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Dear Parents and Carers,

Early Years, Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Performances

We are delighted to welcome Parents and Carers into school for our Christmas celebrations. Each year group will be preparing and performing their own separate performance to their Parents and Carers, making this more personal for the children and their families.

As well as making this more personal for our community, having one-year group and a smaller audience at each performance will ensure that we comply with our Health and Safety regulations and are able to keep everyone safe. To keep all performers, staff and audience members safe, we must not exceed maximum capacity and therefore each year group will be performing on separate days. We will allocate **two** tickets per family only for each year group performance. The performances for each year group will take place on the following days and times:

<u>Early Years: Each class will perform a song and sing a song together – the performance will last approximately 15 minutes</u>

Tuesday 10th December, 9.30am – EYSG Parents/Carers invited to watch Thursday 12th December, 2.30pm – EYKS Parents/Carers invited to watch

<u>Year 1: the children will be performing a Christmas story using Baarmy Bethlehem – the performance will last approximately 30 minutes.</u>

Wednesday 11^{th} December, 2.15 pm-1 MS Parents/Carers invited to watch Thursday 12^{th} December, 9.30 am-1 GS Parents/Carers invited to watch

<u>Year 2: The children will be performing Baarmy Bethlehem – the performance will last approximately 45 minutes.</u>

Tuesday 10th December, 2.00pm – 2BG Parents/Carers invited to watch Wednesday 11th December 9.30am – 2LS Parents/Carers invited to watch

Ticketing

We understand that as parents/carers, you may find this frustrating; however, we are unable to offer more than this number or increase the number of performances. We apologise for any inconvenience or disappointment this may cause and do hope you understand we have to put safety first.

To ensure it is fair and equitable for all children and families; we have made the decision to allocate the days for each class. Please note the following viewing day for your child's class/s.

You ticket allocation will be issued in paper form, sent home by Friday 6th December.



Having looked into different options for allocating tickets, one including using the FLC booking system, which would cost approximately £300 to extend the school license to allow for this, we feel that an allocation of day is the fairest option. This also removes the reliance on a member of staff allocating tickets whilst ensuring we stay within our maximum capacity in line with our Health and Safety regulations. Please note that this is calculated with the stage erected and chairs arranged with an aisle.

What If I have children in two different year groups?

You will receive two tickets for each of the allocated days.

Will older siblings get to see the performances?

Any older siblings in school will be given the opportunity to watch the performance at one of the dress rehearsals and we will ensure that they get to see their younger sibling.

Any younger siblings that you wish to bring would need to use one of the tickets allocated to your child/family.

What do I do if I only want to use 1 ticket?

In interest of fairness, we ask that if any family are not using both tickets, return the spare ticket to school rather than being passed on. This ensures that all families have the same number of tickets.

What if I cannot attend on my allocated day?

If you are not able to attend on your allocated day, in the first instance, we suggest speaking to a family in the other class to arrange a swap of tickets.

What if no one is able to swap with me?

If it is not possible to swap, please make contact with the school office via email and we will discuss this with you directly. Please note that we will always do our best to accommodate your request but as stated above, we have a maximum capacity for the hall, which we are not able to exceed in order to keep everyone safe.

We would like to thank you for your ongoing support, helping the children prepare over the coming weeks with learning lines and songs as well as arranging costumes. We are very much looking forward to sharing the performances with you and know that you will feel as proud as we do of the children!

Kind regards,

Key Stage 1 Team

