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Dear Parent / Carer,

Christmas is fast approaching and so, given the changes and difficulties that we will face this year with our usual Christmas celebrations, I thought it would be useful to inform you of Wood Fold's plans now so that you can be prepared!

As you will all be aware tight restrictions remain in place in school, which means that we will be unable to invite parents into school for the usual Christmas performances or gather at the church for our carol concert. Instead, we have planned to have professionally filmed class Christmas assemblies which will be put onto the school website during the last week of term for you all to sit at home and enjoy as a family with a mince pie! These assemblies will take various forms and may include retelling stories or be linked to current learning. We will keep costumes to an absolute minimum, but may seek donations of things you already have / can source if possible.

In addition to our Christmas assemblies, we also have the following planned:

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December** – class Christmas party day. The children can come in their own clothes / Christmas jumper. We will spend the day having fun Christmas based activities, such as Christmas quizzes, games, dancing and craft-based activities.

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December** – 'Polar Express day'. The children will come into school in their pyjamas and dressing gowns for a relaxed day of Christmas fun. We will all watch the film 'The Polar Express' and will have hot chocolate and marshmallows.

We also plan to have a charity collection of toys or food for relevant charities. Further information will follow regarding this.

Christmas dinner will still be served; a letter will be sent detailing the plans for this. In relation to sending Christmas cards, these can still be sent if you wish but only to children within your child's own class bubble. In order to ensure that the cards can be quarantined we are requesting that Christmas cards only be brought into school on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> or Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December**, they will then be sent home with your child on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> or 14<sup>th</sup> December.

We hope that you think the filmed assemblies is a good alternative and that the activities suggested will provide a fun and enjoyable lead up to Christmas for your child(ren), but we welcome any thoughts or suggestion that you may have.

Kind regards

Mrs R Gough  
Headteacher

