hall, and the choir will sing some carols for you.

Tickets for our Christmas raffle will be on sale shortly; £1 per strip of 5 tickets payable via our 'schoolmoney' system. The raffle will be drawn at 3.15pm on Tuesday 20th December in the KS2 Playground (weather permitting)

Happy Christmas

The VP Team





Meet Santa Tickets

Child's Name: _____ Class: _____

Year group (please circle): Nursery Reception Year 1 Year 2

Please make payment via our online 'schoolmoney shop' system: **£2.00** to purchase a ticket for your child to meet Father Christmas at the Christmas Makers' Market on Thursday 1st December.

This is on a first come, first served basis and we have limited spaces available.

Tickets are only available for children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

My preferred time slots are (please put one tick in each column):

	1 st choice	2 nd choice	3 rd choice
3.30pm - 3.45pm			
3.45pm - 4.00pm			
4.00pm - 4.15pm			
4.15pm - 4.30pm			
4.30pm - 4.45pm			
4.45pm - 5.00pm			
5.00pm - 5.15pm			

If your preferred time slots are not available, are you happy for another time to be allocated? **yes/no**