

Christmas at Myton Park Primary

The Christmas period is fast approaching and we have been putting together our programme of events for the children. I am sure you will all appreciate that with the ongoing pandemic and infection numbers as they are, this will continue to be different to previous years. I am very conscious that we are enjoying an extended period with all children in school consistently and do not want to jeopardise this with a Covid outbreak. Also, Christmas for families was so very different last year, I do not want to risk children, families or staff having to isolate over the Christmas period.

The children will have a range of activities, some of which you will be able to join us for.

Dates for your diaries:

Start of December

- Christmas trees will go up in school, with children creating a bauble of Christmas wishes to hang.

Friday 10th December

- Christmas Lunch in school and Christmas jumper day (Reception to Year 6—letter to follow)

Monday 13th December

- The Hub, Year 5 & 6 Christmas party
- Years 1, 2 & 3 carols on the playground from 2:45pm

Tuesday 14th December

- Nursery (pm and beginning of week children) and Reception Christmas party
- PM, Years 1,2,3,4,5, 6 & Hub to attend Christingle Service in church

Wednesday 15th December

- Nursery and Reception carols on the playground from 11:00am
Years 3 & 4 Christmas party

Thursday 16th December

- AM, Year 1, 2 , 3 and The Hub to visit Riverside College to see Elf
- AM, Nursery Christmas party (am and end of the week children)
- PM, Years 4, 5 & 6 visit Riverside College to see Elf
- Years 1 & 2 Christmas party
- Nursery and Reception carols on the playground from 2:45pm

Friday 17th December

- The Hub, Years 4, 5 & 6 Carols on the playground from 2:45pm

Where information about the above events if not included in this letter you will receive more details nearer the time. In addition, the children will complete crafts such as Christmas cards and calendars in the last week.

Carols on the Playground

The children in groups invite you to join them from 2.45pm (Nursery and Reception will be advised via a separate letter) to sing Christmas songs, carols on the playground. The PTA will be serving mulled wine and mice pies. The carols will finish at 3:15pm, the children will return to their classes ready for their usual dismissal arrangements at 3:20pm.

To ensure we keep this as covid secure as possible, please only attend the days when your child is singing. When your child is not singing please wait on the football/basket ball court until the children are back in school before moving to your usual home time collection area. I will send out a Microsoft form so we can gauge the number of people attending.

Christmas Parties

You will receive more information from your child's class teacher nearer the time. We will be asking for food donations this year but only those that are ready sealed from the supermarket. No split packets or homemade items please. Staff will then make up individual food bags for each child rather than children choosing from a buffet.

PTA Events

School benefits greatly from the work of the PTA and your ongoing support of these events. In the absence of a Christmas Fair this year, on behalf of the PTA, I would like to outline the events that are taking place this Christmas.

The Accumulator

Back by popular demand! Tickets will be on sale for this on the playground from Tuesday 8th November, please look out for the PTA members. You can also return the form on the attached sheet to purchase through school. For those of you new to school, The Accumulator is £1:00 per ticket and you can purchase as many tickets as you like. The proceeds are split 50/50 between school and the winning ticket! Winning tickets will be drawn on Wednesday 15th December and winners contacted.

Raffle

Normally, as part of the Christmas Fair the PTA raffle hampers and prizes. The PTA are organising this again this year. Attached are 5 strips of tickets, it is a £1:00 per strip. If you would like to take part, return one half of the ticket strips to school with the correct amount of money. Should you wish to purchase more than 5 strips, please indicate this on the return form and these will be sent home with your child. Winning tickets will be drawn on Wednesday 15th December and winners contacted.

It is the generosity of parents, grandparents and carers that make this event so successful with your donations for raffle prizes. This year we are asking for donations of food (please check use by dates), drink and toiletries. Please send any prize donations into school before Friday 3rd December to enable the hampers to be made up.

Christmas Treats

As a treat for Christmas the PTA will be selling bags of sweets on the yard on Tuesday 14th December at home time, these will be £1:00 per bag.