

8th December 2021

Christmas Celebrations

Dear parents / carers

It is with great sadness and disappointment that we have had to follow guidance, from the Local Authority and the other schools in the cluster, to celebrate Christmas without parents. Covid cases across the area and within schools have seen a surge over recent weeks and we know that you are keen to be able to celebrate Christmas with your family and friends. We are desperate to be able to have you safely back in school and hope that the new year will allow that.

Do not worry though. We are definitely going to be celebrating in style and the last week of term is full of fun and festive opportunities for those that want to join in! Your class will have notified you if they have arranged a class trip out. Below is the plan for the last week.

Tuesday 14th: Christmas Lunch

- This will be across two sittings with pupils sitting with their class staff and lunchtime supervisors. Lunch will be served by teachers so as to limit the movement of people. We are not having crackers this year as they just end up in the bin. Classes will be making a fabulous, festive hat instead.
- Dig out the Christmas jumper / T-Shirt as we are all wearing them to lunch.

Wednesday 15th: Christmas service.

- We will be visiting All Saints Church where classes will be taking part in a Christmas-themed sketch. Pictures will be taken to share with you.

Thursday 16th: Class Christmas parties.

- Father Christmas will be dropping gifts outside classroom doors and stopping by to say hello. The Friends of Kings Mill parent group have donated a present to each child which has been especially selected by the class team.
- Sparkly Christmas party attire acceptable.

Friday 17th: Virtual Carols around the tree.

- Classes will be linked via Teams for a carol sing along, supported by the signing choir.

I can't quite believe that it has been a year since Gail's retirement! So much has happened and we still find ourselves living and working in less than normal circumstances. Thank you for your continued support and understanding throughout all that has been 'thrown' at you.

We wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Hopefully 2022 will once again see the return of families back into school, sharing and celebrating all that is wonderful at Kings Mill.

Yours sincerely

