



# Brighstone C.E. Aided Primary School

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Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the busy Christmas period, which is a time of joy and celebration, we try to make it as special as possible. However, we are aware that some events can mean added pressure for parents, carers, staff and children. In an attempt to ease any pressure this year, we have put together the plan as set out in the table below.

So that we can maintain routine and structure throughout December, we have condensed most of the Christmas events into the last week of term. Highlighted in pink are the things parents/carers need to remember.

The **Christmas Concert** this year will include separate performances by each class – no costumes are needed this year as children will just wear their Christmas themed clothes/non-uniform. Reception children will tell the story of the Nativity and costumes for this will be provided.

**Christmas dinner** on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December: Turkey/Veggie Parcel with all the trimmings followed by Christmas shortbread. Please email or text the school with your child/ren's order before Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December.

December	Event	Notes
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> - All Day	Whole School Panto Trip Coach door to door.	School Uniform. Packed Lunch. Plenty to drink. Be at school for: 0730 Collection: 1530 (see original letter for further information)
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> – 1-4pm	BSA Christmas Fair	In school. All welcome
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> – All Day	BSA non-uniform day	Donations of items to make up Christmas hampers
<b>Last week of Term</b>		
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> Morning	Children will make Christingles	Children to bring in an orange to decorate
1.30pm – 2.30pm	Christingle Service in St Mary's Church	Parents/carers are welcome to attend
2.30pm	Moving the stage from the hall to the church	<b>Volunteers</b> (Parents/Carers) to help before pick up time, please
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Our Christmas Jumper Day	<b>Children can wear Christmas clothes/non-uniform.</b> Donations to 'Save the Children UK' are gratefully received
1.30pm and 6pm - church	Christmas Concert in St Mary's Church <i>Tickets will go on sale in December</i>	Children need to be dropped back off to their classrooms at 5:30pm. The concert will be for approx. 1hr. Children will be brought back to school by staff afterwards, to be collected from classrooms.
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> Last day of term	School Christmas Dinner	Parents and carers to pre book for children.
Afternoon	Father Christmas will pay a visit to the children (thanks to the BSA for organising this).	<b>Children can wear Christmas clothes/non-uniform</b> for the last day.

If you have any questions regarding these plans, please do let me know.

Kind regards,

Mrs Jones

Self-appointed Christmas Elf!