



# WIMBLEDON CHASE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

## CHRISTMAS FAIR & FIREWORKS

The school has been a hive of activity today with the Friends working feverishly to prepare for tomorrow's **Christmas Fair and Fireworks!** Many thanks must also go to Mr Kimber and Mr Canham and their team for the grand job they have done in making the school look festive.



Saturday's weather is set fair (for December!) and we are sure that it will be a memorable day. I hope that you saw my letter earlier in the week which explained the measures that we have put in place to make the event as safe as possible ([click here for the letter](#)).

Please do remember to bring masks to wear in areas where it is difficult to socially distance.

## CHRISTMAS SPARKLE AND SHINE



The children have been working very hard in preparation for next week's **Sparkle and Shine** events. We really have our fingers crossed that the weather will be kind to us - you may remember that we decided to have all of the events outside this year so that we would not need to restrict numbers and to make it more of a community opportunity to get together at Christmas (as opposed to a traditional performance).

We are going to celebrate by performing a variety of songs, at the front of the school, under the twinkling lights of the tree - the children will only be minimally lit.

After the singing the children will be released to parents and a warming cup of hot chocolate is available for your child. For more details, please refer to the letters that were sent out earlier in the week (which also include the reserve dates if the weather were to be very

wet - if this is the case you will be informed by 2.00pm on the day) ([click here for the letters](#)).

We are looking forward to celebrating this festive time of year with you and your families.

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## KINDNESS COMPETITION

The children are invited to take part in a **kindness competition** (one of our school values) where children in Early Years and Year 1 can draw a picture about kindness (and add some words to make it into a poster if they like) and Years 2 to 6 can write a story or a poem about kindness. I will then read and show some of the work in a Friday or a Phase assembly. The deadline is Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December

[Click here to see the posters](#)



## LOVE IN A BOX



Thank you to all the children who contributed to this year's Love in a Box charity campaign; we collected over a hundred boxes to send off to children, mostly in Eastern Europe, to have a lovely surprise at Christmas.

## CHRISTMAS REMINDERS

**Christmas Jumper Day** is on **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December** - children can wear their Christmas jumpers over their school uniform and bring in a pound donation.

The **Christmas dinner** for children is on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December** - please complete this form if you would like your child to have a Christmas dinner on that day.

Keystage 1 – Reception, Years 1 & 2 – click [here](#)

Keystage 2 – Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 – click [here](#)



## COVID-19 UPDATE

I am sure that you will have seen on the news about the new **Omicron Covid variant** and there has been a slight change in the guidance for schools this week. Staff in school are now wearing face coverings again in corridors and communal areas. All visitors to the school will also be asked to wear a facemask.

The other main change is that any close contact of a suspected Omicron case will be asked to self isolate and take a PCR irrespective of their vaccination status and age. They will be contacted directly by the local health protection team or NHS Test and Trace if they fall into this category and will be provided with details about self-isolation.

**FINALLY**

You will have received information today about the **Parent Governor vacancy** - the deadline for nominations is 10.00am on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December.



Best wishes

Handwritten signature of Mr. K. Ellis.

Mr. K. Ellis  
**Headteacher**

**For further information and guidance:**

**How to order a PCR test if you or your child has COVID-19 symptoms:** <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

**How to order a rapid COVID-19 test for asymptomatic testing:** <https://maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk>

**How to report your rapid COVID-19 test results:** <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result> or call 119 (free from mobile or landline)

Please keep children at home if they are at all unwell, even if they are not displaying typical COVID-19