

# Nyewood CE Infant School

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## "SMILING, CARING AND LEARNING TOGETHER ON A JOURNEY WITH GOD"

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## **CHRISTMAS AT NYEWOOD**

#### Dear Parent/Carers

As we rapidly approach the festive period and look forward to all the excitement that the season has to offer, we thought it would be simpler to share our plans for our Christmas worships and festivities on one letter. Please take time to note the important dates and details below.

## **CHRISTMAS CARD POST BOX**

From Friday 1st December, our Red Post Box will be in the front lobby for posting Christmas cards between classes. If your child wishes to send cards to friends or staff within the school they must be in a <u>clearly labelled</u> envelope showing the receiving child's forename and first initial of their surname and class. Cards that are not labelled fully and clearly will not be delivered. Unfortunately, we are not able to provide name lists for data protection reasons.

## **CHRISTMAS WORSHIPS**

The children in each class will share the nativity story through song, dance and acting for their family members.

Class Christmas Worships are as follows:

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	9.20-10.00am	Chestnut Class
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	9.20-10.00am	Hazel Class
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	9.20-10.00am	Apple Class
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	9.20-10.00am	Sycamore Class
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	9.20-10.00am	Hawthorn Class
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	9.20-10.00am	Willow Class
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	9.20-10.00am	Cherry Class
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	9.20-10.00am	Holly Class

For health and safety reasons, we are only able to permit two adults per child to attend the class worships. Toddlers and babies will be allowed to sit on parent laps. All worships will be filmed and uploaded onto the school website for all to share (where photo permissions allow). We will advise you when this is available and how to access this. Due to fire regulations, pushchairs must be left outside; when leaving your pushchair please do not block access to the front doors or pavement. In the case of rain, we will provide a covered space.

## MINI CHRISTMAS FAIR FRIDAY 8th DECEMBER

Our Fundraising Committee are supporting the school to organise a mini fair for Christmas this year. On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December we would love you to join us between 3.30 and 4.45 where we will have a Christmas biscuit making, drinks and mince pies on sale, a bottle tombola as well as Christmas crafts for the children.

To support this event, we will have two non-uniform days. For our first non-uniform day on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November we would like parents to bring a bottle for the bottle tombola. On the second non-uniform day on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December we would like parents to bring gifts suitable for a hamper; this could include bottles, chocolate, toiletries or any other hamper gifts. A box for your donations will be in reception on these mornings.

If you are able to come into school to help make up the hampers during the day on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December please could you email the school office to let us know.

Thank you very much in advance for your support with this.

Tickets for the hamper draw will be available for sale on MCAS from Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November. We will draw tickets on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December at the fair at around 4.30pm so stick around to see if you're a winner!

#### SANTA'S GROTTO MONDAY 11th DECEMBER

We pleased to welcome back Father Christmas this year! He will be in school, in his grotto, on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December. The children will be able to visit the Grotto, meet Father Christmas and receive a gift. For children in school, staff will take them during the school day to visit Father Christmas and we will take a photograph to send home. We are also opening this up for siblings this year after school on these days for which we will allocate a time slot.

The Grotto will be being set up on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December. If you are able to support in the set up of this, please email the school office to confirm.

If you would like your child to visit Father Christmas in his grotto, the cost will be £4.50. The tickets for these can be purchased on MCAS from Wednesday  $15^{th}$  November. We will do our best to accommodate all children however places will be limited due to the timing so we will let you know if we have been unable to allocate your child a place.

### **CAROL SERVICE AT ST WILFRID'S CHURCH**

Our carol service will be held at St Wilfrid's Church on Thursday14<sup>th</sup> December at 4.30pm. Please bring your children along and join us for a service of Christmas song.

#### **CHRISTMAS WINTER WONDERLAND/LUNCH DAY**

Children will have Christmas lunch on Thursday  $14^{th}$  December. On this day the children will enjoy our festive lunch and many Christmas celebrations throughout the day. If you would like to order a Christmas lunch for your child, please remember to order online via Parent Pay by Thursday  $30^{th}$  November. Meals <u>cannot</u> be ordered after this date. If you have selected for your child not to have a Christmas lunch you can provide them with a packed lunch. We are asking everyone to wear a Christmas jumper and their own clothes and pay a donation of £1.00 to support the charity, Save the Children. If your child has PE on this day please send them in with their PE kit in a bag.

We hope that you are all looking forward to our exciting and joyful celebrations as much as we are.