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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are well on the way with all our Christmas preparations in school and we have got lots of exciting events to look forward to in the next few weeks! Thank you to everyone who sent in donations for Children in Need and for Class One for donating cakes, (There were lots! Yum!). The children had a fun action-packed day. We raised just under £60.

Christmas Wreath Making - Thursday 2nd December 6.30pm (ADULTS ONLY)

If you would like to join us to make a Christmas wreath, you can sign up on SIMS Pay. Tickets are £12.50 and this includes a glass of mulled wine, a mince pie/biscuit and all necessary resources. If you have a big garden, any donations of foliage would be much appreciated. Please bring your own secateurs if possible. There will be additional wreaths/table decorations to be raffled. We have reduced the numbers this year to make more space in the hall. We will also set the tables up in groups of four. If you are planning on coming with a few friends and need a bigger table, please email the school office with WREATH in the subject box and we will endeavour to organise the right sized table. Please sign up by Tuesday 23rd November to guarantee your ticket as after this date we will open the event to members of the community. If you have neighbours who are asking please let them know that they can either buy tickets from the school office or the Post Office.

Christmas Hamper Raffle and Non-Uniform Day - Friday 3rd December 2021

The Friends of the School will be organising their annual 'Christmas Hamper' raffle. Raffle tickets for the Christmas hamper will be available at Coffee and Carols and the Christmas Play performances. They cost £1.00 a ticket. On Friday 3rd December we will be having a non-uniform day to raise funds for the Friends of the School to buy produce for the hamper. If your child would like to wear a non-uniform, please send a £1.00 into school. The raffle for the hamper will be drawn after the evening Christmas Play performance.

Christmas Stay and Play - Tuesday 7th December 2021

On Tuesday morning between 9.00am and 10.00am, the nursery will be having a 'Stay and Play'. Parents or carers of nursery children are welcome to stay with their child and take part in some Christmas activities. Any other pre-school children and their parents are welcome to attend. If you know any other pre-school children in the village please let them know that they'd be welcome to attend too. Please can we just ask that only one adult accompanies each child.

Wei-Tots Sessions at the Village Hall

Emma Stevenson is going to be starting a 'Wei-Tots' session at the village hall on a Wednesday afternoon for all pre-school children and babies. The first session will be on Wednesday 5th January 2022 between 1.15 and 2.45pm. If you would like anymore information please contact Emma on 07854983344. Emma is happy to receive any donations of good quality, clean toys that are suitable for pre-school children and babies.

'Coffee and Carols' and a Christmas Market -Wednesday 1st December at 1.45pm and 2.45pm
We have had to slightly change Coffee and Carols this year. There will be two 'Coffee and Carols' sessions in the afternoon. The first session will start at 2.00pm. Doors will open at 1.45pm so that drinks can be served to the audience ready to start the performance at 2.00pm. This session will finish at 2.30pm. The second session will start at 3pm. Doors will open at 2.45pm ready for the performance at 3.00pm, finishing at 3.30pm. We are allocating two spaces per family. Please can you sign up for either the 'first sitting' or the 'second sitting' on SIMS Pay. Raffle tickets will also be available to buy at 'Coffee and Carols' for the Christmas hamper. We won't be having Christmas stalls this year at Coffee and Carols, the Friends of the School have kindly offered to do some Christmas stalls after school on Tuesday 14th December. We will send more details about this nearer the time.

