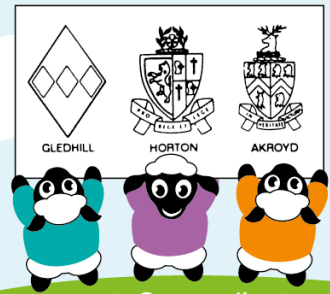


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Christmas in Barkisland School - December 2023



Dear Parents and Carers

Christmas Performances

All children in school, will take part in all the performances. Our Christmas productions will take place during the week of 11th December and is as follows.

Nursery children who do not normally attend on a Wednesday, are more than welcome to come and join the rest of the children for the EYFS Christmas Nativity, although this is not compulsory. Please confirm with the EYFS staff before **FRIDAY 8TH DECEMBER**, if you wish your child to do this. **Please note that there is a maximum of 4 seats allowed across all 3 performances, with a maximum of 2 at any one performance.**

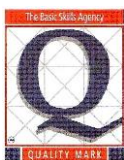
<p>EYFS Wednesday 13th December</p>	<p>10:15am and 2:30pm - Nursery and Reception Maximum of 4 tickets per family, only 2 tickets at one performance</p>
<p>KS1 Wednesday 13th December</p>	<p>9:30am and 1:45pm – Year 1 and Year 2 Maximum of 4 tickets per family, only 2 tickets at one performance</p>
<p>KS2 Thursday 14th December</p>	<p>9:15am, 10:30am and 2:15pm – Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 Maximum of 4 tickets per family, only 2 tickets at one performance</p>

BOOKING TICKETS

This will be done via a school spider survey link which will be sent out shortly and must be completed by **MONDAY 11TH DECEMBER**. To book tickets the survey must be completed.

A text will be sent out if there is any spare availability for any EYFS, KS1 or KS2 performance and will be dealt with on a 'first come, first served' basis.

*Working with the Diocese of Leeds and the Metropolitan Borough of Calderdale
May he give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed Psalm 20:4*



This year we have made the decision that there will not be any evening performances for KS2, this is due to attendance dropping by 24% for the evening performance. This is not the same audience viewing experience and makes the performances difficult to manage, putting extra strain on the remaining children and staff.

Please note for all performances, that if you wish to bring pre-school children, they could be seated on an adult's knee and will not require a seat. We do not have much room to store prams, so please leave these at home or in the car if possible. However, if your child becomes restless and could potentially disrupt the performance for the children or the audience, it may be necessary to take them outside until they have settled. Thank you for your co-operation.

All children in school will watch the performances as part of the dress rehearsals. KS2 dress rehearsal is on Tuesday 12th December and EYFS and KS1 is being held on Monday 11th December.

The BSA will be selling refreshments at the productions and there will be a raffle so please bring some cash.

Costumes

EYFS (Reception and Nursery) – all costumes are to be provided by school.

KS1 (Y1 and Y2) – Mrs Howarth and Mr Harper have sent home a letter with details of what part each child is playing and what costumes are required. These costumes need to be brought into school, **no later than THURSDAY 7th DECEMBER.**

KS2 (Y3 to Y6) – children are to wear a Christmas Jumper for all performances to wear over their blue polo shirts and normal school uniform. **Please ensure these are sent into school in a named, plastic bag by MONDAY 11th DECEMBER.**

Christmas Parties

Christmas parties and a visit from a special person are taking place on Tuesday 19th December.

Children can come to school dressed in their party clothes. **However, all clothes must be suitable for school. No high heels, crop tops, short skirts/shorts and everyone must bring a coat.**

Christmas Dinner

Our Christmas dinner will take place on Wednesday 20th December. Children can wear a Christmas jumper to school with their normal school uniform.

If your child usually brings in a lunch from home, they can have a Christmas dinner in school. A survey link will be sent out in due course to all those on dinners from home and you will be able to select a school Christmas dinner for that day only and this can be paid for on school money, if you wish your child to have one. You will receive a text to say the payment is available.

End of Term Church Service

This will take place on Thursday 21st December at 9.30am at Christ Church, Barkisland. All parents, carers, family and friends are welcome to attend this service.

Christmas Panto

This will take place on Thursday 21st December at 2pm in the Sutton Hall, all children will attend. Any Nursery children that do not attend on a Thursday are more than welcome to attend, please let the office staff know and email admin.barkisland.calderdale.sch.uk.

Final Merit Assembly

This will take place on Friday 22nd December at 9.05am. Our end of term Core Value Badge presentation will also take place.

I hope this helps explain the very busy Christmas programme in school.

Please do not hesitate to contact us, if you have any questions.

Kind regards

Mrs Schofield,
Headteacher

