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Dear Parents and Carers,

As Christmas approaches, the diary is filling up with exciting events and we hope that you will be able to join us for as many of them as possible.

Class Assemblies

On Tuesday 22nd November, Year 6 will be presenting some of their recent work to the rest of the school and we would like to invite their parents to come and celebrate their achievements with them. The assembly will start at 2:20. Please try to attend as we are so proud of our Year 6 and all they have achieved so far this year.

On Tuesday 29th November, Year 4 will be sharing some of their learning with the rest of the school and so we would like to invite Year 4 parents to attend that assembly to find out all the exciting things that year 4 children have learned so far this year. Again, this assembly will start at 2:20, in the school hall.

Christmas Dinner

We have some of the best food in Halifax served at Abbey Park and I know our school Christmas dinner will be absolutely delicious! We would urge all children to have a traditional Christmas dinner at school on Tuesday 13th December. If your child/ren already has a dinner you don't need to do anything more, but if your child/ren usually have sandwiches and they would like a dinner on this date, please complete the slip below and send in £2.00 by Friday 2nd December.

Christmas Fair

We will be having our Christmas Fair on Friday 2nd December. This will start at 2:30 and we still have vacancies for stalls at a charge of £10.00. Please contact the school office if you wish to purchase a place for a stall. We will be having a tombola stall and require donations for this such as: full, unopened bottles, boxes of chocolates or toiletries or something similar. If you can donate such items, please bring them to school next week.

Nativity

Early Years and Key Stage 1 will be performing our Nativity again this year.

This is on Wednesday 14th December. The first performance is at 10:00am and the second performance is at 2:00pm. Because we anticipate high demand for places at these performances, we will be selling tickets at a cost of £1.00 per ticket. Families will be limited to two tickets per child in the first instance. If we still have places available after the first rush, more tickets will be issued.

Class Parties

These will be on Thursday 15th December at 1:00pm and will be organised by the class teachers and the children. They will send more information about these nearer the time.

Carols Round the Tree

We would love you to join us for traditional carols round the Christmas tree and a cup of coffee and a mince pie on Friday December 16th at 2:00pm. Year 6 will be leading the school with traditional readings and festive thoughts.

We have an exciting time ahead! I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible during the Festive Season. Thank you in advance for supporting Abbey Park Primary Academy and our values.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. E Ford
Principal

Reply Slip

CHRISTMAS DINNER

My child _____ in year _____ would like a Christmas dinner on Tuesday 13th December.

My child is entitled to Free School Meals

I enclose £2.00

NATIVITY

Child's name _____

I require _____ tickets

(Tickets will be issues at a later date)

At Abbey Park Primary Academy, we are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and we expect all members of the school community to share this commitment. Our school actively promotes fundamental British values. This commitment includes staff, governors, volunteers and contractors working on the school site.

We have a number of policies and procedures in place that contribute to our safeguarding commitment and these can be found on our website.

Sometimes we need to share information and work in partnership with other agencies when there are concerns about a child's welfare. We will ensure that our concerns about pupils are discussed with parents/carers first, unless we have reason to believe that this would be contrary to the child's welfare.

We actively support the Government's Prevent Agenda to counter radicalisation and extremism.

Our Safeguarding Leads are;

- Mrs Ford (Principal)
- Mrs Kermotschuk (Vice Principal)
- Miss Priestley (Pastoral Support)

They are the lead people in our school and the people to contact if you have concerns about a child.

