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NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents

Thank you to all parents who attended the Infant concert 'Lights Camel Action'. Your support and kind comments were very much appreciated by the staff and children. Can I remind you that if you would like to purchase a link to view the recording of the concert, please log onto your Scopy account and make the £4 payment by Tuesday 20th December.

Carol Service

Further to my previous letter, may I remind you that our Carol Service is tomorrow, Friday 16th December at St Alkmund's Church at 2.00pm.

Parking at the Bridge Inn is welcomed and has the kind permission of the Landlord. However, if you are using the pub car park, please park away from the entrance area. Where possible, please walk or share lifts. **Please do not park on the narrow drive leading down to the church car park area.** Your support would be greatly appreciated and I would be grateful if you could share this information with Grandparents and others who are likely to attend.

All children are to go home directly from the Church at approximately 3.00pm if you are attending the service, and 3.10pm if you are not. Therefore, on Friday afternoon, all children need to be picked up at the Church, or be clear about their going home arrangements. Unless I am informed in writing that your child is to return to school to be dismissed at 3.30pm, it will be assumed that your child will go home from Church and will understand their arrangements.

It will be easier to bring as few bags as possible on Friday, so there is less to carry to Church, with packed lunches in disposable packaging and infant children not requiring their book bags.

GOING HOME ARRANGEMENTS

PARENTS ATTENDING THE SERVICE – 3.00PM

Once the Year 5 and 6 children have left the Church and walked to the Church hall, parents who are attending the service will be able to collect their child from:-

- Reception – The choir stalls
- Year 1 & 2 – The pews near the Vestry door
- Year 3 & 4 – The chairs near the organ
- Year 5 & 6 – The Church Hall – wait in the Vestibule near the toilets and kitchen

Parents attending the service need to leave as swiftly as possible from the Church site, so that we can then reunite children with parents who have not attended. Parents who are not attending the service, and are waiting outside, can then come into collect their child/children from the designated areas detailed above at **3:10pm.**

Christmas Parties – Tuesday 20th December

A reminder that children may wear their own clothes rather than uniform on Christmas Party day, which is Tuesday 20th December for Nursery, KS1 and KS2.

Non Uniform /Christmas Jumper Day – Wednesday 21st December

Further to the last Newsletter, and for a minimum of £2, children may wear non uniform and dress in their Christmas jumper, or festively, on the last day of term. This voluntary donation will be added to your child's Scopay account on Monday and removed before we finish for the Christmas break.

School Uniform

All PE bags will be sent home with the children on Monday. Can you please take the opportunity to check the contents of your child's PE bag to ensure it has all the correct items, including trainers AND black PE pumps, and that they are clearly labelled.

After School Clubs

After School Clubs will restart week commencing 9th January. You will have received separate communication from Mrs Manners regarding clubs.

Healthy Cookery and Computer Club – letters with dates/groups were sent out at the beginning of the academic year.

If you have any queries regarding the after school clubs, please contact the school office.

Christmas Vacation

School closes for the Christmas vacation on Wednesday 21st December at the usual time, and reopens on Monday 9th January.

On behalf of all the Staff and Governors, I wish you all the joys of the festive season, and good health and happiness in 2023.

Happy Christmas everyone.

S J Whyld
Headteacher