



23 November 2021

Dear Parents,

### **Christmas Arrangements 2021**

We would like to share with you our arrangements for celebrating Christmas this year at school due to the COVID19 restrictions. Unfortunately, there will be less events again this year.

### **Jack and the Beanstalk Panto – Years 1 to 6**

We will be taking Years 1 to 6 to the New Walsey Theatre on **Tuesday 30 November** to see the Rock and Roll Panto. The deadline for payment is Friday 26 November. As a reminder we will not be returning to school until 5.00pm.

### **The Jolly Christmas Postman - Reception**

Reception pupils will be going the Mercury Theatre in Colchester on **Wednesday 8 December**. The deadline for payment is Friday 3 December.

### **Christmas Lunch**

We will be hosting Christmas lunch on **Thursday 9 December** this year for pupils and staff. Attached is the Christmas menu we will be serving.

For pupils who pay for school lunch the cost is £2.30 as per the normal school meal charge and is payable on Arbor.

Any pupils not having the Christmas lunch will need to be provided with a home packed lunch.

To ensure we order correctly please could you complete the Forms Survey on the link below:  
<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=EGorfMwEtEi30d9QFOXXNFLQamu6zg1MhDFYDD9ciPVURFFEUjRWR1E0SVAXR1dEMFZUOFhARUCyNy4u>

We ask you complete the form by **Wednesday 1 December**.

## **PTA Christmas Raffle**

As you will know the PTA do a fantastic job raising money for our school. Sadly, due to COVID19, we are unable to run a Christmas Fair this year.

The PTA have therefore decided to organise Christmas Hamper Raffles again, following last year's success. There will be a child hamper and an adult hamper per class. To support this, we are asking for donations to the adult hampers on **Thursday 2 December**. In an exchange for a donation your child can wear non uniform on this day.

Slips for purchasing tickets for the hamper raffle will then be sent home on Monday 6 December to be returned by Monday 13 December. The hamper raffles will then take place on Friday 17 December.

## **Christmas Cards**

The school post box will open for delivery on **Wednesday 1 December**. Please write child's name and class to aid delivery.

## **Nativity Performances**

We really hope we will be able to go ahead with the Small Blues and Holly Blues Nativity performances as scheduled on the diary dates. Details regarding these will be shared with parents as soon as we are able to confirm arrangements. Suffolk County Council are reviewing guidance on 25 November.

## **Christmas Songs at the Church**

We are also hopeful we will be able to go ahead with Christmas Songs at St Mary's, Martlesham. As soon as we can confirm arrangements, we will let you know. This is planned for families and children to enjoy Christmas carols on **Monday 13 December**. This will be a 6.00pm start.

## **Christmas Jumper Day**

On **Friday 17 December** we invite the children to wear non uniform with a festive top or jumper. We ask for a £1 donation and this money will be used to help fund our field project.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Kind regards

Miss Churchman  
Head Teacher