



4 December 2024

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Dear Parents & Carers,

Things are very busy in the Junior Department as we head towards Christmas, with lots of exciting things happening. Many thanks for all your contributions towards the King's Christmas Fayre last week; the children had a wonderful time!

As the weather has been getting colder, please can we politely remind you about the school uniform. The only hats permitted are the knitted maroon hats with the school crest on, gloves should be black or navy and we can only accept school scarves. Please ensure every item is named. If, however, during the winter there happens to be a school day where snow is on the ground, we would accept a range of clothing that is suitably warm, including wellington boots, because we would be taking the children out to build snowmen.

JD Fundraising Film Night - Thursday 5 December

We are looking forward to our film night this Thursday after school, where we will be watching 'Nativity!'. If your child is attending, a reminder to please send a £2 donation in their zipped blazer pocket and collect them at 5.20pm prompt. Pupils will be offered squash and popcorn during the film. If you have not already done so, please email Mrs Baker (baker.k@kings.peterborough.sch.uk) to confirm your child's attendance by the end of school on Wednesday 4 December, so that we can ensure we have enough popcorn for everyone.

JD Christmas Play - Tuesday 10 December

Information on costumes came home last night; to re-iterate, please don't spend lots of money on a costume, we would much prefer you to use things that you already have where possible and save your money to buy a glass of wine from King's Friends on the night. Please send costumes into school in a named bag by Friday of this week.

Please place your request for your (free) tickets using the below link, the link will close on **Wednesday 4 December at 9pm**. **If you have siblings in JD, please add both children onto this form and only complete once.**

<https://forms.office.com/e/8dfJPV4Ga7>

We will do our utmost to fulfil your request but cannot guarantee it. Your tickets will be sent home with your child later this week.

After dress rehearsals, the children will bring their costumes home. On Tuesday night, the doors will open at 6.30pm, and pupils should arrive between 6.30 and 6.45, dressed in their costume, ready for the 7pm start.

Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day - Wednesday 11 December

This is a great festive event; we will set up one huge table so that we can all eat together as JD. We encourage as many pupils as possible to take part, so please ensure your child has enough money on their swipe card (£5). It is

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also Christmas Jumper / non-uniform day; please send a £2 donation towards the school's charities in your child's zipped blazer pocket.

Christmas Concert in the Cathedral - Wednesday 18 December

You should have already received an email from Dr Ratcliffe with further details about this and a link to purchase tickets. **All JD pupils will be singing at the concert**; please buy a ticket and come along to support at this event. We will be walking to the Cathedral for a rehearsal in the afternoon but will be back at school for the usual 3.25pm pick-up time. Please arrive at the Cathedral for 6.25pm in full school uniform, for a 7pm start. We expect JD pupils to sing in the first half of the concert and you should collect them from JD staff during the interval. We encourage parents to take their children home at this point as the cumulative effect of the term will mean they are very tired indeed.

Although we informed you that all JD pupils would be participating in the Christmas Concert when we sent the first letter at the start of term, several parents are now expressing difficulties in attending. Whilst we would like every child to attend, if you know that your child will not be able to, please email Mrs Baker (email address above) since this allows us to organise pupil positioning for the performance more accurately.

Yours faithfully,

Mr D Ludford
Head of Junior Department

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29/11/24

Christmas is coming!

JD is getting ready for a joyful Christmas as it is near.

In the classroom of JD1, they created a long ,colourful paper chain that was 37.4 meters long to be hung and decorate JD. It was linked to a maths lesson on estimation.

The whole of JD made snowman decorations out of Fimo to be put on the Christmas tree. Once made, these had to be carefully carried over to the kitchen to be baked.

Four pupils were chosen, one from each year to choose and chop down three Christmas trees for the school.

Angel, one of the tree choppers, said, "I was

really happy it stopped raining in time, it was very cold but I was wrapped up nicely and it was really fun!"

Also in assembly the Christmas post elves were announced, they will start work on Monday.



*Merit winners
this week:*

- *Yr3 Mille*
- *Yr4 Divine*
- *Yr5 Gabriel*
- *Yr6 Nina*