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Dear All,

### **Thank you.....**

**Forty-six Christmas shoeboxes** were collected on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November. Well done one and all! It was wonderful to see the outpouring of kindness and thoughtfulness from our families. **THANK YOU!** Many thanks to Mrs Gillingham (who works in our kitchen) who wrapped fifty boxes for us and saved so many people a job!



**£103.58** was raised was collected by the school for the **Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.**

The very yellow and delicious, **'Pudsey Bear Cake'** raffled for **Children in Need**, raised the sum of **£145.25**. Very well done everyone. Thank you to Mrs Hobbs for making the cake! She is amazing and has helped us to raise money for 'Children in Need' for years! **THANK YOU** for all your hard work. Many thanks to Mrs Davidson for organising this with Mrs Hobbs. The winning ticket belonged to Ali Hewitt, so well done Ali. Believe it or not her big sister also won the cake a few years ago when she attended our school!



### **Please help the FOSS prepare for the Christmas Bazaar...**

**On Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November we are holding a NON-UNIFORM DAY** in aid of the Christmas Bazaar. We are hoping everyone will fill a 'Jolly Jar' and bring it to school on that day. The idea is to fill a jar and perhaps even decorate it for the **JOLLY JAR STALL** at the Christmas Bazaar. **Please see the photograph below for some fab ideas.** Please put the jars in the crate by the front gate. Many thanks.

Please remember to come to school in clothes you can play in and keep warm in!



**Non-uniform Day: NEXT FRIDAY!**

## The Book People Bus

On Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October, *The Book People Bus* visited our school. £811.00 was spent on books raising £123.39 in commission for the school to spend on books. (£3 of this was raised by three parents who filled in the book boost). Big Book Boost is a fundraising scheme to help raise money for schools. Every time you spend £10 or more online, you can choose to donate £1 to OUR SCHOOL. Please see leaflet coming home with your child today.

We are asking the children which books they would buy for their classrooms. Thank you for your support with this!

## **NATIVITY PERFORMANCES: WEDNESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER AND THURSDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2019**

This year the pupils in EYFS, Y1 and Y2 are performing 'The Nativity'. A dress rehearsal in front of the whole school will take place on the morning of Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December with performances to families taking place on the following two days. **The deadline for requesting tickets is Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 10am!** If you do not send a reply slip back, you may have to take pot luck!

On the morning of the performances refreshments will be on sale in the school hall. All funds going towards the Friends of Stratford-sub-Castle Primary School (FOSS). Order forms for tickets went out last week! A copy of the order form was also sent out by email on the 14<sup>th</sup> November.



## **SCHOOL CHRISTMAS MEAL/BLING UP YOUR UNIFORM DAY: WEDNESDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

In preparation for the Christmas meal, please indicate on the attached form whether or not you wish to book a Christmas meal for your child. The closing date for ordering the Christmas meal is Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December. The cost for the meal is **£2:50. Please fill in the slip and post it in the box outside the School office. Please do not pay if your child has Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) or Free School Meals!**

**Christmas lunch and 'Bling up your Uniform Day'!** (Be as subtle or garish as you wish, but 'Christmasify' your uniform if you want to. This is for fun and no money or jars are involved!) Christmas jumpers, tinsel or hats may be worn, for example!



### MENU

MAIN: Traditional roast turkey; served with sausage and stuffing

OR

VEGETARIAN: Quorn fillet, stuffing ball and vegetarian sausage

All served with roast potatoes, garden peas, baton carrots and gravy

DESSERT: Iced Christmas cookie / satsuma



**PLEASE RETURN YOUR ORDER FORM TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY FRIDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER.  
PAYMENTS TO BE MADE BY PARENTPAY OR BY CASH TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE.**

## Coming up very soon...

### **F.O.S.S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: FRIDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2019 (straight after school)**

The Christmas Bazaar takes place on **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December** in the School Hall. Lots of hard work has been going on behind the scenes, so please make a date in your diary and come and support the event and our school! Once again we are selling tickets to see Santa at a cost £2 per ticket. They are available in the school office on Friday and again in the hall during the Christmas Bazaar. Small groups of children will then be called to the grotto, rather than having a huge queue up the corridor. If you have pre-bought your ticket for Santa, please go to the hall and wait to be called! Children attending the Christmas Bazaar **MUST** leave their coats and bags in their classrooms otherwise it ends up being a Jumble Sale rather than a Christmas Bazaar. These may be collected from the classrooms on departure!



### **SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CARDS / POST BOX: MONDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2019**

The school "Christmas Post Box" will be placed in the school hall from **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December**. Christmas cards should not be brought to school before that time. All cards should be placed in the box addressed with FULL NAME (first and second name) and CLASS. Please remember this is only for school cards! Please do not confuse this with the Scouts either! This is an internal school delivery service only!

### **SALISBURY SCHOOLS CAROL CONCERT: MONDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2019**

We have children from Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 taking part in this concert. On the evening of the event we shall **meet in the foyer of the City Hall between 5.55pm and 6.05pm. School uniform must be worn including school sweatshirt/ cardigan** (very shiny shoes and well-brushed hair, please!). Please look after your child's coat during the concert, whether you are staying or not. The concert should finish at about 7:30pm, so please arrange to pick your child up soon after that. If you have any problems or questions, please speak to me, Mrs Watkins or to your child's class teacher.

**Strictly Come Stratford / The STRAT FACTOR / Stratford's got Talent! : THURSDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER** Each class will hold preliminary rounds in the morning and decide on who they would like to send to the finals in the afternoon. We are encouraging the children to dance, sing or maybe tell a joke, in the name of entertainment! Sorry we won't have room for any visitors but I'm sure you will hear all about it.

### **LAST SMILEY FACE ASSEMBLY OF 2019: FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER at 09:10- ish!**

The last celebration assembly of the year takes place on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December. Parents, grandparents etc. are always very welcome!

### **CAROL SERVICE IN ST LAWRENCE CHURCH at 1.30pm FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

Due to lack of space in the Church we are inviting KS2 parents only to come and join us. We would really like all the children to finish term together in the Church and as the EYFS/KS1 parents have the Nativities we thought it was the fairest way of solving the problem.

### **Reminders....**

- Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November Non-Uniform Day-bring in "Jolly Jar"
- Christmas Bazaar Rainbow Raffle please bring in donations by Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December
- Last day for Scouts Christmas Post is Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December
- Termly Topic hand in date is Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2019.

Kindest regards  
Kay Bridson

# CHRISTMAS MEAL ORDER FORM 2019



Child's name ..... Class .....

I would like to order a Traditional Christmas meal for my child. YES NO

I would like to order a vegetarian meal for my child. YES NO

My child is entitled to a Free School Meal/ UIFSM. YES NO

I enclose cash payment of £2.50. YES NO I will pay £2.50 on ParentPay YES NO

Signed .....

MY CHILD WILL BE EATING A PACKED LUNCH ON THE CHRISTMAS DINNER DAY: YES

Please circle YES if your child is having a packed lunch and this will stop us from chasing you up!  
Thank you. Please return slip in envelope with payment and post in the school dinner money tin outside the office. Kindly return by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December.



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