



LIONEL WALDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents/Carers

CHRISTMAS IN SCHOOL

Following advice received from the Local Authority, we are now in a position to provide information about our plans for the Christmas period in school. Obviously, this year will be very different and although we must adhere to guidance, we want to make this time as enjoyable as we can whilst keeping everyone as safe as possible.

Christmas Cards

Although the central Christmas postbox will not be in operation this year, children may bring in Christmas cards/gifts for other children in their own bubble (**children in their own class only**) and staff. **They should bring them in a bundle which is to be placed in a box on entering their classroom.** Christmas cards will be 'quarantined' for 72 hours before being distributed. Cards may be brought into school from 1st December with the last day for bringing in cards being **Monday 14th December.**

Christmas Parties - Thursday 17th December for All Classes

This year, we are unable to hold our class Christmas parties in the usual format. Instead of 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 for each child. Please send your child in with their money **during the week commencing 30th November.** On the day of the party, children may come into school wearing a Christmas jumper or party clothes - please bear in mind that it is colder than normal in school at the moment due to increased ventilation (the heating is on but windows are fully open) so ensure they are dressed accordingly. The day will include a favourite Christmas film and Christmas activities.

Christmas Lunch - Wednesday 16th December

We are very pleased to be able to offer a Christmas lunch consisting of turkey, sausage, roast potatoes and carrots followed by a Christmas cookie or ice-cream. This meal is offered free for pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and at a cost of £2.40 for pupils in Years 3 to 6, in accordance with the



Universal Free School Meals guidance. Please order your child's meal via the School Office by Wednesday 2nd December stating your child's preferred choice of dessert.

National Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 11th December

Everyone is invited to wear a Christmas jumper on this date in aid of the Save the Children Appeal; a suggested donation of £1 would be welcomed.

We thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate in contacting me through the School Office.

Yours sincerely

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Mrs S A Barnard-Taylor
Headteacher

