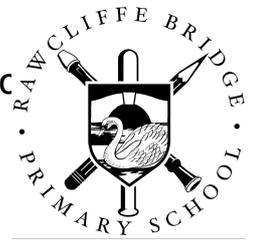




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## NEWSLETTER –20th November 2020

### Christmas Nativities

As we have commenced our rehearsals for the Christmas Productions this year, some of our parents have raised concerns over the fact that we are going ahead with this. I have explained that, as much as these are a celebration of Christmas (greatly needed with all the press about Christmas being cancelled), they also provide wonderful learning opportunities across a wide range of subjects. I have also reassured parents that we are following our own guidance in order to keep pupils and staff protected from the virus.

It is unfortunate that something so enjoyed by the pupils has been tainted with such negative reactions and it is unfair for staff to be working so hard under extremely difficult circumstances currently, only to then have to deal with unpleasantness around this. We feel that we are being placed in an impossible position and have made the extremely difficult decision to cancel some of this year's nativities. This saddens us all deeply as fundamentally it is then the children who miss out.

As we feel strongly that our Reception children should not miss out on their first nativity, Class 1 from each school will still perform and record theirs.

### Christmas Fayre

This will be our first opportunity this year to see you all and for children to be involved in a wonderful community event! It has been scheduled for Sunday 6th December, 3:30-6:00 at each school. Rather than being based in the hall as we did last year, we will make use of outdoor areas outside each classroom, in order to follow 'the rule of 6' and to allow social distancing. If the national lockdown is extended, we will unfortunately have to cancel, but all being well, we hope to see you all there!

### Half Day Closing

To allow school to be fully cleaned before closing for Christmas but also allowing our premises staff much deserved time off, we will be closing school at 12:00 on Friday 18th December. Our after school provision will be available from 12:00 - please enquire at [office@rawcliffe.primary.eriding.net](mailto:office@rawcliffe.primary.eriding.net) or 01405 839282 for our session prices.





