

Dear Parents/Carers

This letter includes further details of our Christmas performances, parties, carol singing, Christmas lunch etc. Please retain this letter for future reference!!

PERFORMANCES

As many of you will remember, **babies, toddlers and younger children will not be admitted to any of the school performances.** Please would you make arrangements to baby sit for each other so that pupils taking part in the entertainment can be assured of quiet when delivering their lines. If any families have a real difficulty with organising child care then please contact Katy Luke (Cramlington East Children's centre manager) on 01670 739528 to discuss a possible crèche facility.

All performances will take place in the school hall.

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Tickets:

We would love as many of you to join us as possible. So that we have some idea of numbers and to ensure we are within safety regulations for the hall could you please complete the ticket request slip at the end of this letter and we will try our very best to accommodate your requests for tickets. *Remember babies, toddlers and younger children will not be admitted to any of the school performances.*

Refreshments:

Refreshments will be served before/after the Nursery/Reception performance and before/between the KS1 and KS2 performances on both days. We will also have the Scholastic book fair in school if you wish to browse and purchase any books (a separate letter/leaflet will have more details).

CHRISTMAS PARTIES

As in previous years we are asking for a <u>donation of £1.00 per pupil</u> to cover the cost of catering for the year group 'parties'. Each class teacher will make arrangements to collect the donations. Thanks in anticipation.

Party dates:

Class	Date	
Year 1 and Year 2	p.m. Monday 15 th December 2014	
Nursery and Reception	a.m. Wednesday 17 th December 2014	
Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6	Separate arrangements will be made in the week beginning 15 th December	

Party clothes for Nursery/Reception/Year 1/Year 2:

- For Nursery and Reception pupils your child can wear their party clothes to school that morning. I would just remind you that they will need a warm coat and suitable footwear/change of shoes for playtimes.
- For pupils in Year 1 and 2 your child **should come in uniform and bring their clothes to change into** in school on Monday 15th December.

CAROL SINGING

Our expertise in singing continues to be recognised and this year we are involved in carol singing at various venues in the community:

- Our KS2 singing club are taking part in the Cramlington 'Big Christmas Sing' on Friday 12th December from 4pm in 'the Street' at CLV (pupils involved have already received a letter about this)
- As part of their enterprise fundraising project, Year 6 pupils will be carol singing at 10am (approx.) at ASDA in Manor Walks on Thursday 4th December and in Sainsbury's on Monday 15th December
- Members of our 'KS2 Singing Club' will be Carol Singing in the Hartford Court Care Home on the morning of Wednesday 17th December

CHRISTMAS DINNER

This will be on **Tuesday 16th December 2014**. Details of the menu and cost of the meal, together with an order form have already been sent out. Please return your order and payment to school by Monday 8th December.

HOLLY AND IVY MUSIC CONCERT

As a special treat the pupils will be able to enjoy a live music concert led by 3 musicians in the hall during the afternoon of **Tuesday 16th December**. There will be no charge for this event.

CHRISTMAS CRIB SERVICE

Revd Steve has again invited us back for an Eastlea crib service at St Nicholas' church at **2pm on Wednesday 17th December**. The children will be walking to church that afternoon. If you want to come then you would be more than welcome!

CHRISTMAS GOLDEN DAY

A separate letter gives details of the end of term Golden Day which is planned for **Thursday 18th December**. Plans for the day were shared with the children this morning!!

As you can see there is a lot planned for the children. I am sure that just like any other Christmas at Eastlea it will be busy but very, very enjoyable. Please do take advantage of all the invitations to come and join us. We love to see you.

Yours sincerely *Miss* E Beeston, Head Teacher

Name of Pupil _____ Class _____

Please write the number of tickets you require in the box next to the performances you would like to attend

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N.B. A copy of this sheet will be returned to you as confirmation of your allocation of tickets.