



Friday 26 November 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

### **Christmas Arrangements**

I thought it would be useful to clarify our Christmas activities for you all. Once again we have had to re think Christmas and ensure that what we are doing continues to work within the protective measures that we have in place to ensure that we all work together to stop the spread of COVID. Our positive cases continue to remain low. I am sure you would agree that we would like to keep it that way to support staff, children and you as parents/carers.

#### **From Wednesday 1 December – Christmas cards**

Each class will have a Christmas card letter box in their classroom where children can deliver their Christmas cards to other children in their class. Thank you to the class reps for organising these. If your child has a card for any child/ren in any other year groups, they will be able to post them within school. At the end of each day, the class teacher will be able to give out the Christmas cards. Please put the recipient child's name and year group on the front of the envelope!

#### **Christmas Decorations Day – Thursday 9 December**

##### **Elfridges Christmas Shop – Thursday 9 December**

During the day, children will be involved in a range of activities, where they will create items to sell. They will also be attending the Elfridges Christmas shop (if they have booked their slot) where they can wrap their presents to take home for their family and/or pets ready for Christmas day! You have been informed of the booking procedures separately.

#### **Christmas jumper day! – Friday 10 December**

##### **Santa's Grotto – Friday 10 December**

##### **Christmas sale – Friday 10 December 3.15-4pm (weather dependent)**

During the day children will be visiting Santa (if they have booked their slot – you have been informed of the booking procedures separately). They can also wear their Christmas jumpers. I am always so impressed with the range of knitwear on display!

After school each class will have a table outside (weather dependent) where they will be able to sell their Jazzy jars and items that they have made from Christmas Decorations day. There will also be cakes to sell and the raffle for the hampers will take place.

Nursery will be outside their classroom door at midday.

Reception, Yr 1 and Yr 2 will be on the small playground 3.15-4pm

Yr3, Yr4, Yr5, and Yr 6 will be on the large playground 3.15-4pm

If the weather is not kind to us, we will make a decision on the day and rearrange for the following week.

### **Christmas Dinner – Wednesday 15 December**

Children can wear their Christmas festive jumpers on this day. This is always a BIG day for the kitchen staff!

### **KS2 (Yr3-6) Christmas Carol Concert – Thursday 16 December**

This will take place at Greenway during the afternoon but it will only be for the children with no parents in attendance. We understand that this is disappointing but we will be recording this event and will upload it to Google Classrooms. The children have been practising their songs during singing with Mrs O'Brien. The school choir will perform and our Head girl/boy and Deputy head girl/boy will be presenting a selection of readings.

### **Nursery and Reception Nativity**

This will take place at Greenway on Tuesday 14 December and again it will only be for the children with no parents/carers in attendance. It will also be recorded and uploaded onto Google Classrooms.

### **Class Christmas Parties**

These will be taking place in classes towards the end of term. Children will be wearing their school uniforms at these parties.

### **Last day of term – Tuesday 21 December**

Children can wear their festive jumpers on this day. Breakfast Club will be running but there will be no Wacky, as school will finish at 1.30pm.

I would like to say a big thank you to the GSA committee and volunteers and Miss Dell who are busy behind the scenes organising the Elfridges Christmas shop and Santa's Grotto.

We are looking forward to experiencing all of our Christmas activities.

Regards

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