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Dear Parents and Carers

KEY STAGE 1 CHRISTMAS PLAY

We are looking forward to the Key Stage 1 play 'The Angel Who Nearly Missed It All'. I can confirm that children will perform on the following dates:

- Tigers and Moles classes (Cast A) will perform on Tuesday 13th December at 09:15.
- Jaguars and Otters classes (Cast B) will perform on Wednesday 14th December at 09:15.

Teachers will send out another letter shortly for both year groups confirming children's parts and their costume requirement.

Please book your seat(s) via the Parents Evening system on our website:

https://brooksideacademy.co.uk/Parents-Evening/

Bookings go live at 6.00pm today (30th November). Please contact the Academy Office if you experience any difficulty with this system.

Due to limited space we are only able to accommodate three guests per family. We are sorry we do not have room for prams and pushchairs.

There is no charge for this event. However, voluntary donations for the Salvation Army can be made on the door.

If it is essential that you travel by car please ensure that you park responsibly, respecting local residents and allowing buses clear access.

On Tuesday 13th and Wednesday 14th December the hall will be set up for Key Stage 1 and 2 Christmas concerts, so children will eat packed lunches in their classrooms. The lunch options on ParentPay for these dates have recently been updated to packed lunches – please see Parent Pay for the new options and to book. All children currently receiving *Free School Meals* will be provided with a packed lunch on these two dates – these should also be booked via Parent Pay. If you have previously chosen your meals on these two dates, please can you go back on ParentPay and make new choices as this update has removed any bookings.

NO PHOTOS OR VIDEO

Unfortunately, due to the fact that my requests for pictures 'not' being shared on Facebook have been ignored in the past; as well as an increasing need to protect our families, I have no option but to impose a blanket ban on all photography and video during this year's performances or at any other time when visiting the Academy site. This is to safeguard our vulnerable children and families. I would not wish you to inadvertently expose a child to the risk of harm and put pressure on loving families. Anyone caught taking photos or video will be asked to stop or leave the premises. Staff will take photos of children in their costumes, which will be available to view on our website.

If you have any questions or concerns about these arrangements, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

Brian Walton