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Christmas Newsletter

Dear Parents,

It's that time of year again but due to the COVID restrictions we will be celebrating Christmas a little differently this year. Here are all the things we have planned to ensure it is still an enjoyable time for the children.

Christmas Cards and Presents

If your child wishes to bring in cards and gifts, these should be brought into school on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, starting on Monday 30th November. Cards can only be brought in for your child's year group and each class or year group will have a postbox. Cards will be sorted and given out on Fridays.



Random Acts of Kindness and Christmas Joke

Every day starting on Tuesday 1st December there will be a random act of kindness to carry out and a Christmas joke shared with your child. Hopefully they'll remember to share some of these with you.

Christmas Class Carols

Each class will be videoing a short performance of a song, reading or poem and a prayer. This will be uploaded on to the school website for you to view. If you do not wish your child to be in the video, please email the school office on admin.williammartin@dcvst.org to opt out. Children will be asked to wear Christmas themed clothes on the day of filming- we will send out an email to let you know which day for each year group. The filming will be week beginning 30th November.



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Christmas Pantomime and Birthday Party- Friday 11th December

On Friday 11th December the children will all be watching a virtual pantomime (thanks to the PTA for purchasing this) and having a celebration for all the children who have had birthdays during the Autumn term. If your child has had a birthday since the start of September and you would like to send in some sweets or individually wrapped food (e.g. mini rolls, single packets of crisps), can you please send it in by Wednesday 9th December so it can be shared out at the party on the Friday afternoon. Children can also wear Christmas themed clothes on this day. We'll also be taking part in a themed fun run called 'Santa Dash' in the morning.



Christingle virtual service- Wednesday 16th December

We will be holding a virtual Christingle service in school and worship ambassadors will demonstrate how to make a Christingle during this service- we will provide everything they need. This year we will be sending home all the items needed for your child to make a Christingle at home along with instructions, all you will need to provide them with is an orange.

Christmas Dinner- Thursday 17th December

We will be offering a delicious Christmas dinner this year with turkey, pigs in blankets, roast potatoes and vegetables along with a cracker. This must be booked and paid for online by Thursday 10th December.



We hope that we can still keep the magic of Christmas alive for the children at William Martin Schools!

Very best wishes,

Gina Bailey &
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