



LIONEL WALDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents / Carers

CHRISTMAS IN SCHOOL

Please find lots of information about the range of festive activities happening over the next few weeks in school.

Christmas Cards

Children may bring in Christmas cards for other children and staff. To ease the sorting and distribution, **please ensure cards are clearly addressed with the recipient's name and year group.** Children will be able to post their cards in the postbox in the entrance hall. Cards may be brought into school from **Thursday 1st December until Monday 20th December.**

Christmas Parties

Monday 12th December – Year 2

Tuesday 13th December - Year 4

Wednesday 14th December – Year 3

Thursday 15th December – Year 5

Friday 16th December – Year 6

Monday 19th December – Pre-School (further details to follow)

Monday 19th December – Year 1

Wednesday 21st December – Reception

Rather than parents/carers sending in food to share, we are kindly asking for a donation of £1 per child in order that we can purchase a range of food items which will be individually plated up for each child. **Please send your child with their money during the week commencing 28th November.** On the day of the party, children may come into school wearing a Christmas jumper or party clothes.





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Christmas Lunch – Thursday 15th December

We are very pleased to be able to offer a Christmas lunch consisting of turkey, sausage, roast or mashed potatoes, stuffing, peas and carrots followed by a Christmas cookie or chocolate covered Christmas tree ice-cream. There will be a vegetarian option of macaroni cheese available too. This meal is offered free for pupils in Reception, Years 1 and Year 2 and at a cost of £2.50 for pupils in Years 3 to 6, in accordance with the Universal Free School Meals guidance. Payment in advance can be made via the usual Pay 360 platform.

National Christmas Jumper Day – Thursday 8th December

Everyone is invited to wear a Christmas jumper on this day. Although this is a fundraising appeal for Save the Children Appeal, we are not asking for donations as we will have just enjoyed the LWSA Christmas Fair on the 3rd December. If you wish to make a donation, then please do so directly to the Save the Children Appeal.

LWSA Christmas Fair including Breakfast with Santa

This major fundraising event takes place on Saturday 3rd December. Details regarding Breakfast with Santa have already been circulated. Our Christmas Fair is taking place between 8 – 11.30am, with various stalls and games throughout the school. Please come along and if you are able to offer to help support on a stall, the LWSA would love to hear from you. Please email the Office and your details will be forwarded.

Christmas Nativities

We are very pleased to be able to invite you in to watch our Christmas performances this year. We have afternoon and evening performances and parents, carers and grandparents are welcome to attend either or both.

Please note that no children, other than those performing, will be allowed to watch the main performances. If you are struggling with child care, then we are pleased to invite you to watch our dress rehearsals, where you are welcome to bring young children and babies.

During these rehearsals, the children will also perform to the rest of the school so that siblings get a chance to watch the show.



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Thurs 8 th December 1:45pm	Dress rehearsal – Reception and Pre-School	Parents with younger children and babies invited
Fri 9 th December 1:45pm	Dress rehearsal – Years 1&2	Parents with younger children and babies invited
Mon 12 th December 1:45pm & 6pm	Main productions – Reception and Pre-School	Adults only – family members welcome also
Wed 14 th December 1:45pm & 6pm	Main productions – Years 1&2	Adults only – family members welcome also

Doors will open 15 minutes prior to the performance starting. Ace Communications will be filming the performances and the DVD will be on sale from the School Office at a cost of £5. We will inform you when we are in receipt of the completed DVD.

Carol Concert

Our Carol Concert will take place on Tuesday 20th December at 10am at St Mary's Church, Doddington. All parents are welcome to attend and join us in singing a selection of traditional Christmas songs.

School Choir

Our School Choir are in full voice and have been learning a range of traditional and contemporary Christmas songs. They will be performing at our local care home to residents as well as performing at the March Christmas Fair on Sunday 4th December. We are due to sing on stage at 10:30am. Please come along and support them at the fair!