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Dear Parents and Carers,

Christmas Tree Festival

The children from Elephants, Lions and Zebras have enjoyed making Christmas tree decorations for the festival and visiting the church to sing and look at all the lovely trees.



'Rhia and the Tree of Lights', The Plough Arts Centre

"Rhia doesn't want to move house. Away from the wild Jurassic coast, away from the comfort of her friends and away from her magical treehouse. As she prepares for the last Diwali in her childhood home, she makes an unexpected discovery in a dusty old box, setting Rhia and her friends off on a thrilling adventure to find something that's been missing for a very, very long time."

The children thoroughly enjoyed this hilarious, heart warming experience. They were taken on a magical journey that celebrated friendship, loss, differences and the festival of Diwali.



Christmas Performances

Single-class performances are taking place in the hall which is well ventilated. Unfortunately we can only welcome a maximum of two guests per family. Please arrive ten minutes before the start of the performance. We will continue to review and assess the situation and keep you informed of any changes.

Wednesday 15th December, Christmas Meal for the Children

Please find the menu below.

Wednesday 19th January 2022 Nasal Spray Flu Vaccinations

The School Age Immunisation Team have asked us to share the following:

Where the School Aged Immunisation Team would normally aim to complete the flu vaccine offer in schools by the end of December, this year there has been significant additional work to deliver to support the Covid 12 -15 vaccines and all year group flu vaccines programme. In view of this the flu delivery schedule has been extended to February, although we will aim to complete all sessions by the end January where at all possible.

Advice from Joint Committee for vaccinations and immunisations (JCVI) recommend, whilst flu often starts to circulate from late December the peak can occur at any time and can often occur in February or later. Immunising children in January will still provide protection in these circumstances and is therefore beneficial.

The visit date for your child's school has been offered for Wednesday 19th January 2022. We apologise that this is later in the season than we would normally like to deliver and we thank you for your ongoing understanding at this time.

The link for providing consent will be provided no later than 2 weeks prior to this date, and will close approximately 1 week before the proposed date.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee, School Closure on Monday 6th June 2022

To commemorate HM The Queen's Platinum Jubilee the school will be closed on Monday 6th June 2022.

School Admissions for September 2022

The admissions team have asked us to remind all that the primary (infant) school admissions closing date is at midnight on 15th January 2022.

Kind regards,

Claire Grant Executive Headteacher

Diary Dates

Monday 6 th December	Nursery Class presents 'We're Going on a Star Hunt' at 10.00 am
Tuesday 7 th December	Starfish's Class presents 'Born in Bethlehem' at 9.30 am
	Whole School Polka Dot Concert
Wednesday 8 th December	Jellyfish's Class presents 'Born in Bethlehem' at 9.30 am
	Turtles' Class presents 'Born in Bethlehem' at 2.00 pm
	Swallows' and Swans' Classes Christmas Workshop at RHS Garden
	Rosemoor, Torrington
Thursday 9 th December	Zebras' Class presents 'Humph the Camel' at 9.30 am
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	Elephants' Class presents 'Humph the Camel' at 2.00 pm
	Kingfishers' Class Christmas Workshop at RHS Garden Rosemoor, Torrington
Monday 13 th December	Lions' Class presents 'Humph the Camel' at 2.00 pm
Tuesday 14 th December	Kingfishers' Class presents 'A Miracle in Town' at 9.30 am
	Swans' Class presents 'A Miracle in Town' at 2.00 pm
Wednesday 15 th December	Swallows' Class presents 'A Miracle in Town' at 9.30 am
	Christmas Meal for the Children
Friday 17 th December	Last Day of Term



CHRISTMAS MENU

Wednesday 15th December



Succulent Roast Turkey

or

Vegetarian Wellington or Quorn Roast (v)

served with

Fresh Sprouts, Broccoli, Carrots and Honey Roasted Parsnips, Pigs in Blankets, or Quorn Mini Sausage (v), Roast Potatoes, Stuffing Balls, Gravy and Cranberry Sauce

followed by

Ice Cream with Christmas Tree Shortbread

or

Christmas Pudding with Cream

or

Fresh Fruit Salad

Also available Jacket Potatoes served with Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna