



Ruishton Church of England Primary School

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**Next letter: Any time soon to  
include play tickets etc**

Dear Parents,

When does a week pass without a Government initiative? It's not a Christmas quiz question but the answer's "never". To allow us to keep pace with the latest we intend to take an **INSET day** on January 5<sup>th</sup>. The new term will therefore start on January 6<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday). This leaves two more to be arranged, which we hope to give you information about early in the new term.

The **traditional candlelight carol service** led by Year 6 will be in Church on December 14<sup>th</sup>. You do not require tickets and please feel free to attend even if your child is in another year group. It is for the whole school and the village, including relatives and friends.

**Christmas concert** ticket request slips will come out next week. There will be a matinee for which no tickets are required, and we ask that any pre-school children or babies are brought to this one rather than the evening performances. There will be restrictions on the number of tickets [two per family] because of fire regulations so please be prompt with your requests. Any tickets not allocated after Dec 8<sup>th</sup> will be given out as spares. Accompanying this letter is a **colouring competition** for your children for the fair on Dec 5<sup>th</sup>.

A **small gold ring** has been handed in to the office. If you think this is yours please come and see us. There are also a **number of children coming in to the building** before 8.45am, which is risky. We even had people coming in today through the ICT suite and library. We are considering locking the school doors until 8.45 but are naturally reluctant to do so. **School dinner money** is often coming in separated from the menu and it is causing all sorts of issues for SCS. We don't handle the money at all; it goes directly to the contractors. I'm just a bit concerned that if the menu and money are separated then the child may not be given a meal, as SCS cannot link the two, and we can't expect them to be able to do so. Please put both in a named envelope, even a reused one! Or "especially" a reused/recycled one. £1.95 per meal for Key Stage 1 and £2.10 for Key Stage 2

#### Dates for December

5<sup>th</sup> Christmas Fair 6.00pm  
11<sup>th</sup> Christmas Lunch [menu to come out later]  
12<sup>th</sup> Breakfast Club  
14<sup>th</sup> School carol service at church 6.30pm [also Monday 9.45am]  
16<sup>th</sup> Christmas concert 1.45pm and 7.00pm  
17<sup>th</sup> Christmas concert 7.00pm  
18<sup>th</sup> Class parties  
19<sup>th</sup> Last day of term  
6<sup>th</sup> January Return to school

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