

Dear Parent / Carers,

### **Design and Technology Week**

This week the children have been spending their afternoons designing a range of different things, as we have celebrated Design and Technology week. In Year 1, the children looked at levers and sliders, as they made rockets. Year 2 designed hand puppets. In Year 3, they were exploring shell structures to make boxes. In Year 4, they were investigating mechanical systems to make moving objects using levers and linkages. In Year 5, they were looking at frame structures to build different homes. Finally, in Year 6, they looked at different fabrics to create clothing types. We will have pictures for the website very soon.

Well done to all of the children - they worked very hard and really enjoyed it all!

### **Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day**

Our Christmas lunch is on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December. If your child normally has packed lunches but would like a Christmas Lunch please contact the school office. We will also be celebrating Christmas Jumper Day on the 15<sup>th</sup> so please wear your favourite Christmas Jumper and bring in £1 to raise money for Save the Children.

### **Christmas Performances and COVID**

Next week we begin our performances for Christmas starting with Reception on Monday.

Reception Christmas Stories performance Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am

Year 1 Nativity Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am

Year 2 Christmas Around the World Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2.30pm

Year 3-6 Winter Concert (*1st showing*) Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am

Year 3-6 Winter Concert (*2nd showing*) Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2.00pm

Year 3-6 Winter Concert (*3rd showing*) Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am (Additional Performance)

All performances take place in the junior building. For morning performances once you have dropped your child off can you please make your way to the middle playground by the main gates. For afternoon performances please come to the main gate 15mins before the performance starts.

### **COVID Measures**

As I mentioned in last week's newsletter we are asking parents / carers to provide proof of being double vaccinated or a negative lateral flow test. Please can you make sure that you have these ready to show the member of staff as you enter the building. Those of you who are vaccinated may also want to do a lateral flow test before coming as we know that being vaccinated does not mean you can't catch COVID or transmit it. We are also asking all parents/carers to wear a face mask whilst inside the building.

### **Fire Safety Measures**

For fire safety reasons classes located on the top floor have to be kept empty so at the end of the performance our aim is to clear the hall as quickly as possible so these children can return to their classrooms. Your children will leave via the entrances near the stage and parents will be asked to leave through the same way they entered at the other end of the hall. Parents will have the opportunity to congratulate their children outside.

### **Key Stage 2 Performances**

We have had over 120 requests to watch the Key Stage 2 performance so we are going to host a third performance on the final day of term (Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December) at 9.30. Your child should be coming home with the slip which you handed in. If you have been selected for one of the performances on the 13<sup>th</sup> December then you will receive your slip with the school stamp. If you have not been selected for one of these performance you will be able to come on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December. Your slip will be marked with 17/12/2021 in black marker pen. Can you please make sure you bring your ticket with you to the performance. We have kept a record of who is attending which performance just in case you lose your ticket.

### **Haringey Early Years Commissioning Team Needs your Help!**

Haringey has a duty to ensure that there are enough childcare places within the borough. We are also keen to

understand how childcare needs have changed in light of COVID. Your views are important to us. You can help by completing a simple 6 minute childcare survey <https://forms.office.com/r/sFrzMV2cM5> The survey ends on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend

Jonathan Smith  
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