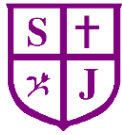


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20th November

Dear Parents/Carers

Christmas stars across Kirkby – bringing the community together at Christmas 2020

We are working with the Kirkby Collaborative of Schools and Tower Hill and Shevington Together group to bring the Kirkby community together. The idea is to encourage everyone in Kirkby to put up a Christmas symbol in their window with a Christmas message for the community.

By putting up a star in the window the idea is that everyone is thinking of all other members of the Kirkby community at Christmas – and the star is the symbol we are using to demonstrate that togetherness and unity at this difficult Christmas time.

Your children will be making a star in school during the remainder of this month – and they will bring the star home on Tuesday 1st December so they can all be put on the window together on the 1st to shine a light throughout the Christmas month. Members of the Kirkby community without school children can also create their own star. You may wish to share the message to embrace other members of the community and community groups.

We can also make some extra stars for people you know in Kirkby – please tell us if you know anyone who wants a star making and we will get to work.

Reminder - PE days

Please see below a list of the revised PE days for Y1 – Y6, during this day your child will need to come to school wearing their PE top, School Jumper/Cardigan, and Black/Navy or any dark coloured leggings or jogging bottoms. They will also need to wear trainers; they will wear this outfit all day.

Class	PE Day
Nursery	Friday
Reception	Wednesday
Y1	Wednesday
Y2	Tuesday
Y3	Monday
Y4	Monday
Y5	Tuesday
Y6	Thursday

Dinner Options for next week w/b 23rd November

Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thurs	Friday
Choice 1: Popcorn Chicken Crisscuts & Sweetcorn	Choice 1: Spaghetti Bolognaise	Choice 1: Crunchy chicken wrap with salad and coleslaw	Choice 1: Pork roast with roast potatoes, carrots, broccoli and gravy	Choice 1: Harry Ramsden's fish fillet with chips and peas
Choice 2: Jacket Potato	Choice 2: Jacket Potato	Choice 2: Jacket Potato	Choice 2: Jacket Potato	Choice 2: Jacket Potato
Choice 3: Sandwich	Choice 3: Sandwich	Choice 3: Sandwich	Choice 3: Sandwich	Choice 3: Sandwich

As you know for all of us Christmas will be very different this year, but we still want to make the Season of Advent memorable for the children. We have planned the following activities to make Christmas special for our children in school.



The Virtual Lakeland Lapland Festive Schools Challenge

This year we are taking on the Lakeland Lapland Schools Challenge. Every class must complete 234k (145 miles) in 12 days, which is the equivalent of running from the capital of Lapland) to the village where Santa lives. As part of their daily mile the children collectively complete 145 miles, on the final mile day the classteachers will ask the children to wear Santa hats, Elf hats, Christmas hairbands etc for a Santa dash type run. You will be informed of this date nearer to the time!

Christmas Parties

Class Christmas parties will take place on 17th December however we will be buying in the food / snacks and be asking for a donation of £1 per child nearer to the time.

Christmas Dinner

Will take place with current dinner timetable restrictions on Wednesday 16th December.

Mini Mobile Christmas Fayre

The Friends of St Joseph's are meeting to come up with a plan in which we can still do a mini in class Christmas Fayre for children during the final week of term – we will confirm this next week.

Christmas Cards

The children can bring in Christmas cards however they must be sent into school before Friday 11th December otherwise we will not be able to give them out.

Christmas Jumper day

To be held this year on 11th December for a small donation.

And finally we aren't able to do class performances this year; however we do plan share a little bit of Christmas magic with you via our website and twitter.

- We are blessed with our huge hall space which will allow every class to sing a couple of Christmas songs that we can send to parents to watch.
- If you do not want your child to be filmed for the website or twitter then you will need to inform us, we will send a letter nearer to the time – this will not stop them from being involved in the singing.
- Children can bring antlers/hats/hairbands etc to wear.
- Filming will take place on 14th, 15th, and 16th December to enable us to post before we finish on Friday 18th December at 1pm.

There will also be Christmas Bingo and Christmas movie afternoon!

Kind Regards
Mrs J Ryan
Headteacher