



Churchfields Infants' School, Nursery Unit and Language Facility

NEWSLETTER

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Christmas Concerts

Dear Parents and Carers

We have now organised the dates for the Christmas performances as detailed opposite.

Some parents have approached me to ask why we cannot accommodate younger children at these times and I thought this would be a good opportunity to explain why, especially if this is your first year in school .

Firstly, those of you who have attended one of these occasions before know that as we have such supportive parents who want to see their children perform, it is very crowded in the hall. We can only fit a maximum of 2 adults from each family into the space so would not have any room for further younger siblings.

Secondly our children work hard towards these performances and feel very proud that they have given their best. If there is any noise or distractions from younger children who are being asked to sit still and quiet for over half an hour, then our children get distracted and they then feel disappointed that they have not performed to their best ability.

We always give lots of notice for these times so any arrangements you may have to make are well in advance. Also as a parent you are able to enjoy your child in school at these times without the distraction of having to look after a younger sibling. If any parents or carers bring a younger sibling on the day, then in fairness to other parents who have made arrangements, we will have to turn you away.

I have also been asked if we could film and then sell copies of the performances. Unfortunately this is not possible for many reasons including safeguarding of children and copyright. We could also not 'live stream' the performance into a classroom for parents with siblings to watch as we do not have a spare classroom, the technology or staff to be able to do this and this would still mean that as a parent you were not directly watching your child. I know that this is one aspect that the children really look forward to i.e. seeing you in the audience here in school.

I understand that this could be a challenge for some of you but many parents in the past have accommodated this request and I would be very grateful if you could continue to make such arrangements in the future.

As a parent myself I know that opportunities to see your child in school are limited and are, therefore, special times that are for the enjoyment of all.

Thank you for support in this and your continued support for the children in our school.

Many thanks

Lynn Platt

PTA CHRISTMAS FAYRE Saturday 2nd December 12-4 p.m.



Please come and support our school by attending the Christmas Fayre which will be located in the Junior School hall – there will lots of fun and games to be had, plus visits to see Father Christmas if you have booked!



EXTREME WEATHER



Now the colder weather is here, please ensure your child comes to school with warm named clothes, as they do still play outside at lunchtimes. If the snowy weather does arrive and your children wear boots to school, please remember they must bring their school shoes in a named carrier bag to change into. Please ensure the office has an up-to-date mobile number for you in case we need to issue emergency instructions and please check on Fronter for any closures due to bad weather.



SCHOOL MILK ORDERS

If your child would like milk for next term, please return the slip and £20.00 payment before 8th December. Orders for milk required for the Spring term will NOT be accepted after 8th December.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Many thanks to our Year 2 helpers who loaded the van with all the shoeboxes brought in to school (111 in total). These have now gone to be distributed to children around the world, most of whom live in the most difficult of circumstances.



CHRISTMAS CONCERTS



- 12 Dec - Y1 Octopus and Turtle 9.00 a.m.
- 12 Dec - Reception Hedgehog and Squirrel – 2.30 p.m.
- 13 Dec - Reception Ladybird and Butterfly – 2.30 p.m.
- 14 Dec - Y1 Starfish and Penguin 9.00 a.m.
- 15 Dec - Y2 Giraffe and Panda 9.00 a.m.
- 18 Dec - Y2 Koala and Jaguar 9.00 a.m.



Diary Dates



- 2 Dec - PTA – Xmas Fayre
- 21 Dec-1 Jan - CHRISTMAS BREAK
- 2 Jan - Back to School
- Feb 12 – 16 - HALF-TERM
- 19 Feb - Staff Training Day
- 30 Mar – 15 Apr - SPRING BREAK