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Dear Parents,

Thank you for your overwhelming response to our letter about Christmas lunches. It was unanimous that we should provide hot Christmas lunches- option 1. Therefore, every child in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and FSM in KS2 will be provided with a hot Christmas meal on the days indicated below. If any of these children would rather bring a packed lunch on that day instead-they can do so. If any child in KS2 would like a Christmas lunch on their day they will need to bring £2.40 in a named envelope and give this to their class teacher by Wednesday 9th December- so that the kitchen can order everything they need. Please do not send children in with loose money as the kitchen will take the named envelopes and need the information on the front of the envelope.

On the days the Reception, KS1 children and KS2 FSM children are not having their Christmas lunch-they will be provided with a cold lunch bag. Again if you would rather send your child in with a packed lunch from home- that will be fine.

In addition to the lunches, the children will be having a party in their classroom on the days indicated below. On that day they can come to school dressed in party clothes. The PFA will be providing every child with a drink and snack for the party so the children should not bring anything from home.

We have decided that we will not be allowing Christmas cards or presents into school this year as we feel it is not worth the risk- which may be small but if it affects just one person then we would all regret it. Some parents have asked if they can bring presents in for staff. This is a very kind offer but all that the staff require is a cheery smile and kind wishes.

As you are aware, we have our house prize at the end of each term. However, this terms winners will have their prize banked and we will be awarding them their prize once we can mix bubbles again, and we will arrange something special for them!

We are acutely aware that some of you will be seeing very vulnerable people/ relatives over Christmas such as grandparents and the clinically extremely vulnerable. Therefore, we would like to support you in your preparations to see these people over the Christmas break. If you would like to isolate your child during the last week of term, then we will support this and you will not receive any form of penalty. Your child will be marked as absent but this will not be viewed negatively. However, we must stress this is only in exceptional circumstances and will require the children to be fully isolated at home and not be out and about, for the whole week. If you do wish to isolate your child during this week, then we ask



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that you contact school directly to discuss arrangements.

When we return to school in January (Tuesday 5th January) we will be maintaining all the same control measures that we currently have in place. The start and end of the day will remain exactly the same, and wearing a face covering on site will continue to apply.

The one area that will change is the lunches for Reception and KS1 children. These children will go back to the normal menu and pre COVID routines in the hall. Therefore, the children will be given a hot meal with the normal menu choices.

However, this means that all KS2 will be eating in their classrooms (as Y34 have been doing all this term) so they will need to continue to bring in their own packed lunch each day in a disposable bag. The children who have Free School Meals in KS2 will continue with current arrangements whereby they will be provided with a lunch bag in their classroom. We cannot allow these FSM KS2 children into the hall for a normal school lunch as we cannot mix the bubbles.

Arrangements for week commencing 14th December 2020

	Monday 14 th Dec	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Xmas Lunch	Reception Xmas lunch in hall	Year 1 and Year 2 Xmas lunch in hall	Year 3 and Year 4 Xmas lunch in hall	Year 5 and Year 6 Xmas lunch in hall	
Parties		EY parties Y56 parties	Y12 Parties	Y34 parties	

In addition to the lunch and parties, the children will be doing plenty of fun Christmassy activities over the week.

If you have any questions about the content of this letter, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Your sincerely

Miss S Clarke
Headteacher



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