

2nd December 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we begin our winter festivities, we wanted to let you know what we had in store for the children. Due to so many celebratory events being cancelled this year, we are thinking of as many alternative options as we can to bring cheer to all at this time of year. We hope you have enjoyed our festive start to the mornings with jingles and snow!

In the week commencing **14th December**, we have arranged for a virtual pantomime to be shown in school. Normally, KS1 would travel to York St John to see the students perform a play, but we have the fantastic story of Goldilocks and the three bears being shown instead. For KS2, we have the swashbuckling show of Treasure Island. We understand times are difficult at the moment, and are kindly asking for a donation of £1 if possible, that can be paid on parentpay to help cover the license fee for these viewings.

Also in this week, children will be holding Christmas parties in their classrooms for one afternoon. There is no need to supply any food. School will be arranging treats. Here, children will be able to dress up in any festive attire or own clothes to enjoy the day in.

- Team Willow **Thursday 17th December**
- Team Fir **Monday 14th December**
- Team Sycamore & Team Oak **Tuesday 15th December**
- Team Hazel & Team Beech **Wednesday 16th December**
- Team Maple, Team Elder & Team Hawthorn **Wednesday 16th December**

On **Wednesday 16th December**, Mrs Seymour and her elves will be frantically preparing a delicious Christmas treat for the children (details have been sent separately). Children may wear their Christmas jumpers if they wish however there is no need to buy one specially and we will not be asking for donations.

On **Thursday 17th December**, all children will be taking part in a virtual Christmas Music Extravaganza orchestrated by the very talented Mrs McCartney, where we will be sharing the children's talents of body percussion, signing and reciting.

Finally, and this is the big surprise so please do not share with the children, Father Christmas will be dropping by (virtually of course) with his own personal message for each class and delivering some goodies that have kindly been supplied by the Lakers.

It is sure to be a busy and merry period. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Best wishes

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