



HAWRIDGE & CHOLESBURY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

OUR SCHOOL VALUES: RESPECT - UNDERSTANDING – PEACE – HONESTY – RESPONSIBILITY - TEAMWORK

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Dear Parents

As we are half way through November I thought it would be good to think about our school's 'Countdown to Christmas'. We would normally have the stage up in the hall and be practising for our KS1 Nativity. KS2 children would be practising Christmas carols and rehearsing in a local church and our special Christmas Card Post Box would be in prime position for the collection of all the Christmas cards!

So, this year it will obviously be a little different, but we are determined to make it good fun!

KS1 Nativity

We are planning to record each KS1 class creating their piece of the Nativity through poetry. This will then be edited and parents will be able to view this w/c 14th December. It promises to be great fun and exciting for the children to take part in.

KS2 Carol Service

Children will be practising in their bubbles outside and we will have a carol service outside (hopefully the weather will be good to us). Sadly, parents will not be able to attend in person, but we hope to record this as well so that parents can see it.

Christmas Party and Lunch

This will be taking place on Wednesday, 16th December in each class bubble. Children may come to school in their *party outfits*.

The school lunch for this day will be traditional roast turkey with the trimmings or vegetable wellington, ice cream and a Christmas shortbread, instead of the roast chicken or cheese and potato pie or jacket potato that is on the system. Therefore, if you book roast chicken you will get roast turkey dinner and if you book cheese and potato pie or jacket potato you will receive the vegetable wellington. If you have any queries, please speak to the office.

Christmas Decorations

Each class will be decorating their own classrooms with paper chains, snowflakes and other creative crafts. We are even thinking of having a competition for the most exciting Christmas classroom/door. We might even get the office to enter!!!

Christmas Cards

Again, each class will make their own post box to post Christmas cards in to their classmates. Unfortunately we will not be distributing cards around the school this year due to the separate bubbles. If children bring in cards on a Friday then they will be quarantined over the weekend and distributed on the Monday. The last day to bring in Christmas cards will be Friday, 11th December.

Christmas Jumper Day – Friday, 11th December

This is a national event and we are, of course, taking part! Children can wear a Christmas jumper or decorate a top with tinsel etc. It's a fun day, but we would also appreciate a donation for 'Save the Children'. The bucket will be at the alleyway for donations.

Keep an eye out for future Christmas information about a panto and a Pupil Music Concert!

Kind regards
Mrs Rosie Phillips
Headteacher