



Dear Parents / Carers,



Christmas 'Golden Day' Theatre Royal visit

Today we have started the countdown to possibly our most popular Golden Day. We are delighted to be able to continue the Eastlea tradition and have tickets booked for all the pupils from Reception up to Year 6 to go and see panto stars Danny Adams, Clive Webb, Chris Hayward and Joe McElderry for the afternoon performance of '**Aladdin**' at the **Theatre Royal Newcastle** for our Christmas Golden Day on **Thursday 18th December 2025**. It is the 20th year for Danny, his dad and the team and this will no doubt ensure an even more spectacular show with plenty of special effects, surprises, laugh out loud comedy and probably some 'accidduuunts' as well!!

Nursery pupils will be having a separate Golden Day letter as we have a school-based activity planned for them that day.

Funds raised by the Friends of Eastlea including money from the Christmas Fair yesterday will help us to finance the day, so once again there is **NO CHARGE TO PARENTS/CARERS FOR THE THEATRE VISIT** – **both the pantomime tickets, refreshments and the coach transport are being provided free for all children who are taking part in 'Golden Day'** as their treat for trying hard with their behaviour during this half term. *Although the visit is free for the children I'm sure you will realise that it costs the school a **HUGE** amount of money both in terms of ticket costs (£13 per child) and transport into Newcastle (5 coaches at a cost of £1550), so if for any reason your child will be unable to make the event then it is vital that you let us know as soon as possible so that we do not have to fund 'empty seats'.*

Details of the visit:

- Date – Thursday 18th December 2025
- What to wear – **school uniform please** (so that our Eastlea children are clearly identifiable in a busy theatre) with the option of a Santa hat/festive headgear if they wish
- Leave school – 12.45pm (the pupils will all have lunch as usual in school before we leave)
- Start of matinée performance at the Theatre Royal – 2pm
- Arrive back at Eastlea – 5.15pm (APPROX). This will clearly depend on traffic on the return from Newcastle!

N.B. Please complete and return the reply slip below asap to indicate the arrangements for your child getting home that day. They will be dismissed from the school hall on our return from the Theatre. We MUST have a reply slip from each child if they are going to be taking part!

As with the previous 'Golden Days', attendance is dependent on each child following the Eastlea rules in school and at lunchtimes. We are hoping to include all children; however, for those who are struggling to follow the rules, we will contact parents to discuss how we will support your child to get them 'back on track' in terms of behaviour.

Yours sincerely

Miss E Beeston, Head Teacher

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Eastlea Primary – Christmas Golden Day Theatre Royal Pantomime visit 2025

Name of child:.....

Year:.....

When they return at approx 5.15pm: (please tick one box)

My child will be collected from school by.....

I give my child permission to walk/cycle home themselves

Signed:..... **Contact number:**