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Christmas Festivities at The Mill

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

Here are the Christmas celebration events coming up before the end of term.

I hope you will forgive us for letting you know this information now rather than any earlier, but, like many of our neighbouring schools, we have had to seek advice from the DfE due to an increase in positive cases of Covid in the school. They have informed us of some of the steps we can take to avoid further transmission.

In the best interests of trying to make sure our children, families and staff have as healthy Christmas break as possible, we have decided to move EYFS nativities and year group singing performances to recorded online events. With the support of our PTA, we have decided together that a 'Spring Fair' will replace our Christmas Fair. This is because the advice in West Sussex is to avoid hosting events which involve a crowd or large gathering at this time.

These events are still all going ahead as planned:

- **Christmas Raffle**, tickets on sale next week and we will do a Facebook live on Thursday 2nd December in the morning to draw the winners. The PTA Facebook page is "The Mill Primary Academy- PTA"
- The PTA will also be selling **Christmas Cakes** after school on Thursday 2nd December. £3 for a box of 6.
- Monday 6th December, the PTA will have a **Sweet and Toy Stall** at the start or end of the school day alongside their famous **Pluck a Turkey Tombola**.
- **PTA Breakfast with Santa** Wednesday 15th December – Now fully booked.
- **Christmas Jumper Day** Wednesday 15th December. Christmas jumpers are encouraged but if your child wants to go all out in a head to toe Christmas outfit - go for it!
- **Christmas Lunch Day** Wednesday 15th December – book via <https://theeasy lunchcompany.co.uk/>

As always, if you would rather your child not participate in any of the activities, we respect your decision as parents and carers and would politely ask that you let the school office know, addressing your email to the class teacher. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

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