



Hoyland Springwood Primary School

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Dear Parents,

I am writing to confirm the timings and arrangements for the Christmas concerts and events over the next two weeks.



Tuesday 6th December – Christmas Coffee Morning

Our annual Christmas Coffee Morning will take place in the school hall. Please do come and join us for a drink and a mince pie. Donations of mince pies (and buns for children) would be gratefully received.

Tuesday 6th December - Falcons, Penguins & Dragons' Christmas Concert

The Falcons, Penguins & Dragons will be performing at St Peter's Church in Hoyland on Tuesday 6th December. The performance will begin at 2.15pm and we would ask that all members of the audience are seated by 2.10pm. The children will be walking up to the church after lunch, accompanied by school staff. Children whose parents or other family members are coming to the performance may be taken home straight after the concert once they have been signed out. Children who are not collected from the church will walk back to school with school staff and can be collected at 3.30pm as usual. If your child normally attends a club on a Tuesday, please would you let the school office know in advance whether or not he/she will still be attending.

Wednesday 7th December – Christmas Lunch

If you have ordered a Christmas Lunch for your child, and your child is not in receipt of free school meals, please ensure that payment has been made prior to Wednesday. If you have not ordered your child a Christmas Lunch, please provide him/her with a packed lunch on this day. Please note that there are no other options for a school meal on this day.

Thursday 8th December – Family Christmas Craft Activity Session

Families are invited to join us for a festive craft session in the school hall from 3.30pm to 4.30pm. Places must be pre-booked using the slip overleaf and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Please note that all children attending must be accompanied by a responsible adult, children are not able to attend unaccompanied.



Friday 9th December - Christmas Fair

Our Christmas Fair will take place on Friday 9th December from 2.30 – 4pm in the school hall. There will be a range of stalls and we do hope you will all come and join us for this. Donations of bric a brac, tombola prizes or buns would be gratefully received. Children may be signed out from their classes from 2.30pm to visit the fair and subsequently go home. Please note that once signed out, children become the responsibility of the adult who collected them. If your child normally attends Film Club, please let the school office know if he/she will be attending as usual on this day.

Friday 9th December - Non-Uniform Day

We will be holding a non-uniform day in support of our Christmas Fair on the 9th December. Please would you send your child with a tombola prize or some buns for the fair on this day. Chocolates, toiletries etc. are all ideal prizes.

Tuesday 13th & Wednesday 14th December - Raccoons & Leopards' Christmas Performance

Raccoons and Leopards will be performing twice (the same show). The first performance will be on Tuesday 13th December at 2.30pm and the second performance will be on Wednesday 14th December at 9.15am. Both performances will be in the school hall. If your child attends an after-school club on a Tuesday, please would you let the school office know if he/she will be attending as usual on this day.

Wednesday 14th December – Christmas Parties

Christmas parties for all the classes will take place on the afternoon of 14th December. Children may bring party clothes to change into after lunch on this day. These should be clearly named and placed in a named carrier bag. Please do not send make-up or shoes with heels. The children will be playing party games and need to be able to move easily in whatever they are wearing.

Photographs & videos – we understand that parents and family members like to take photos of the children at school events, especially performances and are happy for you to do so. However, we would ask that you refrain from flash photography and filming during performances so as not to startle/distract the children (photos without flash are fine) and would ask that you don't place photos or film of anyone else's children onto social media sites without their express permission. We do have some children who, for safeguarding reasons, are not allowed to have their photo publicised in this way and, in addition, some parents choose to keep photos of their child off social media. Thank you in advance for your support in this.



We do hope that you will join us at our events this Christmas time.

Yours sincerely

Mrs K. Clark
Headteacher

Family Christmas Craft Activity Session – Thursday 8th December

Name of Pupil(s): _____

I would like to reserve the following places at the Family Christmas Craft Activity Session:

____ adults

____ school age children

____ pre-school children (please don't include babes in arms in the numbers)

Signed: _____ (parent/carer)

