Dear Parent/Carers,

Christmas at Deansfield

As you know Deansfield is always a very busy school, but at Christmas everything is in full swing! We will be holding four separate Christmas events, see below. These events are always very popular and therefore space is limited to two tickets per family. Please do not request more tickets as this may result in your duplicate booking being cancelled without consultation. Details of the events are listed below:

- Nursery Friday 9th December All children 8.45am 10:15am. Tickets not required but limited to two per family.
- **Reception and Year 1** Two performances, Monday 12th December at 2pm and Tuesday 13th December at 10am. Please click here to request tickets for Reception and Year 1 Christmas Performance

If you wish to take your child home after the afternoon performance you may do so, after advising your class teacher.

- Years 2 and 3 Two performances, Tuesday 13th December at 2pm and Wednesday 14th at 10am. Please click here to request tickets for Year 2 & 3 Christmas Performance If you wish to take your child home after the <u>afternoon</u> performance you may do so, after advising your class teacher.
- Years 4, 5 & 6 Christmas Carol Concert, Two performances: Wednesday 14th December at 2pm and 6.30pm both at St Luke's Church, Westmount Road, SE9 1XQ. Please remember that children are expected to attend both events. Please click here to book for Years 4, 5 & 6 Christmas Performance

Afternoon Performance at St Luke's: Children will go to St Luke's after lunch on 14th December. The Concert will start at 2pm (doors open at 1.50pm) and will last approximately one hour. If you attend this performance, you may take your child home from the Church, otherwise they will be brought back to school to leave at the usual time. If you take your child from the Church, please let your Class Teacher know beforehand.

For the evening concert, children should be at the Church by 5.45pm, wearing school uniform. The concert will start at 6.30pm. If you are not staying for the concert, please pick your child up from the church at 7.30pm but inform the Class Teacher before you take your child home.

We will carry out rehearsals during the morning session at the church (Monday 12th & Tuesday 13th December) when we will walk Years 4, 5 & 6 children to St Luke's. Please let your class teacher know if you can accompany the children on the walk.

We hope to see you at the concert. Tickets will be issued to gain entry, and this will be limited to a maximum of 2 per family. Please, if at all possible, make alternative childcare arrangements for younger children.

There will be a collection for FODS projects, Charlton Toy Library and St Luke's Church.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Deansfield Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

On **Friday 9th December**, we will be holding a **Christmas Lunch** at the school for all the children to enjoy. It will be a traditional Christmas Turkey dinner or Roasted Vegetable and Cranberry Slice with all the trimmings and a selection of Christmas Desserts.

This is always popular with the children and almost everyone takes a Christmas lunch, even if they normally have packed lunch. Taking this fact on board, we book a Christmas Lunch for **all children in Reception to Year 6**.

If your child <u>DOES NOT</u> WISH TO HAVE A CHRISTMAS LUNCH AND HAVE PACKED LUNCH INSTEAD, please email <u>dfcontact@deansfield.compassps.uk</u> by **Friday 25th November**. The cost of the Christmas Lunch is £2.59 and should be paid for via My Child at School (MCAS) by Thursday 1st December; there is no charge for children in receipt of free school meals entitlement or in Reception to Year 2.

Our annual sponsored **Christmas Jumper day** will also be taking place on Friday 9^{th} December for the children to enjoy the festivities, suggested donation of £1 to go towards Demelza.

In addition, there will be class parties for the children. Children and class teachers will let you know when these will take place.

Our hardworking Friends of Deansfield have come up trumps again this Christmas; children's raffle and the children's Christmas Fayre – please see the weekly Newsletter for further details. More volunteers are required to enable the fayre to run so please sign up at 'Fairy Volunteer's List' if you are able to help.

We are really looking forward to Christmas at Deansfield and seeing you at this special time. We suspect we may be the first to do so, but we would like to take this opportunity of wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a peaceful, Happy New Year.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs C Daly (Headteacher) On behalf of all the staff and children of Deansfield Primary School