



CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

With a busy half term underway and Christmas celebration to look forward to, we thought that we would outline the upcoming events and dates both in and outside of school so that families can enjoy festivities with one another and in our local community. We continue to focus on giving back to our community through the work that we do.

Pantomime time – Oh yes it is!

We are thrilled to secure Christmas theatre opportunities again for all of our pupils. Our reception and Key Stage 1 pupils will be enjoying live theatre within our school hall during the school day on **1st December**. Our Key Stage 2 pupils venture further afield to enjoy a festive show with our partnership school families. Please do contact the office for any further information regarding booking, timings or queries you may have.

Friday 1st December – KS1 Year R, 1 & 2 in the school hall

Tuesday 12th December - KS2 Year 5 & 6 at the Mayflower

Thursday 14th December - KS2 Year 3 & 4 at the Mayflower

Phase Christmas celebrations

Children will be performing, singing and sharing some of their work outcomes from this half term. Due to hall space restrictions, a maximum of two adults per child can be accommodated at these events and no ticket will be required. Children will be sharing work outcomes in classrooms following performances.

Monday 11th December – Years 4,5 & 6 - 9am (hall)

Years 1, 2 & 3 - 2.15pm (hall)

Tuesday 12th December - Year R 2.30pm (in base)



Please can I remind you that photographs and videos are not allowed at these events. A souvenir class photo will be provided for parents. Please let your child's class teacher know if you do NOT wish your child to be included in these.

Christmas lunch and PTA disco

We are incredibly excited that our PTA will be hosting a fabulous Christmas celebration disco this year as a celebration of all our successes from last academic year! We invite children to bring in 'disco clothes' in a named bag for their peg. Children will have the opportunity to get changed and enjoy the disco with staff and PTA at the end of the school day on Wednesday 13th December. The disco will run from 3.30pm - 4.15pm and children can be collected from school at 4.30pm from their classrooms



Smart Money
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as normal, further details to follow. We all look forward to our annual Christmas lunch festivities; our kitchen staff really do prepare a delicious meal for us all to enjoy together. **Please pre-order (Turkey or Vegetarian) via the office for your child.**

Christmas jumper day

We thank you in advance for your donations towards our charity efforts. This year we would like to kindly request tinned food donations that will be donated to those in need at this time of year. This negates the needs for the usual £1 donation on Christmas jumper/ non uniform days (**Friday 15th December**). We look forward to our Christmas lunch festivities where all adorn our Christmas jumpers! We look forward to seeing such a variety on show!

We are all really excited in the run up to Christmas and hope that you and our children will enjoy all of our events at this festive time of year.

Choir at Christmas

This year our Choir will be visiting Belmore Lodge on Tuesday 21st November to celebrate their 20 year anniversary with them. We are so pleased to have been requested to attend a special occasion for all residents. Our children will also be singing at the Belmore Lodge and Waitrose on 5th December. Please feel free to join us at Waitrose (**5.30pm to 6pm**) and support our children singing whilst you gather festive supplies!

Christmas Wrap room

Our generous PTA have been busy organising and preparing for upcoming events for this half term and beginning to look ahead into Spring! We are excited to host the PTA Christmas wrap room on Tuesday 5th December. Please ensure you have returned any slips by Friday 1st December, in order to secure a top secret wrapping opportunity for your child.

Oakhaven Hospice

Our children will be busy creating Christmas cards for the residents of Oakhaven Hospice. Any scrapbook, patterned card, spare offcuts of Christmas paper etc would be greatly received and can be donated to your child's class teacher.

Church carols

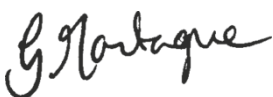
We are looking forward to Christmas Carols at Lymington Church as a school family on Thursday 7th December. We kindly request that the end of day collection for **all** children will be at Lymington Church at 3.15pm.

Thank you

Thank you all for the shoe boxes for the Rotary club. We are pleased to have donated 29 boxes. We know the Rotary Club are very grateful and we know that these will make a big difference to the lives of the children who receive them.

It has been a fantastic autumn term and, as always, the children have been wonderful! I thank you again for your ongoing support. I do hope you have a lovely Christmas and New Year with families and friends.

Yours sincerely



Mrs Montague
Executive Headteacher