



PRAE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL
Everyone Valued, Everyone Learning

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Dear Y1-Y6 parents,

Please be aware that we are starting to practise Christmas songs in school both in class music lessons and in weekly singing assembly in preparation for our carol concerts later in the term. If you do not wish your child to take part in singing Christmas songs, and therefore do not wish your child to take part in the Christmas Concerts at the end of term, please email the school office to let us know, so that they can be removed from the weekly Christmas singing assembly. However, please be aware that these children will join in with a different weekly singing assembly held at the same time with another teacher.

Please email the school office by the end of the day on Friday 9th November if you wish to remove your child from the Christmas singing assembly, otherwise they will be expected to take part.

Please also note that all children are expected to participate in all national curriculum subjects, including weekly French and music lessons. Last year we had a small number of children who said that they were unable to take part in either lesson due to the Christmas content. So we are writing to clarify that for the remainder of this term, in French, the children will be learning vocabulary and songs associated with Christmas which will not be religious in content and therefore all children should be able to take part. In music lessons the children will be singing a variety of secular Christmas songs, which are not religious in nature, and therefore once again all children are expected to take part.

If for any reason you feel your child should not be taking part in their National Curriculum French and music lessons then please arrange a meeting to discuss the matter on an individual basis. Please email via the school office by the end of the day on Friday 9th November.

Kind regards,

Jenny Sheppard
Headteacher