

## Weston Mill Community Primary Academy



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Dear parents and carers,

With Christmas fast approaching we are considering how, as a school, we can approach this time, allowing children to feel festive, whilst remaining safe in school.

Therefore, we have decided that for this year we are going to video each class/bubble with a Christmas song, which will be posted onto our school website.

For the Foundation and nursery children, who traditionally have shared a Christmas play, we are going to record small groups which will be put together to share the Christmas message.

In order to do this, we will be doing this over a short period of time, where a class will practise and record their piece in one day. Despite us endeavouring to include all children, we know that there might be situations beyond our control which prevent this from happening, as we will be allocated times to do this.

In keeping with the Christmas theme, this year we are asking that children **do not** bring in Christmas cards for one another. We are asking that children use our eschools platform to send other children in their class Christmas wishes.

We would like to still celebrate and support the Save the Children Christmas jumper day and propose this to be on **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020**, where the children can wear Christmas jumper mufti. If you should wish to donate to this, we will have collection pots outside the entrances (as we did for Children in Need in November) so that money can be put away for 72 hours before being counted and sent off. The children often love this day and we felt it was one that we could not miss.

Classes, on the last day of term (Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December), will be also having a fun games afternoon. We will **NOT** be asking for children to bring in snacks or food, but just participate in some fun activities within their class.

We hope that you continue to support us in maintaining a safe routine for all our children at this challenging time.

Many thanks

Mrs Rachel Dinnis Head of School