



# St. Lucia's Church of England Primary School Upton Magna

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Dear Parents/Carers

## **Autumn Term 2 – Forth Update**

### Tree of Light Event

Thank you to the children and staff members from key stage 2 who took part in Carol singing at the Rodington Tree of Light event on Monday evening and to their families for their support. The Parish Council were very grateful of our involvement from St. Lucia's school.

### Barrel of Booze Raffle

We will soon be announcing the winner of the Barrel of Booze fund raiser. Thank you to all who purchased tickets.

### Elf Night

Following the successful Elf Night, £120 was raised. Thank you the St. Lucia's Friends for organising this event. There was great attendance from children in both key stages!

### Extreme Weather

Reminder for parents who may need to review their contingency plans in the event of emergency childcare. If the weather becomes extreme within our local area, advise will be sought and a decision to close the school, or arrange for later arrival or earlier collection may be required if the roads are thought to be very unsafe, or impassable. Closure will of course be avoided as much as possible. Parents will be informed via text message as soon as we receive the latest regional updates. Please bear in mind that messages may need to be sent out early in the morning due to weather being significantly changeable over-night. All school closure announcements will be made on BBC Shropshire radio's 8am travel bulletins.

### Covid Update

We are pleased to report we have not experienced any further positive Covid cases within school during the past month. We do however continue with caution to implement extra Covid safe measures due to the rising numbers of confirmed cases still being seen across the local area. PLEASE ENSURE WE HAVE YOUR MOST UPTO DATE, CORRECT CONTACT NUMBERS WITH AVAILABILITY TO ANSWER/RESPOND PROMPTLY IN THE EVENT OF YOUR CHILD

BECOMING UNWELL AND FOR ANY MEDICAL EMERGENCIES. We advise if your child displays any Covid symptoms including: high temperature, headache, loss of taste/smell, upset tummy, or generally feeling unwell, we would appreciate you arranging a PCR test and to keep your child at home until the results are received. Thank you for your support.

### **Christmas Events**

#### Pantomime

The children will soon be watching a professionally arranged online Pantomime with their classes. Thank you to the St Lucia's Friends for funding this enjoyable Christmas experience.

#### Christingle

Thank you also to the families who attended Sunday's Christingle service in St Lucia's church and the Upton Magna Christmas Fair.

We have been thinking about Advent as an important time of preparing for Christmas.

#### Carol Service

We are preparing for the Carol service which will be held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm. A letter will be sent home shortly to help with the numbers of attendees in line with the church's capacity and Covid safe measures. Children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper with their school trousers/skirt on this day.

#### School Christmas Fayre

The Christmas Fayre will be held after the Carol service on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 3.30pm. Stalls will be spaced out around the hall and other areas in school to allow for social distancing. We are still short of any good quality, second hand items which could be donated as gifts. Please send these into school by Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December.

#### Living Nativity

St Lucia's church are organising a Living Nativity around Upton Magna village on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 3pm. The event starts at De Quincey Fields, before moving to The Haughmond, the Village Hall and then the church. If any families would like to participate, please let us know by Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December. If you are able to volunteer as a Shepherd, Roman soldier, to help with the singing, or participate in Jewish dancing, please let us know.

#### Christmas Dinner

Christmas dinner will be served to the children on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December (free for children in Rec to Year 2, £1.20 for nursery children and £2.40 for children in key stage 2).

#### Christmas Party Food

Christmas party food will be served at lunchtime on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December (same costs as above). Children are invited to wear non-uniform on this day, but please ensure your child brings a coat and wears sensible shoes for outdoor playtimes.

#### Upton Magna Village Calendars

2022 calendars are available at £6 each from school or the village store. The calendars include pictures of village scenes and the month of August is of the school's garden project.

Finish for Christmas Holidays

Term finishes on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 3.15pm with a return on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022**.  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> January is a Bank Holiday and Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January is a PD day.

Kind Regards

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