

# Bitterne Park Primary School

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Christmas celebrations – 2023

#### **Dear Parents**

With a busy half term underway and Christmas celebrations 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 EYFS and Key Stage 1 children will be enjoying live theatre within our school hall during the school day on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December.

Our Key Stage 2 children will be visiting the Mayflower Theatre to watch the annual pantomime, which this year is 'Snow White and the Seven Dwarves':

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December - Year 5 and 6 - Cinderella at the Mayflower Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December - Year 3 and 4 - Cinderella at the Mayflower

#### Phase Christmas celebrations & decorations

Children will be singing their favourite Christmas songs 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.

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 <u>NOT</u> wish your child to be included in these. All events will begin at 2.45pm and finish for the end of the day.

Monday 4th December - Year 6

Tuesday 5th December - Year 4

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December – Year 3

Thursday 7th December – Year R

Monday 11th December - Year 5

Thursday 14th December – Year 2

Friday 15th December – Year &







#### Discover the Music Year 3 and 4 Performances

Our children in Years 3 and 4 have been avidly learning new skills on their chosen instruments and would like to share their learning with you on the following dates:

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November – Year 3 Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December – Year 4

These events will begin at 3pm and finish for the end of the day.

## Christmas Lunch and Christmas jumper day

We all look forward to our annual Christmas lunch festivities on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Our kitchen staff really do prepare a delicious meal for us all to enjoy together. (*Ordering information for Christmas lunch will follow*.)

We have incorporated our Christmas jumper day fundraising efforts into the Christmas lunch festivities and thank you in advance for your donations for Save the Children. Your child can wear their Christmas jumper on this day.

### PTFA 'Elfridges'

Our generous PTFA 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 PTFA 'Elfridges event' during the week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> December. Please ensure you have accessed the website <a href="www.pta-events.co.uk/bpps">www.pta-events.co.uk/bpps</a> by 1st December, in order to secure a top secret wrapping opportunity for your child.

#### **Mayflower Court Care Home**

Some of our children will be busy creating Christmas cards for the residents of Mayflower Court Care home. Any scrapbook patterned card, spare offcuts of Christmas paper etc would be greatly received and can be donated via your child's class teacher by Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November.

## Non-school uniform day

The last day of term, Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December, will be a non-school uniform day, with a food collection in aid of Basics Food Bank.

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.

Yours sincerely

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Executive Headteacher