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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the Christmas edition of the newsletter! I know it's not yet December, but it will be with us very soon, and I wanted to share with you some of our plans for making the end of term as special as possible for our children. There will be lots of different events and activities leading up to our final week, when we are hoping to really enjoy the festive period!

Nativity

As you know, we intend to film the nativity this year and make it available via a link to our families. Year 1 will be leading the acting, with support from Year 2 with narration, and all classes will have their own parts, with songs and dances performed by different year groups. You will be receiving requests for costumes from class teachers soon (these won't be needed for Year 1!) - please look out for these emails.

The nativity will be released to stream on the evening of Wednesday 16th December - we will send more details a little nearer the time.

On the evening of the show all the children will come home with a little treat to share whilst watching - thank you to our FABS for organising this!

Although we never ask for payment for tickets to watch our nativity, we will be inviting you to send in a donation if you wish, which we will use to help fund our next big performance which will be the Year 4 end of year play.

Christmas Cards

We have thought long and hard about how we can still allow Christmas cards to be distributed whilst working within current guidelines. For our school, we have decided to use our usual big Christmas postbox, which will be placed centrally in the hall. This will be placed in the hall on **Tuesday 1st December** - please don't send any cards in before then! Children can post their cards here and ALL cards will be distributed on the week beginning the 14th - the last week of term.

All cards MUST be posted in the post box by **THURSDAY 10th DECEMBER**. This allows time for them to be quarantined - they can then be delivered across all our bubbles. We will text you all regularly to remind you of this deadline!

Christmas Party Day-the last day

We will hold our last day of term Christmas Party Day as usual. Instead of eating together in the hall, each class will have a buffet meal in their classrooms. Children do not need to bring in a packed lunch for that day as all food will be provided. If you wish to speak to the school about any allergies please contact the school office on office@broadmayne.dorset.sch.uk or via phone on 01305 852471. If you have already ordered a hot









meal via the Local Food Links website, don't worry as this will be cancelled. If you have paid (Y3 & Y4 only) LFL will credit your account.

On this day children can wear party clothes (please make sure they are suitable for playing outside!) and we will have lots of fun things to do to celebrate the end of term. On the last day school will finish at 2pm to allow for a thorough clean down before the holidays.

Other Events

Christmas Jumper Day is on Friday December 11th. We do not intend to have this as a charity day in school, as we fundraise across the year for several worthy charities, and as an eco school we feel that it may encourage people to buy something which will be worn just once and then discarded. However, we would like to have it as a 'Come dressed as Christmas' day - the challenge is to not buy anything new, but to dress up in what you can find at home-whether it's an old Christmas jumper or some tinsel you have found! We will be using this day to create an extra special video to add to our Youtube channel for everyone to enjoy. Please don't buy something just for the day - you can make a direct donation to Save the Children with the money you save instead!

We are also expecting a visit from a Very Special Person in the final week, who is taking time out from his busy schedule to say hello to the children of Broadmayne, and to drop off a little gift for everyone, and we have organised an online panto for all our children to watch! There will be some new decorations to look out for, and we are all looking forward to the outfits Mrs Watts in the office will be wearing - she's a huge fan of Christmas and gets very excited once December arrives!

Please remember, school will finish earlier on Friday 18th, as we need to take the decorations down and clean all the way through before the holidays begin.

Christmas Event Calendar	
Tuesday 1st December	Christmas postbox opens
Monday 7th December	Filming begins for the Nativity
Thursday 10th December	Last day for posting Christmas cards at school
Friday 11th December	Come to school dressed as Christmas!
Wednesday 16th December	Special appearance from a very special person!
	Christmas Lunch from LFL
	Nativity evening - snuggle up with a hot chocolate and enjoy Broadmayne's traditional nativity
Thursday 17th December	Christmas panto afternoon - Sleeping Beauty
Friday 18th December	Christmas party day - wear own clothes - no need for packed lunch (although you may wish to send a snack in) school finishes at 2pm for the Christmas holidays







