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## Tilston Parochial CE Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

### Dates for December

As we begin one of the busiest months of the school year, here is a reminder of key events taking place in the weeks leading up to Christmas:

8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>Y5/6 Class Worship</b> 9.05 am <b>Christmas Fair</b> 6.00 pm (school)
10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Family <b>Christmas Tree Service</b> at St Mary's Church 4.00 pm
12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>EYFS/KS1 Nativity 'A King is Born'</b> <b>6.00 pm</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> performance (school)
13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>Years 1 to 6</b> visit to <b>New Vic Theatre</b> (due back in Tilston approx. 6.00 pm)
14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>EYFS/KS1 Nativity 'A King is Born'</b> <b>6.00 pm</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> performance (school)
17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>Carol Service</b> at St Mary's Church <b>6.30 pm</b> (school choir needed, please)
20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>Stay and Play</b> at Bluebell Nursery 10.00 – 11.30 am <b>Christmas Dinner</b> <b>KS2 Christingle Service</b> at St Mary's Church <b>6.30 pm</b> (all junior children)
21 <sup>st</sup> Dec	<b>EYFS</b> visit to <b>Imagine That!</b>
22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	Christmas Parties Break up for Christmas at 3.15 pm

### Parent Committee

Our Parent Committee is now in its third year and it provides a great forum for the 'Parent Voice' to be heard in school. We discuss current school issues and talking points; it's always good to hear what you think about what we do and how we can improve. Thanks to the parents who attended this week's meeting. There was much to discuss and those who came along provided the school with useful feedback regarding school photographs, lunches, sports events, uniform, homework and home-school communication. If you couldn't make the meeting, there are more planned for the rest of the year and it would be great to see even more of you coming along. I'm sure that Mrs Mort will be keen to see the committee develop further in the future. The next meeting on **Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> January** at **6.30 pm** would be a great way to get to know your new headteacher!

### Personal Development Goals

This week's personal development goal is **push yourself**. Well done to the following children who have demonstrated their ability to push past their fears and keep trying after a first attempt:

# Stars of the Week

<b>YR</b>	<b>Archie:</b> for pushing himself with his maths work
<b>Y1</b>	<b>Nathan:</b> for trying his hardest to write a recount
<b>Y2</b>	<b>Logan:</b> for working hard with Letters and Sounds
<b>Y3</b>	<b>Ruby:</b> for pushing herself to do her best in all areas
<b>Y4</b>	<b>Matilda:</b> for pushing herself to do her very best
<b>Y5</b>	<b>Georgie:</b> for pushing herself in writing to produce a wonderful diary entry
<b>Y6</b>	<b>Oliver C:</b> for pushing himself in maths, particularly arithmetic



## **EYFS and KS1 Nativity: 12<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> December at 6.00 pm**

Our EYFS and KS1 children are working very hard to prepare for their nativity, 'A King is Born'. For the first time, this will take place in school and there will be two evening performances; the first will be on Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> December and the second on Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> December. There will be **two** tickets available per child for **each** performance. Please ensure that you have requested tickets by completing and returning the slip at the end of this newsletter. Any spare tickets will be allocated to families who request extras and you can indicate this on the slip. We will need all the children to arrive **from 5.30 pm** (no earlier, please) for these evening performances. If you are bringing along your car, please park sensibly and be considerate of other road users and those living nearby. Thank you.

## **Lunch Menu for week beginning 4<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

Monday	Sausage, mash and vegetables or cheese and onion omelette with salad
Tuesday	Cottage pie and vegetables or jacket potato with cheese and beans
Wednesday	<b>award-winning roast dinner</b>
Thursday	Chicken curry with rice and naan bread or tuna and cheese hot baguette with salad
Friday	Cheese & tomato pizza, chips and vegetables or fish & chips and vegetables

## **Tilston School Association News: Christmas Fair**



The Christmas Fair is fast approaching and we want to thank you for your continued support. Please continue to bring in your jam jars filled to the value of £1 for our popular jam jar stall. The hamper lists are now up in the foyer so please put your name by any items you are willing to donate. We would also appreciate any donations of cakes (bought or homemade) for our cake stall which should be brought into school on Friday next week. Finally, if anyone feels they can donate a silent auction prize or can source one from someone else, please let us know. We look forward to seeing you all next Friday night, **TSA**



### Music for Life Tuition

The booking deadline for **new** courses to start after Christmas is Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> December. If your child is interested in trying a course of lessons in school, you can find out more and book online at [www.musicforlife.org.uk/apply-now](http://www.musicforlife.org.uk/apply-now). All new courses enjoy a 12-week 'taster' period, so when you book you are only committed to 12 lessons to see how things go. After that time, a report on progress will be sent and you can then decide to continue with lessons, cancel further lessons or change the course.



I look forward to seeing you at the **Christmas Fair** on **Friday** next week. The TSA and the school need your support!

I hope you all have a restful weekend.

Yours sincerely

*Richard Harley*

Mr R Harley



### A KING IS BORN: TICKET REQUEST

**Name of child/ren:** .....

**Year group/s:** Nursery Reception Year 1 Year 2 (please circle)

I would like to request the following tickets:

	<b>Number of tickets required</b> up to 2 per child	<b>Additional tickets</b> these will be allocated based on a first come first served basis
Tuesday, 12 <sup>th</sup> December 6.00 pm		
Thursday, 14 <sup>th</sup> December 6.00 pm		