



14 November 2019

Dear Parents,

CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

Christmas is always a busy time for both the children and you, their families. We want to make sure that no one misses any of the exciting events we have planned and so this newsletter details our plans for the Christmas Activities.

This year we will again be having separate Christmas productions for Early Years and Key Stage 1. This will mean that there will only be one performance for Early Years and two performances for Key Stage 1.

As there is only one Early Years performance we will be sending home **two adult tickets per family** for the Early Years production in the week beginning 2nd December (If you do not require both tickets please return one to the office and we will set up a waiting list for extra tickets).

If your child is in KS1 there will be **two adult tickets per family** available for **one** of the performances, please complete the attached slip to let us know which performance you wish to attend and if you would like to be added to the waiting list for any extra seats available. Please let us know by 29 November so we can send home the tickets the week beginning 2 December.

We would appreciate it if you could attend without younger children as this can distract the children performing. However, if you have to bring younger children we do ask that you are considerate to the children performing. If your child is disrupting the play, please would you take them out, so as not to spoil it for the children and other families. Thank you for your support in this. Younger children will require a ticket for fire regulations. Please make sure that you have a ticket for them by completing and returning the attached slip.

The performance dates and times are as follows:

Early Years production (The Vegetable Patch, Hedgerow & Nursery): Tuesday 17 December 9.30am

Key Stage 1 productions (Oak Tree, Cherry Tree & Silver Birch): Friday 13 December 2.15pm and Monday 16 December at 9.30 am.

The **use of cameras** during the children's performance can be intrusive and irritate other members of the audience. We are therefore happy to offer all our parents an opportunity to take photographs at the end of the production.

Christmas Lunch - Wednesday, 18 December.

As all school lunches are free, the Christmas lunch will be free also. However due to ordering the food we need to know numbers for the Christmas lunch in advance.

We will book a Christmas lunch for everyone unless you notify the school office by emailing adminoffice@peelcommon-inf.hants.sch.uk that your child would prefer the vegetarian option or that you are providing a packed lunch for the day. Please contact the office before **Friday 7th December**, otherwise, a Christmas lunch will be ordered for your child.

Roast Turkey

or

Quorn fillet

Both main courses will be served with:

Stuffing ball, roast potatoes, garden peas, baton carrots and gravy

Followed by a Christmas dessert.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Christmas parties will be on Thursday 19 December.

Infant children will wear school uniform and have lunch as normal on that day. They need to bring party clothes in a clearly named carrier bag to change into for the party in the afternoon.

This year we will be asking for donations of food for the party. These donations **MUST BE IN A SEALED PACKET** to meet food standard regulations. We will ask each class to donate a small amount of a particular type of food:

More details of what to send will come nearer to the time.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT £2.42 per child.

This year the Christmas entertainment will be "Goldilocks" It will again be performed by Hand to Mouth Theatre Ltd. The children will watch the performance on the afternoon of Tuesday 10 December. This is always a very popular show and we ask that you send a donation towards the cost of the show of £2.42 per child. **Please send exact money, as we will not be able to give change.**

Christmas Cards

From Monday, 2 December, the children will be able to post their Christmas Cards in our school post box. This will enable Year 2 pupils to have the opportunity to be 'postmen' - sorting and delivering the letters. Please ensure that the **receiver's name and class number** are marked clearly on the envelope.

Please remember, we no longer send out class lists.

Oak Tree class, Mrs Jolliffe, Class 1

Cherry Tree, Mrs Gingell/Mrs Davis Class 2

Silver Birch, Miss Aston/Miss Piggot Class 3

The Hedgerow, Mrs Boothman Class 6

The Vegetable Patch Mrs Leadbeater Class 7

Nursery, Mrs Clarke/ Mrs Masters/ Miss Larrise

Christmas decorations - Monday 2 December

We are inviting a family member to come and join the children to make a Christmas decoration on Monday 2 December. For KS1 the decorations workshops will begin at 2pm. For Early Years you may attend at either 9.00am or 2.00pm, please complete the reply slip to let us know which session you will attend.

Year R parents are invited at 9.00-10.00 am or 2.00-3.00pm

Year 1 and Year 2 parents are invited at 2.00pm

The decorations will be going up in our hall or the classrooms.

The family member can be parents, grandparents or aunt/uncle. Due to the restrictions we have on numbers we ask only one family member comes per child. If you are unable to find someone to look after younger children, you are welcome to bring them but they will need to be supervised by you during the workshops. Please complete the form at the end of the letter.

Christmas Jumper Day

Once again as a school, we are taking part in the Children's society Christmas Jumper day, this year this will be on Friday 20 December. We invite all children (and adults) to come to school in a Christmas jumper (or if you do not have a jumper, a piece of tinsel will be all right!) We ask for a donation and suggest £1 but of course, you can always donate more to this special cause.

Last day of term

On **Friday 20 December**, the school will close at **1.30pm** for the Christmas holidays.

School will re-open on Monday 6 January.

Yours sincerely



Mrs L Spicer
Head Teacher





Please return completed sheet to the school office

Please see Christmas Activities email for information

Child's Name _____ Class _____

Key Stage 1 Christmas Play

Adult 1 will be attending the production on Friday 13 December/Monday 16 December

Adult 2 will be attending the production on Friday 13 December/Monday 16 December

* Please delete as necessary

Christmas Play, Puppet Man

I enclose/paid online* a donation of _____ for the Puppet Man. (**Exact money please as no change can be given**)

*delete as appropriate

Christmas Decoration

The family member coming to help my child with their Christmas decoration is

Adult Name: _____

Relationship to child: _____

Session attending: _____