

HUNSDON JMI SCHOOL

Dear Parent / Carer,

A couple of icy mornings have heralded the start of December and the countdown to Christmas parties, plays and the pantomime. Oh no it doesn't! Oh yes it does! You get the picture... ☺

CHRISTMAS MARKET - I would just like to thank everyone who worked so hard to make the Christmas Fayre such a success and to everyone who supported the event. Rather encouragingly, the FRIENDS are unable to give us a final total as they are still busily counting it!

CHRISTMAS BAUBLES – MONDAY 5TH DECEMBER – A special creative day for the children who will be making their own Christmas baubles to bring home for you to treasure!

EARLY FINISH – WEDNESDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2pm – School will be closing earlier than usual today for a special Governor and Staff event. If you anticipate difficulties in picking your child/ren up there will be a crèche available, but could you please notify the office in advance.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA FRIDAY, 9TH DECEMBER – Join Santa from 7.45 to 9.00am for a special breakfast! Ask at the Ducklings for further details.

KEY STAGE ONE AND FOUNDATION PERFORMANCES – 2PM, MONDAY 12TH DECEMBER, 7PM, TUESDAY 13TH DECEMBER - We are all looking forward to this year's Infant production, '*Lights, Camel, Action*' which promises to be Faaabbbuuulllooooouussss Darling! Please remember to get your order form in by next Wednesday and the tickets will go home with the children on Friday.

FRENCH ASSEMBLY – TUESDAY 13TH DECEMBER 9.15am - Come along and join us to experience the children's Gallic charm at Mrs. Fagan's French Club Assembly.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH AND JUMPER DAY - WEDNESDAY 14TH DECEMBER – Please remember that we're having Christmas lunch so please don't send in a lunch box if you've ordered a dinner! Wednesday is also our '*Wear a Christmas Jumper*' day for which we are asking you to bring a £1 to help support our Indian Dalit children, whose education we are sponsoring.

CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME – WEDNESDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2pm - Panto comes to Hunsdon, this year in the form of Jack and the Beanstalk. Rumour has it that he'll be using a cow-culator to decide how many beans Daisy is worth!

CHRISTINGLE ASSEMBLY – TUESDAY 20TH DECEMBER 9.15am – Mrs. Cole would like to invite you to a special Christingle Assembly that she will be presenting along with some of our children. This is a new addition to our calendar but promises to be memorable!

END OF TERM – WEDNESDAY 21ST DECEMBER - Please join us for our final assembly at 1.30pm and the end of term is at 2.30pm.

STAFF CHANGES – Mrs. Wiltshire-Edwards will be on maternity leave for the spring term, but I am delighted to welcome James Storey and Peter Wright who will be coaching Rugby and Fencing respectively to Cedar and Ash over the term. Owing to the changes in staff some of the clubs will also take place on different evenings so please check the Clubs letter carefully when it comes.

JANUARY INSET DAY - Please don't forget that it's our INSET day on **Thursday 5th January** and that school will be open for the children at 9.00 o'clock on **Friday 6th January** – I realise that starting on a Friday seems unusual but I'm sure that there are some positives there somewhere. We look forward to seeing all the children, bright and shiny in their school uniforms and with hair tied back if it gets in their eyes!

Finally, on behalf of all the staff, I wish you a very Merry Christmas and a healthy, peaceful and happy New Year!

See you all next term!

Yours sincerely,

Jonathan Millward
Head teacher