

Dear Parents and Carers,



**Festive Reminders for the Frantic Season of Good Will To All**



As many of you are aware we are having a drive on safer parking outside school. It may not be a red nosed man in a red outfit that greets you at the brow of the hill, but please respect this very welcome initiative from our very supportive parents. Keeping everyone safe is our number one priority this Christmas and beyond.



Which reminds me to remind parents and children to take great care when boarding the school bus, particularly at Medbourne where the crush to get onto the bus has hit "Black Friday" mania proportions!



We have had a few incidents recently of children bringing products containing nuts into school. Please could you be aware of the high risk of this to a number of our children who have nut allergies which put them at serious risk of suffering life threatening effects if they come into contact with any products which contain nuts and provide your children with snacks and packed lunches with this in mind.



This Friday is non-uniform day in support of the PTA's Christmas Fair on December 12<sup>th</sup>. Donations of chocolate (nut free?) and tombola gifts very much welcome in return. Children may wish to dress in keeping with our festive theme or save that for Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December when we will be supporting Save the Children's Christmas jumper day and NSPCC Bobble Hat day when all in school will be encouraged to take part for a donation towards these charities.



On Thursday there will be the clothes/books and toy recycling collection in school. If you're having a tidy out before Christmas please bring any bags in either last thing on Wednesday or first thing on Thursday.



It will be the last session of term for Y3 and Y2 swimming this coming Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> December. Also this Friday, our expert Y5 "Brass Blowers" will be combining with our novice Y4 "Wind Warblers" to demonstrate their developing skills in a mini-concert in the school hall at 2.30pm. Parents of Y4 and Y5 children very welcome.



Our Choir performance is scheduled for Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm in the school hall. All parents and children very welcome.



The 4+ and Y1 nativity performances will take place in school on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> with an afternoon performance to the school and any parents unable to make the evening performance of 6pm.



Finally, very best season's greetings and wishes to all our families and friends as we face the last few weeks of a very busy term leading up to Christmas. May patience, perseverance and good will keep us all in the best of moods. Ho, ho, ho!

Thank you in anticipation.

Keith John, Head Elf.