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### Newsletter 8

Dear Parents

**Winter Wonderland** This Saturday, 1 December, followed by the Present Palace on 10 December. Judging by the items coming in for both, we look set for two successful events. Thanks to all the FoTH people who are working hard behind the scenes.

**School Productions** Our school productions are now in sight and everyone is benefitting from the team work, developing individual responsibility and learning new performing techniques. Now on to costumes!

All of Key Stage 2 (KS2) will be performing in A Christmas Soldier and the Carol Concert. For most of them, the costume for the Carol Concert – “old days”; “Victorian” will be absolutely perfect for 1918 in A Christmas Soldier. We will speak to those few individuals in years 3, 4 or 5 who need something different. At the moment we have something in mind for year 6, sourced from school, so hold fire unless our plan falls through.

For the Nativity (Classes 1 and 2) we like the costumes to be simple so please do not go anywhere near Amazon; they don't look right. School has the costume for Mary, Joseph and the Kings. If your child is playing an angel, just a white shirt with some tinsel is perfect. For all other parts the best thing is a shirt or big T Shirt, with a belt or sash (i.e. a scarf) tied around the middle, finished off with a tea-towel as the headdress, and voila, we have “bible people”. The children go barefoot for the performance.

**Tickets** We will be sending out a request slip shortly.

**Nativity** 11/12 December, 5.45pm. Three tickets per family over 2 nights i.e. 2 tickets one night and 1 ticket the other night. No babies or pre-schoolers, also no older siblings who are in the older classes.

**KS2 Carol Concert** 13 December, 5.45pm in school. 2 tickets per family. No babies or pre-schoolers, also no younger siblings who are in classes 1 and 2.

**KS2 A Christmas Soldier** 18/19 December, 5.45 pm. 3 tickets per family to cover both nights i.e. 2 tickets one night and 1 ticket the other night. No babies, pre-schoolers or younger siblings in classes 1 and 2.

**Christmas lunch** 20 December. This is a special occasion and all children eat together; there are no packed lunches that day.

Yours sincerely

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