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Dear Parent

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

School will close next Friday 21 December at 1.30pm for the Christmas holidays and reopen on Monday 7 January 2019 at 8.45am.



CAROL SERVICE AT ST SILAS CHURCH

All parents and friends are invited to join us at St Silas Church for our Carol Service, next Friday at 10.30am.

PARENTPAY & ONLINE LUNCH ORDERING

Please can we remind parents that they have just before midnight **TONIGHT** to order their child's lunches for next week. We still had 27 children who didn't receive their first choice this week as parents forgot to book. Please note from the New Year, if a parent has not booked their child lunches for the following week, they will have to provide them with a packed lunch. Menus from 7/1/19 until 15/2/19 will be available to view & book by the end of this week. Many thanks for your cooperation.

CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION COSTUMES – RECEPTION

Please can Reception classes borrow white leggings for their Nativity show, sizes 3/4, 5/6 and 7/8 years. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION COSTUMES – YEARS 3 AND 4

A reminder that all children in Years 3 and 4 need to bring in their costumes before Thursday. Angels will need white tights or leggings.

As part of their play, the children will have make up and/or glitter applied. If any parents have any objections, please let the class teacher know.

CHRISTMAS PLAYS & CONCERTS

The following Christmas productions will be taking place next week:

Monday 17 December	Year 2 & Reception Nativity at 2.00pm
Tuesday 18 December	Year 2 & Reception Nativity at 9.30am
Tuesday 18 December	Year 3 & 4 Play at 2.00pm
Wednesday 19 December	Year 3 & 4 Play at 9.30am

Please can we stress that for Health & Safety reasons admission will be by **ticket only which are available from the main office at a cost of £1.50.** Can we also remind everyone to be prompt and in their seats **10 minutes** before the start of the performance - latecomers **WILL NOT** be admitted. Parents with younger children are encouraged to attend the morning performances and all prams must be left in the front entrance of the space building. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISERS

The annual Christmas fundraisers will take place in the school hall after the afternoon performances next week. There will be lots of stalls, including the popular tombola.

There will also be the annual raffle, tickets costing £2 each or 3 for £5 – prizes include A Smart TV, Karaoke machine, Echo Dot, Digital Camera, Family Pantomime Tickets, Yaseen Vouchers, Heavenly Dessert Vouchers, Barton Grange Vouchers and much more.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

At this time of year many of our children very kindly send staff Christmas cards to wish us a Merry Christmas. As last year, we are proposing that rather than send cards the children can write their name or a message on a bauble which can be purchased for £1 and will be hung on the special tree in the main entrance, this will not only help with our charity but also the environment! Year 6 children will visit all classes every morning so that children can purchase the baubles. All proceeds will go to our nominated charity 'Nightsafe'. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH

Please note we will be having our Christmas lunch this Thursday. Thank you.

FULL GOVERNORS

There will be a meeting of the full governing body this Thursday at 5pm.

WHITE CHRISTMAS HEALTHY TEETH CAMPAIGN

Please support your child in brushing twice a day. Fill in the chart which was sent home last week and return back to school by next Monday for a chance to win a battery operated toothbrush. Please contact Miss Abdul at school if your child is not registered at school.

FESTIVAL OF LIGHT – LANTERN PARADE

All Year 3 children have been working with an art specialist in making lanterns for a parade which will be taking place in Blackburn Town Centre this Saturday 15 December. There will be a festival atmosphere in town on the day. All children will need to meet at the Bureau Centre for Arts on the corner of Victoria Street and Richmond Terrace between 4pm-5pm to collect their lanterns. All events are free and everyone is welcome to what will be fantastic parade culminating in a firework display at 6.50pm.

YEAR 1 TOPIC

As part of our topic on Festivals, we are learning about Christmas. As part of this, we are making a Christingle next Tuesday 18 December. Please can all children bring one large orange and possibly some halal sweets into school on Monday. Thank you.

PANTOMIME – SLEEPING BEAUTY

Please note the pantomime is next Wednesday 19 December - Can we remind parents that the children will not be back from the pantomime until approximately 4.15pm. Please ensure that your children have suitable outdoor clothing and adequate footwear on the day. Thank you.



YEAR 2 CAROL SINGING

Year 5 will be singing carols at Birchfield Care Home next Wednesday 19 December. Due to health and safety, only selected children will be allowed to go – children will be advised.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Thursday 20 December will be our Christmas party day and **non-uniform day** where children will have the opportunity to dress up in their favourite party/Eid clothes.

LIBRARY

Please can all library books and Top 100 books be handed into school by this Friday. Thank you.



NETBALL COMPETITION

There will be a netball competition at Witton Park High School this Wednesday 12 December. Children selected have received further details.



PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2019

If your child's 5th birthday is between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020 you need to make arrangements **NOW** for admission in September 2019. You must now apply using the online application at www.blackburn.gov.uk/admissions. The closing date for the applications is **15 January 2019**.

SCHOOL CLUBS

Please note we are making some changes to the sign up for school clubs next term. Please see below details and dates of what will be happening.



CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY PASSPORTS

All passports WILL be given back before the end of term. Please ensure your child brings this home before the holidays.

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY WINTER CHALLENGES

All Children's University members will receive of copy of the Winter Challenge's to complete over the holidays later this week. The more challenges they complete the more hours they can have for Children's University! Don't forget to bring they passport with evidence of the completed challenges to school in January.

CREDIT UNION

This is a non-profit organisation controlled by its own members and offers great rates of interest and low cost loans. A member of Credit Union is in school every Friday morning from 8.30am – 8.50am for anyone who wants to open an account and of course for existing members. Application forms are available to collect from the main office.

ESOL CLASSES

We are running ESOL classes in school on Monday afternoons, from 1.00pm-3.00pm, where you can learn English, improve your speaking, listening, reading and writing skills. However we do require a minimum of 6 parents for them to take place. Please inform Mrs Ghiwala if you are interested.

PARK AND STRIDE

We will be continuing with our Park and Stride on Friday mornings from 8.25am – 8.35am at Sacred Heart Church car park entrance on Preston New Road. Please register with Mrs Ghiwala in the school office by Thursday afternoon. Thank you.

STORY TIME, RHYME TIME AND CHATTY HANDS

Please note there will be no Story Time, Rhyme Time and Chatty Hands until after the Christmas holidays.

