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*'Sharing Kindness,
Challenging Ourselves and Others,
Achieving Excellence'*

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Dear Parents/Carers

CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2025

Christmas is always a busy time of year, and I am sure that many of you will be wanting to get dates and times into diaries regarding this term's Christmas events before we break up on Friday 19th December.

Year R Writing Workshop & Post Box Walk – Wednesday 3rd December

A Writing Workshop and Post Box Walk from **9:00am – 11:00am**. This will be a special and enjoyable morning where you will work alongside your child to write a letter to Santa and then accompany us on a short walk to the Tesco post box to post it together.

Year 1 Carols Around the Tree – Monday 8th December

Carols Around the Tree will begin at 9.15am in the school hall with Year 1 children sharing with you a few Christmas songs and poems. We look forward to you joining us.

Share a Tray – Monday 8th December

An opportunity for parents and carers to come in after school to have a look through your child's work and books with them from 3.30pm – 4pm.

Year 2 Production – Tuesday 9th December (Swallow) / Wednesday 10th December (Blackbird)

Performances will begin at 9.30am on both days. Children will be involved in both performances, and where possible, we ask parents/carers of Swallow class to attend on the Tuesday and parents/carers of Blackbird class to attend on the Wednesday, so that we have enough seats for you all!

Year Reception Nativity – Monday 15th December / Tuesday 16th December

The performances will begin at 2.40pm on Monday 15th December and at 9.10am on Tuesday 16th December with doors opening 10 minutes before the start time on both days.

Key Stage 2 Christmas Carol Services – Thursday 18th December

KS2 Christmas Carol Services will take place for Years 3 and 4 at 9.15am, and for Year 5 and 6 at 2.45pm on Thursday 18th December.

Space in the hall for these performances will be limited so we kindly request that pre-school children do not attend wherever possible. Please can we also remind you that no photography or filming will be permitted.



Christmas Lunch – Wednesday 17th December

Christmas Lunch is now available to order on Aspens Select. We advise placing your order as soon as possible. For those children that do not have a Christmas lunch ordered, please provide them with a festive packed lunch. Children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper and/or a Christmas hat.

Class Christmas Parties/Celebrations – Friday 19th December

All classes will have their Christmas party on the last day of term and children may wear party clothes to school on this day.

Christmas Post Boxes

Christmas post boxes will be in place from 1st December. To make the sorting easier, we will have a post box for each year group. Please remember to write the child's full name and class on the envelope and encourage your child(ren) to dispose of envelopes in recycling bins. We would like to make the suggestion that many children might like to send **just one card** with a special message to the whole class, rather than to individuals. We find that those who don't receive a card feel very left out and we are also mindful of the desire of many people to reduce the amount of paper/card they use to save the environment.



YR Robin:	Miss Ovington	YR Sparrow:	Mrs Wilcox / Ms Singham
Y1 Goldfinch:	Mrs Devanny / Mrs Smith	Y1 Kingfisher:	Mr Doul
Y2 Swallow:	Miss Makinde / Mrs Mercieca	Y2 Blackbird:	Miss Weston
Y3 Owl:	Miss Milne / Mrs Smith	Y3 Jay:	Miss Gibson
Y4 Swift:	Mr Harris	Y4 Wagtail:	Mrs Hobbs
Y5 Woodpecker:	Miss Penny	Y5 Nightingale:	Miss Macadam / Mrs Bennett
Y6 Falcon:	Mr Morgan	Y6 Kestrel:	Miss Anderson

I look forward to seeing you at many of these events, making memories with your children and the staff and enjoying this special time of year.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R Riordan', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

R Riordan
Headteacher

