



We apologise for the lack of newsletter the past 2 weeks  
Please refer back to this information with additional things added in red

Please also note:

- There will be no PE next week.
- All children need to bring in a carrier bag with their name on it by Wednesday.
- If children want to send cards to friends they can get a list of first names from their class teacher- they should post them in the post box when they bring them in (please make sure they write the child's name and class on the envelope)

 **12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS- FOOD BANK ADVENT CALENDAR (starting Monday 2nd December)** 

This year again we will be doing a reverse advent calendar to continue our support of the food bank. For 12 days in December (until our Christmas dinner day) we will be asking for donations of different items and would appreciate your support with this. We hope by doing this we can make sure no one is hungry at Christmas. Here is the list of items we would like to collect and the days we will be collecting (but really, we don't mind any donations on any days- everything will be greatly received!)

**PLEASE TRY AND SEND IN SOME OF THESE ITEMS SO WE CAN HELP SOME PEOPLE AT CHRISTMAS**

Monday 9.12.23 Tinned vegetables	Tuesday 10.12.23 Tinned meat	Wednesday 11.12.23 Rice pasta	Thursday 12.12.23 Noodles or pot noodles	Friday 13.12.23 Pasta cooking sauces in jars
Monday 16.12.23 Shampoo and shower gel	Tuesday 17.12.23 Toothpaste and soap	Thank you		

**Christmas Nativity: Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> (afternoon) and Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December (morning)**

We are really excited to say that our Christmas play this year will involve Reception, year 1 and year 2. The Nativity performances will take place on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> and Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December. We will be using the School Life app to book tickets. More information about the play e.g. telling you what your child is doing, how to book tickets, asking for help with costumes will be sent out soon.



**ALL LETTERS ABOUT TICKETS SHOULD NOW HAVE GONE OUT- IF YOU HAVE NOT HAD YOURS PLEASE SPEAK TO THE CLASSTEACHER**

**Singing in the Town centre: Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

This year, our choir, will be joining many other schools in the local area in singing carols in the town centre on the afternoon of Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December. You are welcome to come along and watch us. The singing will take place in Somers square (by Iceland) weather permitting. The performance starts at 2pm.



**Christmas story and party day- Reception Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December**



On this day Reception will be having a Christmas Story day (that parents can attend) and their party. We are asking for a contribution of £1 per child towards snacks. This needs to be brought to school on **TOMORROW Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December- THERE WILL BE A BUCKET ON THE GATE TO COLLECT.** Parents will be invited to come in when they drop their children off and can enjoy a Christmas story. Parents will then leave and the children will have their Christmas party.

**NO NEED TO BOOK. PLEASE DO NOT BRING MORE THAN 2 ADULTS PER CHILD.**



**Christmas dinner: Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**



We are again making a big deal of our Christmas dinner this year. We hope all children will really love the occasion. On this day children can wear **Christmassy clothes/ jumpers/ tinsel in their hair-** Anything Christmassy really!! **IF YOU HAVE NOT BOOKED PLEASE ENSURE YOU SEND A PACKED LUNCH AS NO OTHER MEALS WILL BE AVAILABLE**

**Carol Service: Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December (morning)**



The school carol service will be held at St John's Church – this year it will happen on the morning -starting at approx. 9.30 am. We are just checking with church, but we hope that families can drop children off and can then make their way to church to wait for us in the warm (unless you fancy a coffee in town first). This is always a lovely occasion led by the children. We would love to fill the church this year so hope you can all find time to come along. **PLEASE JOIN US**

**Christmas parties- Years 1-6 – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December pm**

Year 1- 6 will be having their Christmas Parties on the afternoon of Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December. Year 1,2 and 3 will have a traditional party with games. Years 4,5 and 6 will be having a "cinema" afternoon. We are asking for a contribution of £1 per child towards snacks. This needs to be bought to school on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December. **PLEASE DROP IN BUCKETS ON THE GATE. If your child has any allergies please speak to someone about party food.**



**All children break up for the Christmas holidays- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 3.30**



**Children return to school- Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January ( Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January is a teacher training day)**