

30th November 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Christmas Activities

We are pleased to share the following information with dates of Christmas activities happening across the schools. Please see the information below as there are dates and actions that parent/carers need to be aware of during the lead up to Christmas.

Cards

All children will have the opportunity to send Christmas cards to their friends in December. Children will need to bring their cards into school during the week commencing Monday 18th December until Thursday 21st December. Cards will be sorted and distributed to classes. Cards must have **names and classes clearly written** onto the envelopes before bringing to school. **Thursday 21st is the final day to bring cards into school.**

Parties/Film Afternoons

The party dates are listed below for each class/year group. We will again be asking parents/carers to provide a small donation of party food to bring on the day. Please pack up a small box with party type food for your own child to eat. This food will be additional to their lunch.

Please do NOT send in any products that contain nuts as some children in school have severe nut allergies. Thank you for your understanding. Children can wear party clothes on the day of their party. For some year groups this is taking place on Christmas Jumper Day.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Date</u>
Two year old provision	Classroom 5	Tuesday 19 th December and Thursday 21 st December
Nursery 3 and 4 year olds	Nursery Building	Tuesday 19 th December and Thursday 21 st December
Reception	Class 1 and Class 2	Friday 22 nd December PM
Key Stage 1	Class 7, Class 8 and Class 9	Friday 22 nd December PM
Key Stage 2	Y3 – BH and NT	Friday 22 nd December PM
	Y4 – AD and JS	Friday 22 nd December PM
	Y5 – SB/HB and MWB	Friday 22 nd December PM
	Y6 – TR and MH	Friday 22 nd December PM

Key Stage and Nursery Concerts

Key Stage 1 – Year 1 and 2 concerts will take place on 13th December at 10am and 2pm.

Foundation Stage - Nursery and Reception - will take place on 19th December at 10am and 21st December at 10am

Two year olds – Stay and play and sing along will take place on Wednesday 20th December at 9am-9.45am and 2.15pm – 3pm.

Christmas Service/Christingle - Deepcar St John's

This will take place on Thursday 21st December at 2pm at St John's Church on Manchester Road. Parents/carers attending the service will be able to take their child home from church, please note children will not have their going home things with them in church these will have to be collected from school.

Save the Children - Christmas Jumper Day

We will be taking part in the national 'Christmas Jumper Day' for Save the Children. On Friday 22nd December children can wear a Christmas jumper and donate a £1.00 via Parentpay.

Christmas School Dinner

Christmas dinner date for **Royd pupils is Thursday 21st December**. The cost for Nursery children is £2.00.

Pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to have this dinner free of charge as part of universal free school meals.

Christmas dinner at **Deepcar St John's is Wednesday 20th December**. The cost of a junior school dinner is £2.30 and can be paid via your child's Parentpay account. If your child is entitled to Free School Meals no payment is required.

Rocksteady Concerts

These concerts will take place on Thursday 21st December. Royd will be at 2pm and Deepcar St John's concert will be at 11am.

Choir - Community Engagement

The Royd choir will be performing at Belmont Nursing Home on 14th December after school. Parents/carers are to collect from the home rather than school.

Deepcar St John's choir will be performing at Belmont on the morning of the 14th December and also at the venue in Stocksbridge with the Waldershelf choir at 6.30pm on Tuesday 12th December.

Yours sincerely,



Executive Headteacher