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Dear Parents,

### **Christmas Productions & Christingle Service**

It is with a heavy heart that I have to tell you that we have made the very difficult decision to move our Christmas productions to be performed without a parent audience in order to protect all families and staff members in the lead up to Christmas. This decision was made after discussions with pre-school about the increasing numbers of positive Covid-19 cases and our current outbreak in Class 1. Pre-school are also not allowing parents in for their nativity.

Having spoken with the Hertfordshire Covid team yesterday, we will be able to come out of bubbles on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December **at the earliest** (depending on whether we have any more positive cases in Class 1) which is after both performances of Class 1 & 2's production were due to take place and one of EYFS's performances.

Obviously, the children have worked hard at learning their lines and the songs and it has been a real joy to hear them practising. I am sure this is as a huge disappointment to all of them as well as the staff who have been working tirelessly with the children on the productions and of course the parents who were no doubt looking forward to coming to watch.

However, all is not lost. The EYFS nativity will be filmed and it is hoped we can put this onto our school Youtube channel for parents and families to watch. This way, so many more from your families will be able to watch, rather than just one or two parents as would have been the case had we performed to an audience.

With Class 1 and Class 2's production of 'Christmas with the Aliens', we will have to wait and see when we are allowed to come out of our bubbles. If it is on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>, we hope to arrange a time to record the show in the village hall. More details about this will follow once we have confirmation.

At the moment, we are hoping to hold our Christingle service on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December in St. Mary's Church in Bayford but this will of course depend on the bubble situation. Once again, we will record the service to allow all parents to see it. We are also hoping to use the time in the church for Class 2 to perform the hymns and songs they had learnt for the carol service.

This is hugely disappointing for everybody. However, we will do our best to make the rest of term fun for the children, whatever happens with their productions. We have already started planning class Christmas parties and we are also hoping that the visiting pantomime can still go ahead on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December. More details about this will follow nearer the time.

Yours sincerely,

*Malcom Foster*