

## **QUEENSWAY SCHOOL**

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Dear Parents,



Please find below details of how we intend to celebrate Christmas at Queensway this year.

Event:	Details:	Voluntary costs:
Decorating the school	We will be decorating the classes and hall ready for 1st December.	N/A
Christmas post boxes	From <b>Thursday 1</b> <sup>st</sup> <b>December</b> , there will be two post boxes this year to ease the sorting process: one for FS and KS1 and the other for KS2. Both will be kept in the reception area for children to post their cards in. We ask that you write the recipient's name and class clearly on the front of the envelope.	N/A
Christmas Jumper Day	This is happening on <b>Friday 9</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>December</b> . Children can wear a Christmas jumper instead of the school blue jumper and bring in a £1 donation which is shared between Save the Children and our PTA. Children are still required to wear school trousers/skirts with their Christmas jumper. Staff will have donation tubs on the doors for children to put the money in.	£1
Christmas craft	Each child will be making a Christmas craft to bring home on <b>Friday 9</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>December.</b> There will be donation tubs on the door for parents to contribute to if they wish. Funds will go to our PTA.	No set cost- voluntary contributions
Year 2 Nativity	Children in Year 2 will be performing the nativity play to the rest of the school on <b>Monday 12</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>December at 1:30pm</b> then to their family and friends on <b>Tuesday 13</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>December at 1:30 and 6:30pm</b> . This will be on a ticket basis and a letter has already been sent out giving more information.	N/A
Christmas dinner	This is happening on <b>Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December.</b> Children will eat their lunch in the hall; it is always a lovely event with Christmas music playing in the background. All children can access this meal. Details will be sent out separately. Children in Reception, Years 1 and 2 are entitled to this free. Children in Nursery and Years 3-6 can choose to buy this lunch, unless they are entitled to Free School Meals.	£2.30 for children in Nursery and Years 3-6 (if not entitled to Free School Meals)
Christmas film	After the Christmas dinner children will be relaxing watching a Christmas film in their classes on <b>Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December</b> , in the afternoon. It will be either a U or PG certificate.	N/A
Visits to Father Christmas for children in Nursery up to Year 3	We are lucky to have a special visitor coming to Queensway on <b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December</b> . Children in Nursery up to and including Year 3 will visit him in his grotto throughout the day in small groups. <i>Every child</i> in the school will receive a small present from Father Christmas.	N/A

Carol concerts/plays	Years 3-6 will be performing a Christmas Carol Concert. Like pre-Covid times, this event will be for Year 6 parents on a ticket basis but we will also be filming it so that all families can enjoy watching it. Children will be performing it on <b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 1:30pm</b> to Year 6 family and friends then on <b>Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 10:15am</b> to the rest of the school. We aim to get the film out to you by Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> December. Any children who we do not have consent to film will of course not be filmed. A letter has already been sent out to Year 6 parents giving more information.	N/A
Disco	These are happening on <b>Friday 16</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>December</b> :  o 1-1:45pm Years 1-3  o 2-2:45pm Years 4-6  The PTA have very kindly agreed to pay for the discos this year.  Children can change into party clothes after lunch. No money is required as we will not be selling refreshments.	N/A
Year 5/6 music workshop	Our favourite music man, Jim, will be returning to Queensway on <b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b> and will be leading workshops in Years 5 and 6. This will be a real treat as we know how much the children enjoy Jim's musical talents!	N/A
Nursery and Reception Magic show	Instead of a disco, our very youngest children will be treated to a magic show followed by dancing and games. This will take place on <b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 10am</b> . Kerry from Come to My Party will be leading it and this event is kindly funded by the PTA.	N/A

As you can see, the children are going to have a fantastic time with lots of fun events to look forward to in December. There are also some shared lessons and 'Stay and Plays' still happening in December, but individual class letters will outline these.

I hope your child enjoys the festivities.

Mrs Sarah Horbury-Jakeman Head Teacher