

## Dunmow St Mary's Primary School

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25<sup>th</sup> November 2016

Dear Parents,

### Christmas Performances Y3/4/5 Ticket Requests

The Christmas performances are on the following dates and times.

YR/1/2 Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2pm

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am

Y3/4/5 Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December 7pm

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am and 7pm

There will be enough tickets for each family to have 2 tickets. This could be 2 tickets at the same performance or one ticket for one performance and one ticket for another performance. If you require tickets for the **Y3/4/5** performance please fill out the slip on the attached page. In the next couple of weeks you will then receive a programme which will be your ticket for your seat. We will not be able to allow you into the hall without your programme until everyone else is seated.

**Please note that in all these performances people will need to remain seated so as not to block fire exits and push chairs and buggies will need to be left outside the hall.**

### Class Assemblies

I know that many parents are finding the class assemblies a pressure, especially when they have to take time off work.

These class assemblies were never intended as a big performance or as something the parents felt they had to attend. They were intended as an opportunity for parents to drop in on something that was happening in school anyway. Please fill in the short questionnaire coming out alongside this letter so I can make decisions as to how to proceed with this.

### PTA News

Thank you to everyone who has brought sweetie jars in so far-there is a prize for the class with the most donations so please do keep them coming! Just fill a jar with any sweeties you want and hand them in at the office. The children love playing the jar tombola so your donations are very much appreciated.

We would like mince pie donations-not homemade, but normal boxed ones. So when you do your shop this weekend, add a box in for us! Thank you.

Thanks for all your gift, teddy and bric-a-brac donations. We will continue collecting them from the office all of next week.

**Please note that Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December will be a non-uniform day in exchange for an in-date bottle for the bottle tombola. This can be alcoholic or non-alcoholic. Please bring the bottles into school on Friday.**

### **Safeguarding**

Due to new rigorous safeguarding requirements which requires us to know which adults are on the premises at any time, we must ask parents not to walk into school to see teachers or to look for lost property but to go to the school office and ask the staff to find the teacher for them.

### **School Target Awards**

*For getting better at Speedy maths:* Abi Prier 6JM, Quinn Wilby 1SH

*For pushing themselves to do the best they can:* Millie Lewin 6BH, Zara Morgan 5LO, Alex Austin 5TH, Nicholas Jones 3LW, Sofia Ivanos 2NT, Reuben Whitehead 1BR, Emily James 4KE/RK, Dylan Stuart 2LH, Molly Gower RLB

*For showing respect:*

*For challenging themselves to learn new words:* Lily Sargeant 3AM/NR, Cecily Vanderpere-Brown 4RB

### **Class Assemblies**

If you would like to come to your child's assembly please come to school at 10.40am or 2.40pm and sign in at the school office. The assembly will last 15 minutes.

30<sup>th</sup> November at 10.45am 5LO

7<sup>th</sup> December at 10.45am 4KE/RK

11<sup>th</sup> January at 10.45am 3AM/NR

18<sup>th</sup> January at 10.45am 6JM

### **Clubs**

Please be reminded that some clubs have now finished due to the staging for the Christmas Plays (see revised Club list sent earlier this week). There will be no clubs next Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December due to the PTA Christmas Bazaar. All Clubs will finish on 9<sup>th</sup> December.

### **Important dates for this half term**

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December PTA Christmas Bazaar 3.30 – 5.30pm

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 9.30 YR/1/2 Christmas Performance

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2.00 YR/1/2 Christmas Performance

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December 9.30 YR/1/2 Christmas Performance

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December 9.45 Carol Concert at St Mary's Church

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Dinner

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December 7.00 Y3,4,5 Christmas Performance

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 9.30 and 7.00 Y3,4,5 Christmas Performance

Yours sincerely

Clare Griffiths

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Tickets for Y3/4/5 Christmas Performance

Two tickets are available for each family. This could be two tickets for the same performance or one ticket for one and one ticket for another performance. We are afraid that **each family** is limited to two tickets.

Child's name \_\_\_\_\_ class \_\_\_\_\_

I would like the following tickets (please circle as appropriate)

1    2    for Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm

1    2    for Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am

1    2    for Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

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Dear Parents,

Please give your views about class assemblies by answering the following questions.

1. My child is in Y 1 2 3 4 5 6 (circle the appropriate year groups)
  
2. I like the system of class assemblies as it is currently Yes No
  
3. I would prefer the assemblies to be once per term Yes No
  
4. I would prefer not to have class assemblies but to be invited to special events. Yes No

Any other comments \_\_\_\_\_

Yours sincerely

Clare Griffiths