



# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,  
Christmas is here at school with lots of things coming up, so please keep a close eye out on the app and on our website, twitter and the reminders on this newsletter so that you are up to date.

Our children are definitely getting their fair share of Article 31 of the UNCRC – ‘Children have the right to join in a wide range of activities’.



## How Christmas Came to Be – Next Monday and Wednesday



Final rehearsals are well underway and we look forward to welcoming you to the show next week. There are a handful of tickets left for a couple of the performances so just let us know if you would like to come along and haven't got tickets yet. Just a further reminder that in order to put on the evening shows, we do need **all children** to come back to school to perform on both evenings. Parents are welcome to wait in classrooms with the children if they are not watching the show. Thank you for your support in this.

### Party food

We are always very grateful and well supported by parents sending ample food for the party tea but we hope by giving an indication of what could be brought in to school we would ensure a good spread of delicacies. Thank you for your support.

Could I ask that **small** contributions of food for the party are given as highlighted in the following list.

Sandwiches,      Crisps/Snacks,      Sausage Rolls,      Cakes,      Pizza slices,  
Biscuits,      Hot dogs on sticks,      Quiche/Pies,      Cheese/Pineapple/pickled onions on sticks,

Parents of **Infant** children are welcome into school at **1 p.m.** to help dress their children if they wish. (Please don't arrive earlier as we need to ensure we are clear as to supervision and where children are in school). Don't worry though, staff will always be available to help the children if you are unable to make it and are more than happy to do so. Junior children are able to change themselves or of course, all children are welcome to wear their party clothes all day (as long as they will still be warm enough at playtimes). Again, staff are always on hand to help with any fiddly bits!

Parents are welcome into the school hall at 3 p.m. just in case we have a special visitor with gifts for the children. The Nursery and Reception class party will also be in the school hall this year, with a special visitor at 3pm too.



### Carols in the Market Place Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December



Don't forget next Friday we will be singing our carols in the Town Hall gardens. Please join us to give the children your support. The infants will aim to sing at 9.45am and then the juniors will aim to arrive at the market place to sing at 10.00am. Y6 will go on to sing for the residents of Tenlands when they have finished in the market place and Y5 will sing to the residents of Denehurst

### Carols on the School Field and Fairtrade refreshments 2.45pm

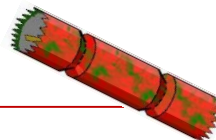
We will also all sing the carols together on our school field on the Friday afternoon. The singing will begin at 2.45pm.



### School Christmas lunch and jumper day! Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December

We will all enjoy Christmas lunch together next Friday, with crackers, paper hats and of course, turkey and all the trimmings. Even children who normally bring a packed lunch are encouraged to join us for the special day – and almost everyone does. The cost is the normal lunch price of just £2.05. We will have drinks provided too. Please pay dinner money as normal, or if your child usually has a packed lunch, please just send in the £2.05 on Monday 10<sup>th</sup>

Children are encouraged to wear a **Christmas jumper** on this day too.....and it's definitely a requirement for staff if they want their lunch!



### Christmas Crafts

Thank you to everyone who came along and took part. The children loved it – and I'm sure many of the grown-ups got into the Christmas spirit too!



### Away in a Manger

Reception Class and Nursery performances this year are on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am and on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 2.00pm.

Tickets are on sale now for what will be a delightful Christmas tradition – it just wouldn't be the same without a school nativity!



### Parking around school

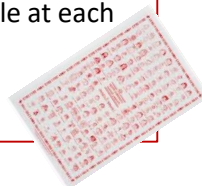
Can I thank the large majority of parents who recognise the need to be respectful and courteous to our neighbours around school when parking their cars to drop off and collect children. Unfortunately, there have been a number of occasions recently when cars have been parked blocking driveways and on pathways, which make it difficult for residents and pedestrians to pass by. Please help us teach our children to be respectful and considerate members of our community by setting a good example to them ourselves.

Our PCSO Louise and her colleagues are supporting us and local residents to ensure our school area remains safe for everyone.



### Friends of School – 2018 School tea-towels still available

Great presents for grandparents at Christmas, our tea towels are still available. They will be on sale at each of our concerts and are also available from the school office at a bargain price of just £3.50.



### Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Toy Day

One of the most eagerly awaited days that the children look forward to in our school calendar but not surprisingly, not the staff's favourite day! Children are welcome to bring in a toy for the last day, but please nothing of high value or that has lots of little parts that can be lost. Thanks.