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Final Week of Term Arrangements

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach peak festive swing at school and after what was a fantastic evening at our Key Stage Two Carol Concert, I am writing to confirm arrangements for the last few days of term.

We have a really busy last few days of term ahead so I have summarised these below, together with details of our early finish next Friday, which is very similar to previous years.

Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas Lunch and KS 1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal Friday 10th 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 tomorrow, 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.

Our Reception and KS1 children will also be having their dress-rehearsal for their Nativity on Friday afternoon.

KS 1 Nativity Performances Monday 13th, Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th December

This year, our KS1 Nativity will be held over 3 days in order to reduce numbers in the school hall. Due to the current Covid situation, this may be subject to change.

We are limiting the number of audience members per family to 2 and have a waiting list for any extra seats. If you have not yet booked your seats via the Parent Booking System, the bookings will close at 12.00 Noon on Friday 10th December.

To do our best to keep this event as covid-secure as possible we are advising:

All audience members to have carried out a Lateral Flow Test prior to attending. If a LFT returns a positive result please follow NHS guidance and immediately isolate and book a PCR Test.

We also request that <u>audience members wear a mask during the performance</u>, unless they are exempt.













Christmas Parties Thursday 16th December - Years 1 - 6, Friday 17th December - Reception Class

This year we will be holding our annual Christmas parties in Class Bubbles. The parties will take place on Thursday 16th December for Years 1-6 and on Friday 17th December for Robin Class. 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. All children will have their school lunch as usual.

Donations for Christmas Party Year 1-6

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End of Term Arrangements Friday 17th December

As with previous terms, we will be finishing on our last day of term, next Friday 17th 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 – 1.00pm

Dunsfold Bus – 1.00pm Ifold Bus – 1.15pm

If you would like to collect your child directly from school please follow the staggered collection times:

1.10pm Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

1.15pm Years Three, Four, Five and Six

We will be returning to school after the Christmas Break on Tuesday 4th December 2022.

Yours sincerely,

Mr King