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## Festive and End of Term Arrangements - December 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach peak festive swing at school and after what was a fantastic PAKSA Christmas Cracker event last weekend, I am writing to confirm arrangements for the last two weeks of term.

We have a really busy couple of weeks of term ahead so I have summarised these below, together with details of our early finish on Friday 16th December, which is very similar to previous years.

# Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas Lunch and KS 2 Christmas Carol Concert Thursday 8th December

Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children.

Children may come to school wearing a Christmas Jumper if they wish to. If they don't have a Christmas jumper, they are welcome to Christmas-ify a jumper or sweatshirt, hairband etc. by adding tinsel or similar. We will have a collection bucket outside the front of school for any donations towards Save the Children. If you don't have any cash but would like to make a donation, there will be a QR code on the front of the bucket. Alternatively, please click on the link below to make a donation:

### Christmas Jumper Day Donation

The children will also enjoy their Christmas Lunch on 8th December, whether they have ordered a hot meal or they bring a packed lunch, they will all sit with their class and be able to have a Christmas Cracker courtesy of PAKSA.

In the evening, our KS 2 children will have their Annual Christmas Carol Concert at St John the Baptist Church, Kirdford. A letter with full details was been sent to KS2 families earlier this week.

### KS 1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal and Performances Monday 12th, Tuesday 13th and Wednesday 14th December

This year, our KS1 Nativity - Baarmy Bethlehem will be held on Tuesday 13th and Wednesday 14th December. The Dress Rehearsal will take place on Monday 12th December.

A letter with more details on how families can book their seats for the Nativity was sent to our KS 1 families earlier this week and the booking system for reserving seats remains open until Friday 9th December. Slips of paper have been sent home in KS 1 children's book bags with information on costumes and dates for the costumes to be brought into school. Please contact your child's teacher if you are unsure of what your child should wear to the nativity.













## Christmas Parties Thursday 15th December - Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 Friday 16th December - Years R, 1 and 2

This year we will be holding our annual Christmas parties in Key Stage groups. The parties will take place on Thursday 15th December for Years 3-6 and on Friday 17th December for Years R-2. Children may come to school in MUFTI (home clothes) on their party day. Please would you ensure that footwear is sensible. The school's policy on jewellery does not change on a MUFTI day.

Rather than asking for children to bring food, we are asking for a donation of £1.00 towards a drink, snack and party prizes. We will have a collection bucket outside the front of school for any donations or if you don't have any cash but would like to make a donation, there will be a QR code on the front of the bucket. Alternatively, please click on the link below to make a donation. All children will have their school lunch as usual.

Donations for Christmas Party Year 3-6

Donations for Christmas Party Year R-2

## End of Term Arrangements Friday 16th December

As with previous terms, we will be finishing on our last day of term, Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December at a slightly earlier time. This will enable school to pool resources, organise learning spaces and facilitate a deeper clean of school.

If you would like your child to travel home on the school bus, the buses will depart as follows:

Kirdford Bus- 12.45pmDunsfold Bus- 1.00pmIfold Bus- 12.45pm

If you would like to collect your child directly from school please collect at 1.15pm.

We will be returning to school after the Christmas Break on Tuesday 3rd January 2023.

Many thanks to all our families for all their support this term.

Yours sincerely,

Mr King