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Dear Parents

Welcome to December, the month of merriment and mayhem!

Next week we start our performances for Christmas and I just wanted to remind you again of a few dates and times. In the diary dates it says that we have a 5pm performance for KS1 on Monday 15th, this is not the case. There is only a 2pm performance on that day which we informed you of in my letter dated 14th November but has caused some confusion; sorry about that.

Photographs at school performances

Please be aware that as a school we currently still allow the taking of photographs at school events. We feel that this is a very important part of your child's development and a special thing to share with close friends and relatives. We do however have children in school who do not have photographic permission for many reasons and we ask that you respect this. If you are taking photographs please:

- take only your child
- do not publish any school event photographs on social media sites if they contain images of children who are not yours.

Help us to make sure that our school and parents can continue to take photographs by being responsible.

Dates for your Diary

- Monday 8th December: 6:00pm Millennium Choir Christmas Concert
- Thursday 11th December: 6:00pm Concert in Church
- Friday 12th December : 5:30pm GBSA Children's Disco
- Monday 15th December: 2:00pm KS1 Performance – this performance is for parents of year 1 and year 2 only. There is no need for tickets and we do not need to know how many people are attending. Simply come along and enjoy!
- Tuesday 16th December: 5:00pm KS1 Performance - this performance is for parents of year 1 and year 2 only. There is no need for tickets and we do not need to know how many people are attending. Simply come along and enjoy!



- Wednesday 17th December:** 9:30am Reception and KS1 Jack and the Beanstalk Panto – please let us know in the office if you would like to come and watch the panto with your child if they are in reception, year 1 or year 2
- 11:45am - 1:00pm Christmas Party Lunch - no hot dinners or packed lunches on this day. We will shortly ask you to provide a food item for the party.
- 1:30pm KS2 years 3/4/5/6 Jack and the Beanstalk Panto
- Thursday 18th December** 12:00pm Christmas Dinner – you **MUST** order this in sufficient time from Sue Brady. **EVEN IF YOUR CHILD IS IN YEAR R / 1 / 2.** This must be done on line and please make sure that you have placed the order. We are having too many children without dinners ordered lately. Your child can of course bring a packed lunch on this day but most of the children do have a hot dinner.
- Friday 19th December** 2:00pm Church Service with the Nativity Tableau formed by the Reception children. The retiring collection will be for the *Maisie Gibbins Star tribute Fund*.

Can you please note: ALL children **MUST** be picked up at **3pm** from the church on the last day of term. It is very distressing for children when you are late. **There will be no mini bus runs on the last day at 3pm.**

Thank you for your support in providing costumes and support with learning of lines and songs.

Road Closures

We have been notified of several road closures around the village over the next couple of weeks. Although most of the closures will take place throughout the night, we are concerned about the impact it may have on some of the evening performances. All we can do is raise your awareness and ask you to be vigilant about dropping off and picking up times. Some of you may have a longer journey than normal to consider during these closures. We have put up maps of the closures on the board outside the school office if you want to check.

Christmas tree

You will notice that our Christmas tree is now up in the library area of school. It was kindly donated this year by **Jane & Trevor Elliman of Willis Farm, Vernham Dean, SP11 0LL. Tel:01264731202 or 07759583631** <http://www.spanglefish.com/ellimanenterprises/willisfarmchristmastrees.asp> and we would like to say a very big thank you to them.

Enjoy any celebrations you have planned over the next few weeks and enjoy the magic of the school productions, these years go by so fast!

Kim Spencer
Headteacher