



## Dates for your Diary



- Thursday 1st December—Reception/KS1 Play—dress rehearsal  
Friday 2nd December—Years 1,2,3 Flu Immunisations  
Sunday 4th December—Christingle Service at Church 5pm  
Monday 5th December—Choir singing at Daisy Hays  
Monday 5th December— Reception/KS1 Christmas Play 6pm  
Tuesday 6th December—Nursery Nativity 11am  
Tuesday 6th December— Reception/KS1 Christmas Play 6pm  
Tuesday 6th December— Choir singing at Sainsbury's (time tbc)  
Wednesday 7th December— Reception/KS1 Christmas Play 2pm  
Thursday 8th December—Christmas Dinner  
Friday 9th December—Christmas Pantomime (in school)  
Monday 12th December—Christmas Party (Red/Orange)  
Monday 12th December—Christmas Party (Nursery am and pm)  
Tuesday 13th December—Christmas Party (Blue/Indigo Y3s)  
Wednesday 14th December—Christmas Party (Indigo Y4s /Violet)  
Thursday 15th December—Christmas Party (Yellow/Green)  
Thursday 15th December—Christmas Disco (6pm)  
Friday 16th December—Carol Concert (2pm)  
**SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR CHRISTMAS ON FRIDAY 16TH DECEMBER**  
Tuesday 3rd January—School opens for STAFF (INSET Day)  
Wednesday 4th January—School opens for CHILDREN  
Friday 20th January—Non-Uniform Day ( Chocolate Donations)  
Wednesday 25th January—Chocolate Bingo (6pm)

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OFFICE MONIES

The school office does not keep change on the premises.

Please bring the correct money to pay for dinners, fruit and milk and other items.

Please pay for Kids Club in the Kids Club office. Alternatively money for Kids Club can be left in a labelled envelope in the school office.



**Save the Children**  
**CHRISTMAS**  
**JUMPER DAY**

## Carol Concert

Tickets will be available from the office for the Carol Concert. They will be free, but limited to one per family in the first instance. Any remaining tickets will be generally available next week.

PLEASE understand that entry will be by ticket only, due to high demand and strict fire regulations.



## CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY.

**On Friday 16th December we're inviting the children to take part in a Christmas Jumper Day in aid of national *and local* charities.**

Your children get to wear non-uniform, but also get to wear their silliest, sparkliest or cosiest Christmas sweaters. In return, we would appreciate food donations for our Local Food Bank, or monetary donations for 'Save the Children'.

As it is Christmas, food donations to the Leek Food Bank could also include Christmas food items, such a selection boxes, Christmas puddings etc., in addition to normal tins and packets of food. Donations received will go to support local families this Christmas.

Any monetary donations will be sent to the 'Save the Children' Christmas Jumper Day Appeal.

The children don't need to splash out on a snazzy sweater to take part – just get them to decorate an old or plain jumper with tinsel, baubles or home-made snowflakes, or wear a sparkly jumper or just a cosy jumper.

As it is the Carol Service in the afternoon, we would also like to invite parents to take part, and come to the carol service in a similar jumper. We will be collecting all donations on the door.

It is getting extremely hard to accommodate all parents at school events. Our fire safety regulations strictly limit our audience numbers to and we are not allowed to go over this number under any circumstances. For the Christmas and Summer plays, we do try our best to put on extra performances where possible, and also try to make arrangements to ensure all families get some tickets, by limiting numbers of tickets that can be purchased, before putting them on general sale. We cannot, however, do this will all events as the impact on loss of curriculum time is too great.

Over the summer, we invited parents to complete a survey to express their ideas at how we can best organise events fairly in the future. As you can imagine, responses were varied. However, we have looked carefully at the feedback, and used it to help us to plan our future events.

### Main Points from Feedback Received.

- You like receiving text reminders and letters for events. As a result, events that require more detailed replies, e.g. Christmas Plays, will have letters sent out. However we will inform parents of other events, such as the carol concert by text/social media.
- Over three quarters of you think that we manage productions in the best way possible—by limiting tickets to try to ensure as many families as possible can watch. We will continue to do this.
- Parents were overwhelmingly happy to give permission for photos/videos of their children to be on social media, to allow them to see events if they cannot be there in person. Since the summer we have updated our permissions, and we will start adding photos/videos of events.  
***We will not put your child's image onto social media if you have not given permission for us to do so.***
- You wanted advanced notice of major events. We have added events onto our online school calendar. Events are added at least at the start of each term, and at the start of the year if possible, so that working parents can book time off.
- You were very split on how to organise some events—**some parents wanted 'split' events for younger and older children, some felt that it was important to keep the 'school family' as a priority, and that the children being together was more important.** Therefore, we will continue to keep the children together, but have approached the Church to hold an additional event each year to ease the pressure on our most popular events.

We will make parents aware that tickets will be available by text. We will ONLY admit parents with a ticket. We will not be able to admit parents who arrive without a ticket.

*You can help us by:*

- *Making sure that we have your up to date mobile number*
- *Letting us know which mobile number you would like texts to be sent to (we only send to one number)*
- *Requesting tickets by the date given*
- *Understanding that whilst we would like to give multiple tickets per family, it may not be possible if the event is popular*
- *Not arriving too early for afternoon events, to allow us to set the hall up after dinnertime.*

## SCHOOL DINNERS

Please remember that CHARTWELL Catering services require school dinners to be paid for in advance. We cannot provide school dinners if they have not been paid for. Parents can pay daily, weekly, half termly or termly for school dinners. The School Menu is available in the school office. If you would like your child to have a school packed lunch, please order one in the school office on arrival to school.

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## General Notices

- ⇒ PLEASE DO NOT DRIVE ONTO SCHOOL PREMISES, EVEN WHEN PICKING UP FROM AFTER SCHOOL CLUB.
- ⇒ PLEASE CAN YOU CHECK ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING ARE LABELLED, INCLUDING WINTER COATS.
- ⇒ OUR CHILDREN GO OUTSIDE DURING WINTER MONTHS WHEREVER POSSIBLE. PLEASE CAN YOU ENSURE YOUR CHILD HAS A WARM, WINTER COAT (AND HATS AND GLOVES IF NEEDED).
- ⇒ THE CHILDREN WILL BE DECORATING OUR CHRISTMAS TREE ON FRIDAY 2ND DECEMBER. WATCH OUT FOR THE FACEBOOK PHOTOS!

## FRUIT AND MILK

Fruit and milk is not be offered weekly or daily. If your child would like fruit and milk, please pay for the half term, term or whole year.

KS1 - £3 per half term

KS2—£6 per half term