



# Christmas at St Barnabas!



13<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

Below are details of our Christmas celebrations that are happening next week.

## **Christmas Dinner – Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December**

The whole school will sit down to enjoy a traditional Christmas Dinner together. The menu has already been sent home and a reminder of it can be found on our website (<http://stbarnabasprimary.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/Christmas-Lunch-Menu-2017.pdf>) or calendar section of the app for this day. The Quorn option will only be available to children who are vegetarians and there will be no sandwich or jacket potato option on this day. Children are invited to wear their Christmas jumpers to school on this day (usual school uniform otherwise).

## **Christmas Party Lunch – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December**

On party day (see below) we will be having a special party lunch with a great selection of party food including sandwiches, sausage rolls, ice cream and cakes. Once again, the whole school will sit down together for lunch. **Payment for both Christmas Dinner and Party Lunch (£2.25 each unless entitled to free lunches) must be made before the meal is taken as we do not operate a credit system.**

## **Lunch menu changes next week**

Friday's menu will be served on Wednesday. Monday and Thursday will be the usual menu for the week.

## **Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 Nativity – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> 2pm**

The performance of 'Born in a Barn' will take place in the school hall. Children have been working so hard to learn all their songs and words and you are in for a real treat! No tickets are required and doors will open at 1:40pm on both days. Key Stage 2 children will be watching the dress rehearsal earlier in the week.

## **Whole School Carol Service – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 9:30am**

We hope you will join us for this service in Church when each Key Stage 2 class will perform a Christmas song, the whole school will sing traditional carols together and Year 6 will lead readings about the Christmas story. We will also be celebrating birthdays that take place in the Christmas holidays at this service.

## **Christmas Party – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 1-3pm**

The children can wear their own clothes to school on that day (no make-up/jewellery please!). We hope that Santa might also pay us a visit if he is in the area.....

## **Carol Singing**

On Monday morning the Key Stage 2 choir members along with some additional children from Anderson and Shakespeare Classes will visit Barleyfields Sheltered Accommodation on Shipton Road to sing carols to the residents. This visit is always enjoyed by the children and residents alike as it spreads Christmas joy.

## **Visit to the National Railway Museum**

On Thursday, children in Shakespeare and Anderson Classes will visit the NRM to take part in some workshops and view the baubles, decorated by children from St Barnabas on the NRM tree. Children will need to bring a packed lunch which they will eat there. If you are available to help on this visit, please let the class teachers know. They will leave school at 9:30am and return by 2pm.

## **Swimming**

Shakespeare Class have had their last swimming session. Luther-King Class will go swimming next term, beginning on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018 (the first day back). They will need their swimming kits and we ask for £2 per week contribution towards the coach (£20 for the term) to be paid on Parent Pay by Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Thank you for supporting the PTA Christmas Fair last week. It was brilliant to see so many of you there. Lots of prizes were won and children enjoyed visiting Santa. A huge 'Thank you!' goes to the dedicated PTA members who worked so hard to organise the fair in order to raise much needed funds for school equipment and activities.

During Advent we are trying to spread a little more kindness and happiness. To help with this, children may like to choose from the Archie Challenge Grid attached.

Information about clubs for next term and the booking process will be sent home next week.

**We wish you a peaceful and happy Christmas.  
The children return to school on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018**