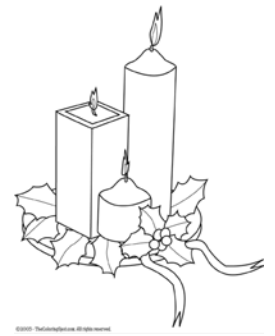


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Dear Parents

ASSEMBLIES

There will be no assembly on the morning of Friday 12th December, as one of the KS1 productions takes place that morning. Parents and friends are very welcome to join us tomorrow morning or on Friday 19th at 9.00 am for the Head's Record of Achievement and Good Neighbour awards.

INTERNATIONAL DAY

We would like to say a very big "thank you" to all those parents who came in to help with this special day last Friday. I would also like to thank all the staff who worked hard to make it a great experience for all the children. You can see some photos overleaf.

CAROL SERVICE

This takes place at 1.45pm on Thursday 18th December, at St John's Church. All parents and friends will be very welcome. We would be particularly grateful for any helpers to walk with the children to the church – without your support we will have to hold the service at school. Please let the office know if you are able to help. Many thanks.

EVENING MEETING ON MONDAY 8TH – CHINA

Thank you to those people who have returned the slips from last week's letter. We have had a very small response, so we are sending more information home today. We will take a decision tomorrow whether to run the meeting on Monday or postpone until next term.

CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION TICKETS

Tickets are being sent home today with the youngest child in each family. Happily, we have been able to allocate all the additional tickets requested. However, this means that the hall will be full to capacity for the Friday morning KS1 performance. We realise that a number of parents will need to bring pushchairs to school, but please be aware that there will not be space to accommodate these in the hall as it is essential that we keep access to the emergency exits clear. There are still some tickets available for the other three performances, so please let the office know if you would like more. Also, please let us know if any specific seating arrangements are needed for disabled visitors.

SWIMMING FOR Y4 & Y6 AND SCHOOL MEALS

Letters are being sent home this week about swimming lessons next term and ordering school meals for the first half of the term. Please let us have your replies as soon as possible, and no later than Thursday 18th December. We will not be able to order meals for children who do not bring in their replies by this date.

GLASS JARS WITH LIDS

Could you help the Reception class by donating any glass jars with lids? (empty and washed, please!). Thank you.

CHRISTINGLE CANDLES

Thank you to everyone who has already donated to the Children's Society – there's still time to bring in your candle collecting boxes, or they can be taken to the service at St Nicholas' Church on Sunday 14th December at 4.30 pm.

CROSSING PATROL

There will be no crossing patrol on the morning of Monday 8th December.

SALVATION ARMY VISIT

Y4 had a visit from Captain Mike Lloyd-Jones of the Salvation Army earlier this week. After hearing about Mike's work, year 4 would like to support two projects that the Salvation Army are running this Christmas. They are collecting Pot Noodles to be distributed to the homeless, and new toys to be distributed to children in Coventry who are facing difficult times. If you would like to join Year 4 in supporting these appeals there will be a box in the office until next Friday 12th December. Look out for some photos in next week's newsletter!

SICKNESS VIRUS - NOROVIRUS

As usually happens during the winter months, there has been an increase in the number of cases of viral gastroenteritis (diarrhoea and vomiting). The advice from the Health Protection Agency is that anyone affected should not return to work or school for 48 hours after the last symptoms. Further details are available from www.hpa.org.uk/infections/topics_az/norovirus/faq.htm.

PTA NEWS

COLOURING COMPETITION The winners will be announced at assembly tomorrow – we've had some wonderful pieces of artwork!

THE CHRISTMAS BAZAAR IS TOMORROW from 6.00 to 8.00 pm. Please, please consider if you could

- Bring in any more items for stalls – books, toys, unwanted gifts, bottles for the pull-a bottle stall
- Donate cakes or mince pies (bought or home-made equally welcome!) for the refreshments – these can be brought in any time tomorrow.
- Help on a stall for just for 30 minutes – see Sue Cox, Sarah Devine or Michela Way.

And PLEASE come along and join in the fun.

Yours sincerely

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ACTING HEADTEACHER