

# December

#### Important dates

Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas.

As we fast approach the festive season, I would like to thank all our families for their support throughout a very successful first term.

It has been a busy one and we look forward to the New Year.

Wednesday 20th
December—
Carol Service
1:30pm

Friday 22nd December -

Last day of term. School closes at 12 noon.

Thursday 4th January -New term

begins.



#### Children Performances and craft

Thank you to everyone who bought tickets for the Year 1—4 performances or purchased their

child's craft. This money will go directly back to the children to purchase essential

resources for the classroom.
Following feedback from concerned

parents, we have

listened and will review the charges especially in December. Page 2 December

#### Parent Teacher Survey Results

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the parent teacher survey. Your feed back is very much appreciated and will help us to refine the parent teacher meetings in the future. 60% of respondents believed that October was an appropriate time to meet with teachers.

The remaining 40% would like a meeting in February. Unfortunately due to ongoing industrial action there will not be another meeting this year, but please remember if you have a concern you can make an appointment with the teacher at any time. If school has a concern they

will of course be in touch.

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#### Parent Teacher Survey Results

95% of respondents agreed or strongly agreed they were informed about;

- Progress
- Learning in class
- Wellbeing and behavior

Where parents left

comments, they were very positive and constructive. I have liaised with those parents who included their name in the feedback.

We really appreciate the feedback and hope it will

improve meetings in the future.

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### Supper with Santa—PTA Fundraiser

What a brilliant evening we had at our Supper with Santa!

Thank you to everyone who supported the PTA.

We had very generous donations to our raffle. And as always, the parents

supported the evening in lots of different ways—donations, baking and especially showing up on the evening.

PTA have been working hard all year raising funds for the outdoor learning

environment and specifically for fence to ensure the area is safe for everyone

to use.

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#### Coffee and Carols—Wednesday 20th December—1:30pm

Our Coffee and Carols afternoon will take place on Wednesday. Parents of children in Years 5-7 are welcome to join us.

Choir should wear their white shirts and ties, all other children, school uniform, white polo shirt

and black shoes.

During this event we usually have a collection for a local charity, and this year we have chosen Foyle Food Bank.
Voluntary donations can be made on the day, or

anyone wishing to

donate via the school money app can do so from this afternoon.



#### Christmas Dinner



A big thank you to the canteen staff who provided a lovely Christmas dinner last week. Staff and children really enjoyed it!

#### Car park

Our carpark seems to be getting busier everyday. With safety and courtesy in mind, please be thoughtful about where you park your car especially in the

afternoon.

Last week a number of worry incidents were reported.

We hope to have our crossing patrol (Lawrence) back as soon

as possible, but please be patient while we finialise the arrangements.



## Open Night

Our Open Night for prospective new families is Tuesday 9th January, 6pm—7:30pm.

If you have a child, or know someone who has a child, due to start Year 1 or Nursery School in September 2024, please come along for a look around.

#### Friday 22nd December

School will finish at 12 noon on Friday 22nd December.

There are no dinners on Friday. Breakfast club will be available from 8am as usual, children should bring their breakfast/snack as

there are no catering facilities.

Children are
welcome to wear
their own clothes
on Friday—
Christmas jumpers

if they wish.



We would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Peaceful New Year!