



## Foundation Unit Christmas Newsletter.

Ho ho ho!

It is a busy time of year so here are a few extra bits of info.



All of the children in the Foundation Unit are taking part this year in the Main School Christmas Play. They are all to be dressed as STARS. We will be sending their PE kits home today or tomorrow so that they can be washed and used underneath their star costume if you wish. ie Black shorts and a white t shirt.

We have already received some of the children's star outfits. Could we have all costumes in by Friday as we are doing a dress rehearsal. Could all costumes be brought in a plastic bag with your child's name clearly written on the bag (If possible, could you also put names on their costumes too) let us know as soon as possible, if you are having trouble sorting out a costume.

The performances are on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> and Weds 18<sup>th</sup>. The evening performance on the 18<sup>th</sup> has been altered to 6:30pm so hopefully some of the Foundation children will be able to attend.

This year we are going to finish off our topic and mix a little Christmas in there too. Our topic has been "What happens when I fall asleep" so on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec we are inviting the children to pop on their pyjamas to have a Christmas Pyjama party! We will be getting ready for Santa coming and having hot chocolate, mince pies, Christmas biscuits and not forgetting to leave some carrots out for Rudolf and the reindeers. You never know, If the children get ready for bed quietly ...... A special visitor might call in to school to see them. Shhhhhhhhh! (F2 – put your pyjamas in a named bag and we will get changed after lunch)



This Pyjama party is open to all of the F1 children as well as the F2 children. There will be <u>no morning session</u> for any F1 on that day but all F1 are invited to attend the pyjama party from 1pm to 3:20pm in the afternoon instead. (It doesn't matter what day the children normally attend – all are invited to the party)

## A few other things.....

Over the next couple of weeks you may notice that your child's reading diary and books are not in their bags. We have decided to keep them over the festive period to check on your child's progress and also to keep them safe and sound at such a busy time. Instead we will be encouraging the children to choose a story book to share with you at home.

The children are having great fun at the moment learning how to wrap pretend presents We are asking them to have a go at writing labels and thinking about why we are giving gifts. If any of you have <u>small</u> boxes and any excess wrapping paper, we would be so grateful for anything being donated to this good cause!

After Christmas we will be moving forward with developing the F2 children's independence. From 8:50am The F2 children will now be encouraged to come in at the beginning of the school day independently, leaving their parents or carers on the playground. This means that book bags and lunch boxes will need to be given to them before they come to the door. The children have become really good at sorting themselves out during the school day and are now fully able to organise themselves. There will however be a member of staff in the cloakroom to help any children should they need assistance. So do not worry, we will make sure they are okay. F1 children can then come at 9:00am. We have a few new children starting in January so parents of F1 children will still be welcome to settle their children in if they feel their child still needs that support.

Parents will still be welcomed in at the end of the school day if they want to choose one of the fifty favourites books together to share at home with their child.