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Learning for Life!



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Tis the Season to be Jolly... Careful!



As this year rapidly hurtles to an end, the festive season is fast approaching, and we will be celebrating in school, with some slight alterations this year. This time of year is always a wonderful time to be in a primary school, and we will do our best this year to make sure that it feels as close to normal as possible for the children and that our usual traditions are upheld, but with some slight modifications, taking into account the current health situation.

Christmas Performances

As I'm sure you have worked out, unfortunately, we cannot accommodate the huge crowds this year who normally flock to watch the children's nativity performances and carol concerts. Also, the children can't mix together to create a stage show this year. This is a great shame, however, in light of social distancing guidance it is simply not possible.

However, *the show must go on!* Therefore, all of the children will be involved in a Christmas performance, from Little Teds, right through to Y6, which we will film and edit together. We will then share this with you digitally so you can watch it safely in the comfort of your home with your family around you. We understand that this will not have the same 'live' entertainment quality that we are all used to, but feel that in the circumstances, it will be as close as we can get it to the real thing.

Christmas Cards and Gifts

Christmas cards and gifts can still be sent this year, within class bubbles. We will not have the communal post box this year and the usual delivery service, however, within bubbles, teachers will have a box for cards and gifts to go in where they can be left for 48 hours before being distributed within the class.

Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumpers

Christmas dinner day will be on **Wednesday 9th December**. All children are invited to have a traditional Christmas dinner, if they please, with all the trimmings and pull a cracker! Dinner will be served in class bubbles, as it is now, and will perhaps be more serene this year than ever as we'll not be trying to fit the whole school into a one hour sitting! Children are also invited to wear their Christmas jumpers for that day and can also wear them for national Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 11th December.

Christmas Parties

Christmas parties will be happening in classes during the last week. Children will be able to come dressed in their party clothes all day and school will provide the party food this year. However, if anybody does have a specific dietary requirement, please provide their party food, clearly labelled with their name.

Best Wishes,

Mr John Sitch
Headteacher