

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023**

Dear families,

This week was the first of our pantomime visits with Reception and Key Stage 1 going to see Jack and The Beanstalk. We had such a good time and the children were impeccably behaved. Martha and Harris from Year 2 even got to go up on stage to meet the actors! We look forward to the Key stage 2 trips next week. Year 6 also held their ukelele performance for parents – school have purchased these lessons from Shropshire Music Service for each year group in Key Stage 2 and for those that have done this, it's lovely to see how far they have come. We hope it has inspired some budding musicians! Next week we have our EYFS Christmas performances and also our Christmas Discos – separate communication has been sent out about this regarding timings and collection arrangements. This year we would like to support the Foodbank by collecting donations for a Christmas Hamper – we now have collection points around school where families can donate non perishable items for this. Ideas for foods to donate are on our Facebook social media. Thank you in advance for your support! Best wishes for the weekend,

Samantha Hill  
Headteacher



## December 2023

Monday 4th December	Reception-Year 6 Height and Weight check
Tuesday 5th December	Year 3 and 4 Panto Trip AM
Wednesday 6th December	Year 5 and 6 Panto Trip AM
Thursday 7th December	EYFS Christmas Performance 9.45AM School Hall
Thursday 7th December	Christmas Disco– Letter sent
Friday 8th December	EYFS Christmas Performance 2PM School Hall
Monday 11th December	PTA Christmas Jumper sale on School Playground 3pm
Tuesday 12th December	KS1 Christmas performance 9.45AM School Hall
Wednesday 13th December	KS1 Christmas performance 2pm School Hall
Thursday 14th December	Year 5 and 6 Christmas Performance 9.45am Christchurch
Friday 15th December	Year 5 and 6 Christmas Performance 2pm Christchurch
Wednesday 20th December	Christmas Dinner and Jumper day
Friday 22nd December	Break up for Christmas Holidays!

### FoodBank Donations:

This year to get ourselves in the Christmas spirit and to celebrate the gift of giving we will be supporting FoodBank Plus by taking part in their Reverse Advent Calendar.

During December we will be accepting donations at school, there will be four donation points, EYFS, KS1, KS2 and in our School Reception. Please see the poster attached for ideas of what to bring. The last day for donations will be Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December when we will deliver all of the goodies to the Food Bank.

[Christmas Donors 2023 — Foodbank PLUS \(barnabascommunityprojects.org\)](https://www.barnabascommunityprojects.org/)



## REMINDERS & NOTICES:

### • School dinner menu:

Next week we are on Week 1, please find menu attached. Please note due to Panto Monday and Tuesday's menu will swap and Wednesday and Friday's menu will swap- (Monday Italian Chicken, Tuesday Pizza, Wednesday Fish and Chips and Friday Toad in the Hole).

### • Private Tutoring:

We know that some parents choose to use a Private Tutor to support and supplement their child's learning outside of school. Please remember that it is a parent/carers responsibility to ensure that anyone they are hiring as a private tutor, has the appropriate credentials and safer recruitment checks in place.

### • Coats:

As the weather is getting much colder please can we ask all children bring a coat into school with them.

### Home time arrangements:

Please can we ask that any changes to pick up arrangements will need to be communicated to the school office via email to [admin@oak.mmat.co.uk](mailto:admin@oak.mmat.co.uk) with at least 24 hours notice. This ensures we have adequate time to communicate the change to the required people. Exceptions will only be made to this in the event of an unforeseen emergency.

