# **Countdown to Christmas**

It is that time of the year again and to add to the festivities there will possibly be some slight disruption at the end of term when some Film Work will be taking place in the village outside school at the Rose and Crown on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> and Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December.

Due to the filming, parking in the centre of the village will be limited. Alternative parking will be made available in the Village Hall and within Paddocks 4 Paws (dog field behind pub). Marshalls will be on hand to help you park up if necessary. We strongly advise you to park in either of these areas and walk to the school on both of these days, access to the village parking will be possible but, the Pub Car Park will not be available and parking in the village will be slightly reduced. Please allow additional time for your journey. Pedestrian access to the school will be possible at all times, but again, please do allow additional time.

Please look at the Christmas activities that are taking place and throughout the week and the advice on where to park at that time.

## Tuesday 16th December

Christingles will be made in classes – children need to bring in **an orange** (about the size of a tennis ball) – not satsuma/easy peeler/clementine please

6.30pm – Key Stage 2 Carol Concert in St Joseph's Church

Preparation for the film work begins. There will be 2 vans parked in the pub car park. Parking for school events can continue as normal.

#### Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December

9.00am – Piano Christmas concert – Parents of children who will be performing have been invited. Parents who are attending the concert will be able to park as they normally would when attending this event.

10.30am – the choir will be performing at The Steppes/Moreton Hill residential care homes. Parents who are supporting with transport will be able to use half of the pub car park.

Christmas Lunch – children are welcome to wear a Christmas hat, thank you to the PTA once again for providing crackers for all of the children.

Children making Christingles in classes

2.00pm – pantomime at school

Preparation for the film work 8.00am – 6.00pm. Half of the pub car park will be in use by the preparation team – vans and cars will be parked. The village hall and Paddocks 4 Paws will be available for additional parking spaces – please ensure you allow additional time at school drop off and collection.

### Thursday 19th December

9.00am KS1 Christingle 10.00am KS2 Christingle in St Joseph's Church – all parents/grandparents welcome to join us

Parents joining us for the Christingle can park at the village hall, Paddocks 4 Paws or on the street in the village (except for the coned off areas). Any car left on the street in the village will need to have left by midday.

2.00pm Community Carols at the convent – all parents welcome to join us For parents who are able to join us for this event, please park in Paddocks 4 Paws.

Filming work will be taking place. The crew will begin to arrive from 9am. Traffic management will be in operation from 9.30am. There will be no parking in the pub car park and the street outside the car park and the pub opposite will be coned off. There is parking at the village hall and Paddocks 4 Paws at all times.

During the day when traffic management is in place, if a parent needs to gain access to school (eg to collect an ill child) access will be granted as long as it is safe to do so – however please expect delays or rerouting if you arrive while filming is taking place.

For school collection – please arrive no earlier than 3pm, collect your child and leave as quickly as you can – by 3.30pm when possible.

For parents collecting from OOSC – please park in Paddocks 4 Paws or village hall. Please allow additional time when dropping off and collecting your child/children at school and then leave as quickly as you can.

#### Friday 20th December

Christmas Jumper Day – donations online to Save the Children via this link: <u>Christmas Jumper Day</u>

8.15am - Breakfast with Santa in the Hall – for children who have signed up 8.40am start for the children who are not coming to Breakfast with Santa PTA Christmas raffle

Christmas Parties in classrooms - children bring a plate of snacks for themselves.

1.30pm - End of the Autumn Term ©

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During the day when traffic management is in place, if a parent needs to gain access to school (eg to collect an ill child) access will be granted as long as it is safe to do so – however please expect delays or rerouting if you arrive while filming is taking place. The filming should be in the pub by 1.30pm enabling parents to collect their children – please allow for a longer walk from the village hall/ Paddocks 4 Paws.

For parents collecting from OOSC – please park in Paddocks 4 Paws or village hall. Please allow additional time when dropping off and collecting your child/children at school and then leave as quickly as you can.

Thank you for your support in making sure that your child has what they need in school at the right time for all of these fun activities. Also for your understanding of the added disruption to your school drop offs and collections during the last few days of term. The company understand the impact on families at this busy time of year and as a show of appreciation and to thank you all for your patience have donated £400 to the PTA. This money will go towards supporting the next phase of the playtime developments.