



Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2020.

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Christmas at Perry Hall 2020.

As always, we thank you for your continued support of Perry Hall. We are committed to ensuring that our staff, children and their families are as safe as possible but at the same time will strive to still provide the very best experiences for all of our children this Christmas time and aim to maintain a sense of normality for children in an ever changing climate. The contents of this letter will provide you with an overview of Perry Hall's plans for, what will be a very different, Christmas 2020.

### Christmas Cards and Calendars

Despite Perry Hall aiming to limit the transfer of things being brought into and handed out from school, based on feedback from parents/carers we are fully aware that families are keen to still receive Christmas cards and calendars that the children make in school annually. We have given a huge amount of consideration to this and have come to the following decision. **Children will have the opportunity to make cards and calendars in school this year** as we appreciate the sentimental value of such keepsakes. We will ensure that these are completed in school in enough time for them to be **quarantined** for a minimum of 72 hours (following COVID guidelines) **before being sent home to you. If you do not wish to receive your child's card and calendar, please inform your child's teachers of this decision using the year group email address** and we will photograph your child's creations and email you a copy instead. If this is the case, please email by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December at the latest to provide staff with enough time to do this.



### Christmas Dinner- School Lunch

This year's Christmas Dinner for the children will be on **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December**. To prepare for this lunch, the kitchen staff need to know numbers as soon as possible so **if your child would like a Christmas dinner, please email your child's year group email address to inform them by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December**. If your child is in KS2 and is not entitled to free school meals, then the price of the dinner will be the usual £2.60 (to be paid as normal through ParentPay). Thank you. Click on the Christmas Menu image on the right for a larger version.





### **Christmas Jumper Day**

On the same day as Christmas Dinner, **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December**, we will be joining in with a belated Christmas Jumper Day in support of the charity **Save the Children**. Children are welcome to come to school in their **own clothes including wearing a Christmas Jumper**, for a donation of **£1**. All funds raised will be passed onto Save the Children.



### **Christmas Party Day and End of Term for Two's and Nursery**

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December** marks the **last session of school before the Christmas holidays** for all pupils in **Two's and Nursery**. Whilst wearing their Christmas Jumpers as part of Christmas Jumper Day, Two's and Nursery children will have their Party Day.

### **Christmas Party Morning and End of Term for Reception-Year 6**

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December** marks the **last morning of school before the Christmas holidays** for all pupils in **Reception-Year 6**. The same staggered collection times will apply as are in place on a **Friday**. There will be **no Friday afternoon provision or after school club on this day**. To celebrate their end of term, children in Reception to Year 6 will be spending a fun morning engaging in **Christmas activities and games**. On this day, children are welcome to come into school in **non-uniform (free of charge)– festive, party wear is encouraged!**



### **Christmas Cards and Gifts- for staff and children's friends**

Unfortunately, **Christmas cards and gifts bought for staff and for the children's friends will not allowed to be brought into school this year**. The process of quarantining would be too difficult to organise and, as always, our main priority is everyone's safety and we feel that this would increase risks.

### **Our Christmas Treat for Children (with support from the PTA)**

#### **Children in Two's-Year 3**

We are extremely excited to be able to share with you that we have managed to secure, through the company 'Santa's Calling You', a slot for each class (from Two's to Year 3) to take part in 'The North Pole Video Call Experience for Schools', involving a video call from Santa, Mrs Clause and Santa's Elves (just Santa for children in Two's and Nursery) direct into their classroom. Further information can be found at:

<https://www.santascallingyou.co.uk/school-bookings>

In order for your child to take part in this exciting experience, you will need to give your permission. A further letter will be sent to you providing you with more details.



#### **Children in Year 4-6**

Your child's year group staff have chosen a range of fun Christmas party games for children to take part in on their party day. These have been ordered and will be fully quarantined prior to being used.

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The PTA are very kindly funding both of these things and, whilst not currently allowed in school at the moment and the usual PTA events not able to take place, the PTA have been very keen to still support the children in school. Thank you Perry Hall PTA!

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Kohli

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