

St Bartholomew's CE Primary School

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Dear Parents/carers,

Performances

Next week sees the start of the very welcome return of Christmas performances in the church after 3 years — we cannot wait! Your child will be bringing home 3 tickets for their performance tonight. Due to fire and health and safety regulations, we are unable to admit any more than the allocated tickets and all audience members (including children) will require a ticket to be admitted. If you do not require any of your tickets, we kindly ask you return any spares to the school so that these can be reallocated on a first come, first served basis. Please indicate on the slip received with the tickets if you would like any extras should they become available. PLEASE NOTE THAT FOR ALL EVENING PERFORMANCES THE CHURCH DOORS WILL NOT OPEN BEFORE 5.30PM. Please bear this in mind when deciding what time to start queuing, especially in the event of bad weather. At each performance we will be selling raffle tickets at £1 per strip to raise money for school funds.

Croft Residential Home

We have partnered with The Croft Residential Home in Finchfield; we will be taking small groups of pupils each week to take part in activities with the residents (singing, musicians, reading, playing board games etc). We are limited to small groups and will notify you individually for permission when it is your child's turn to visit. This is an exciting and mutually beneficial partnership that we are really looking forward to establishing for many years to come.

Parties

Class Christmas parties will be taking place over the next two weeks. Your child's teacher will notify you via Class Dojo as to when your child's will take place. School provide everything required and so all children need is to turn up in their party clothes!

Pantomime

Years 1 -6 will be going to Wolverhampton Grand Theatre to see their performance of Aladdin next Friday (9th December). The performance starts at 11am and we will return to school in time for home time. Please could all children bring a packed lunch (no cans or fizzy drinks) which will be eaten during the interval. If you would like the kitchen to provide a packed lunch, please notify the school office by Monday 5th December.

School Christmas Meal

The school Christmas meal will take place on Wednesday 14th December. All children (whether they are having a Christmas meal or not) can wear a Christmas jumper with their school uniform on this day. A £1 **voluntary** donation will be collected in classes and donated to Save The Children.

Parking

I have recently received many emails, phone calls and photographs from residents and commuters regarding parking at school drop off and collection times. These will always be very busy times of the day, but please can I remind everyone that they should be parking safely and legally. This



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means that driveways of residents should **never** be blocked, there should be access for vehicles to be able to drive up and down Sedgley Road and cars should not be parking on pavements. The latter often means that pedestrians, especially those with pushchairs or in wheelchairs, are forced to enter the road as the footpath is not accessible. If you drive to school and cannot park safely or legally, please park a little further away from school. Photographs of illegally parked cars can be sent to the council who may take action, including issuing fines, if they receive evidence of this nature.

Well, there is certainly a lot happening in this exciting run up to Christmas and it is wonderful that we can have our full schedule of events on again this year. I look forward to seeing many of you over the coming weeks.

Yours sincerely

Rachael Kilmister Headteacher