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# **Christmas at Springwood**

# "Believing is Achieving"

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are fast approaching the festive season and looking forward to all the events we have planned with the children.

Below is a reminder from the Diary Dates plus a few updates:

Date	Year Group	Event
6 <sup>th</sup> December	Parents of	Phone calls between 3:30-5:00pm
	children with	
	SEND	
6 <sup>th</sup> December	All	Friends of Springwood Schools (FoSS) Christmas
		Shopping Event
11 <sup>th</sup> December	Years 2 and 3	Years 2 and 3 Christmas Pantomime
		9:30-10:30am
		1:30-2:30pm
		Junior Hall
12 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS and Year 1	EYFS and Year 1 Christmas Nativity
		9:30-10:30am
		1:30-2:30pm
		Infant Hall
12 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 5	The Explorer Dome - Light
13 <sup>th</sup> December	All	Christmas Service for children only
13 <sup>th</sup> December	All	Christmas Dinner
		Children can wear their Christmas Jumpers for a
		donation of something 'chocolatey' for FoSS
14 <sup>th</sup> December	All	Christmas Party (afternoon)
15 <sup>th</sup> December	All	School finishes at 1:15pm (Non School Uniform)
15 <sup>th</sup> December	All children and	Friends of Springwood Schools (FoSS) Winter 'Jingle
	families	Jangle' event from 1.15pm
	Choir	
	18th December to 1st Ja	nuary 2024 – Christmas Holidays
2 <sup>nd</sup> January	All	Inset Day – school closed
3 <sup>rd</sup> January	All	Start of the Spring term
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# Wednesday 6th December

# **Children's Christmas Shopping**



On this day, FOSS (Friends of Springwood Schools) will be offering every child the opportunity to buy a maximum of **two small wrapped gifts for family members.** They are suggesting contributions of £2 towards the cost of these. **Please ensure the children bring in their money in a sealed envelope with their name on.** 

#### **Monday 11th December**

Years 2 and 3 will be performing 'Cinderella Rockafella'. Please can we respectfully request that only two adults attend as there is limited space in the halls. However there are two performances, so two adults could attend the morning performance and the other two could attend the afternoon show. No children will be admitted, however the school will be offering a crèche service during the performance. The crèche will be based in the infant family room. Please can I ask that you email the school offices on adminoffice@springwood.hants.sch.uk ahead so we know how many children are likely to be in the crèche.

Adults will be signing you in for the performance. Doors will open at 9:15am and 1:15pm.

## Tuesday 12th December



EYFS and Year 1 will be performing the 'Christmas Nativity'. Please can we respectfully request that only two adults attend as there is limited space in the halls. However there are two performances, so two adults could attend the morning performance and the other two could attend the afternoon show. No children will be admitted, however the school will be offering a crèche service during the performance. The crèche will be based in the infant family room. Please can I ask that you email the

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I am so looking forward to seeing the children's and your faces. These performances will be so much fun and will certainly make us all proud.

### Wednesday 13th December

Amidst all the excitement, I believe it is important for children to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. On this day, they will attend a Christmas Service in school during which they will sing some Christmas Carols and listen to the Christmas Story.

### **Donations for Chocolate Tombola**

I am inviting children to wear a Christmas Jumper on this day in exchange for a donation of something chocolatey (big or small). All chocolate donations will be passed to Friends of Springwood Schools (FoSS) ready for their Winter Jingle Jangle event.







#### **Christmas Dinner**

Why not make a meal of it?! Children are invited to enjoy a Christmas dinner at lunchtime on this day and have the choice of either Turkey or Vegetable Wellington with all the usual trimmings.



Junior children will need to purchase their school dinner which is the usual price of £3.00 via SCOPay No payment is required for children entitled to free school meals.

All children must choose a lunch option on SCOpay by Friday 1st December

## Thursday 14th December

Children can come into school in their party outfits. Instead of bringing a food contribution, please can I ask that the children either bring in a lunch box or a sealed plate of party food with their name on. Crisps and chocolate are allowed! The kitchen will also provide a pizza slice and Christmas cookie for every child. Please remember that we are a nut free school due to allergies.



# Friday 15th December

School will close for the Christmas break at **1:15pm**.

#### Winter Jingle Jangle

Get your Christmas break off to a festive start by sharing a hot chocolate and mince pie in the Junior School Hall and car park from 1.15pm. There may even be snowy weather forecast! Our choir will perform some Christmassy numbers and of course there will be a chocolate tombola and Christmas Raffle.

On this day Infant children will automatically receive a packed lunch and will be making their choices in class ahead of the date. Junior children will need to sign up for their lunch by Friday 1st December at the cost of £3.00 via SCOpay. No payment is required for children entitled to free school meals. If you do not pre-order a lunch for this day, you will need to provide a lunch to bring into school on the day. Normal collection procedures will occur on this day at 1.15pm as they do at 3pm. Please email the admin office if there are any changes.

# Did you know that online Christmas shopping can help our schools?

If you plan to shop for Christmas using online services and haven't yet signed up to our easy fundraising page, it's easy and completely FREE. 6,100 shops and sites will donate to us when you use it and there is no extra cost to you! Every donation you raise makes a difference to us so please sign up & share today. <a href="https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/springwoodfederation/?invite=KSQUAH%26referral-campaign=c2s%26utm">https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/springwoodfederation/?invite=KSQUAH%26referral-campaign=c2s%26utm</a> campaign=admin-trigger%26utm content=srt

We look forward to welcoming all the children back on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2024.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Festive wishes to you all.

Mrs J Livingstone

**Executive Headteacher** 

