



December 2018

Dear Parents

Christmas Card Post Box

Post boxes are now available for the children to post Christmas cards to their friends. The post boxes are located in the walkway and there is a separate box for KS1 and a separate box for KS2. When addressing your Christmas cards, please include the child's full name and class to ensure our Year 6 monitors are able to deliver them correctly.

Reception/KS1 and Year 3/4 Christmas Productions

Class teachers are now issuing tickets for the Christmas productions. Please ensure you have returned your ticket request form; the children are allocated two tickets each.

Save The Children Christmas Jumper Day

On Friday 14 December we will be joining thousands of people up and down the country and starting our day by pulling on a Christmas jumper for a great cause – to help create a brighter future for children.

There will be buckets at the gate for your donations – if every pupil gave £1, we would raise an amazing £400+ for Save the Children!

Children are asked to wear their normal school uniform with a Christmas jumper instead of their sweatshirt/cardigan.

We look forward to seeing those bright, colourful and even sparkly Christmas jumpers!

Additionally, children may continue to wear their Christmas jumper, instead of their sweatshirt/cardigan, throughout the last week of term.

Salvation Army Gift Service

For many of us, Christmas is an exciting time, where we enjoy sharing and being reunited with family. However, we also know that for many families, Christmas can be a difficult time.

At Meopham, we are proud of our tradition of supporting the work carried out by the Salvation Army, who work closely with families in difficult circumstances. On Monday 17th December, we are thrilled that the brass band from the Salvation Army will be joining us for a Carol Service in school. It is our tradition to donate gifts for children of Primary school age at this service and we would be very grateful for any donations of gifts towards this very worthy cause. The gifts should be wrapped and labelled with the age and gender of the child that the gift is aimed at.

If you are able to support the gift service, please send in your donations on the morning of the **17th December** where they will be collected and placed under the tree.

Christmas Lunch

The kitchen are providing Christmas lunch on Tuesday 18th December, if your child would like to have lunch please let the kitchen know by Tuesday 11th December, either by:

For years KS2 - placing a booking via sQuid, posting a note and cash in the kitchen's post box (located within the office reception area) or asking your child to give a note and cash to their class teacher.

For Reception/KS1 – although Reception and KS1 children qualify for free school lunches, if your child would like a Christmas dinner can you please post a note in the kitchen's post box or ask your child to pass a note to their class teacher.

If your child normally has a packed lunch but would like a Christmas dinner can you also advise the kitchen of any allergies.

Also, for this special lunch, children can wear other Christmas accessories such as headwear in addition to wearing their Christmas jumper.

Regards

Academy Office