Christmas Play - Wednesday 8th December and Thursday 9th December 2021

The school will be performing a whole school musical nativity called 'The Tale of Two Birthdays'. There will be an afternoon performance on **Wednesday 8th December** at 2.15pm and two performances on **Thursday 9th December**, one at 9.30am and one at 6.00pm. The evening performance will be for adults only. Unfortunately, due to the current climate, we have had to significantly reduce the number of tickets that we will be able to offer families. **EACH FAMILY WILL BE ALLOCATED THREE TICKETS. This will be limited to two tickets per performance. So parents can choose to have one person at each performance, or two people at one performance and one person at another. If you are bringing pre-school children or babies to the Wednesday afternoon or Thursday morning performance, they will also need a ticket from your allocated amount.**

SIMS PAY WILL OPEN AT 8.00am on Monday 22nd November so that you can sign up for the Christmas Play and Coffee and Carols. If you have more than one child at school. Please use the oldest child's account to reserve the ticket. We are assuming that the evening performance will be the most popular and tickets will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. We would ask if you are able to attend the morning or afternoon performance you do. **UNFORTUNATELY, THERE WILL BE NO EXTRA TICKETS THIS YEAR.**

Christmas Carol Service - Monday 13th December 2.45pm

All are welcome to our Christmas Carol Service that will take place at Rowley Church on **Monday 13th December** in the afternoon. Weather permitting, staff and children will walk to the church for the start of the service. The Carol Service will start at 2.45pm and **children will need collecting from the church at 3.30pm**. We will be having a practice before the service so please can anyone who is joining us for the service arrive no earlier than 2.35pm. Please can you email school with your child's name in **CAPITALS** as the subject to confirm who is either attending and/or picking up your children. If you are unable to attend, please ensure that there is someone at the church to collect your child by 3.25pm.

Christmas Lunch - Wednesday 15th December

This year's Christmas dinner will be on **Wednesday 15th December**. Meals can be ordered on the day as normal.

Party Day -Thursday 16th December 2021

Please can your child come to school in their party clothes (with some appropriate outdoor shoes and coat to wear at playtime!). They will have their school lunch as usual. In the afternoon they will have their party food. We will send home a party bag; please can you put some party food and a drink in this bag.

Phew! I think that's everything for now! Thank you for your continued support.

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Susie Varley
Headteacher

Dates for Autumn Term 2021

Wednesday 1 st December	Coffee and Carols (pm -details above)
Thursday 2 nd December	Wreath Making (adults - from 6.30pm)
Friday 3 rd December	Non-uniform day to raise funds for the Christmas Hamper
Tuesday 7 th December	Christmas 'Stay and Play' - Nursery children
Wednesday 8 th December	Christmas Play - afternoon performance
Thursday 9 th December	Christmas Play - morning performance - evening performance
Monday 13 th December	Carol Service at St Peter's Rowley (2.45pm)
Thursday 16 th December	Christmas party day
Friday 17 th December	Finish for Christmas No afternoon nursery session

*Below are proposed dates for **key events** in the Spring and Summer terms. Hopefully these will not change but if for any reasons they do, we will let you know as soon as possible.*

Spring Term Dates 2022

Wednesday 5 th January	Back to school
Thursday 3 rd February	Class Photos
Friday 18 th February	Finish for half term
Monday 28 th February	Back to school
Thursday 3 rd March	World Book Day- Family Reading Breakfast 8.30am
Friday 18 th March	Comic Relief
Week Beg 4 th April	Easter Service at St Peter's Rowley 2.45pm TBC
Friday 8 th April	Finish for Easter No Friday play session

Summer Term Dates 2022

Tuesday 26 th April	Back to school
Monday 2 nd to 27 th May	Year 2 SATs take place throughout this month
Week Beg 9 th May	Year 6 SATs (Year 2 SATs continues)
Thursday 26 th May	Sports Evening 5.30pm
Friday 27 th May	Finish for half term
Monday 6 th June	SCHOOL CLOSED (new date, additional training)
Tuesday 7 th June	Back to school
	Year 1 phonics testing to take place this week
Thursday 9 th June	Alternative Date for Sports Evening
Monday 27 th June	Whole School Trip
Tuesday 5 th July	Awards Service (2.45pm)
Tuesday 19 th July	Leavers (2.45pm)
Wednesday 20 th July	Moving Up Morning (Children to new classes)
Friday 22 nd July	Finish for the summer No Friday Play session today