



# St Bartholomew's CE Primary School

8<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

## Christmas Performances

The EYFS/KS1 Christmas Performances will take place on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December at 6 pm and Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 2 pm. We ask that children return to school at 5.30 pm ready for a 6 pm start. The PTFA have kindly agreed to serve refreshments from 5.30 pm and donations of mince pies will be gratefully received. Funds raised will be donated to the Children's Society. Please remember to send your reply slip to the School Office requesting tickets for these performances. Due to the popularity of this event, entry will not be possible without a ticket due to fire regulations.

## Annual Pantomime Trip

The whole school will be going to the South Holland Centre to see Rapunzel on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December. If you haven't done so already, please send your voluntary contribution to cover the cost of the trip and your permission slip to the school office.

## Carol Service

On Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December there will be a Church Carol Service at 6 pm reminding us of the religious significance of this most important Christian festival. The children will be practising hard during this term with their reading, singing and instrument practise. We are hoping that it will, as last year, be a wonderful part of our Christmas festivities. Holding an evening service allows most families to attend, and friends and extended family are very welcome to join us too. We would be very grateful if pupils could wear their school uniform to the service and arrive for 5.45pm. (This event is always extremely popular so please arrive early to secure a seat!)

## PTFA Christmas Fair - Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December

The PTFA will be holding their Christmas Fair in the school hall at 2.45pm on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December.

## Whole School Christmas Lunch

Our caterers, Farm Kitchen, have offered to provide a traditional Christmas Lunch on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December at a cost of £2.40, which can be booked through [www.thefarmkitchen.com](http://www.thefarmkitchen.com) (of course if children prefer to have packed lunch on that day they can enjoy that with us too!). **Orders must be placed by Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 3pm.**

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## Christingle Service

The school are joining together with St Bartholomew's church to celebrate Christingle and to support their Christmas fundraising for the Children's Society. Your child will shortly be bringing home a Christingle fundraising candle. We would be very grateful if you could collect up any spare change you have around the house (perhaps in the bottom of handbags, under cushions, behind the sofa etc) and pop this into the candle which should be returned to school by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December. We will be joined by members of St Bartholomew's Church on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December to help us learn about the significance of Christingle and help the children make their own Christingle oranges. On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December there will be a Christingle Service at 9.30 am St Bartholomew's Church, parents and carers are welcome to attend.

## Class Christmas Party Day - Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December

Teachers will be organising class Christmas parties with their children. Each class will be devising their own approach to their Christmas celebrations and agreeing a menu for the party food they would like to enjoy. They will then agree on each child bringing in an item of party food on the day, so that together they can arrange and have the party and the party food they would most enjoy. This will be a wonderful conclusion to a very exciting and joyous Christmas term in school. If your child has any allergies please inform the class teacher and bring in their own named plate. **Please note Farm Kitchen will not be providing meals this day.**

## Severe Weather/Snow Closure

In the event of severe weather, we will always strive to ensure that the school remains open, but in the event that extreme weather conditions necessitate the closure of the school we will advise you of this in a number of ways. We will notify parents by text message, update the school website and advise Lincs FM and BBC Lincolnshire radio stations so listen out to their broadcasts or log onto their websites. We will also post a message on the school's Facebook and Twitter pages.

The last day of term is Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December and school reopens on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

Regards



Mr J Shawley  
Head Teacher

Term 3	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2020 to Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
Term 4	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2020 to Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2020
Term 5	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2020 to Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2020
Term 6	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2020 to Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2020