

Christmas at St Peter at Gowts CE Primary School

We are coming up to a busy time of the year and there are lots of exciting events planned for children and parents. This leaflet will hopefully allow you to keep up with everything that is happening!

Recycled Christmas Tree Decoration Competition

Christmas comes but once a year and there is nothing quite like a tree trimmed with pretty homemade decorations. We are inviting you, once again, to make a decoration for our own very special school Christmas tree. This year we would like you to make your decoration out of something you would throw away or recycle and bring it into school by 9am on **Tuesday 27**th **November** so we can put it on our tree. There will be special prizes for the winners of the best decorations.



Non-Uniform Day - FRIDAY 30th NOVEMBER

For a donation towards our Christmas Fair tombola's you will be able to take part in our non-uniform day.

- On <u>Monday 26th November</u> you need to bring in a donation for the tombola and give this to your class teacher
- Your class teacher will then give you a non-uniform ticket which allows you to come to school in non-uniform on Friday 30th November ready for the Christmas Fair on that day

Remember you must have a ticket to be able to wear non-uniform!

For our tombola stalls we would be grateful for donations of:

- Chocolate eg. boxes, tins, bags or bars
- Toiletries eg. soap, shower gel etc
- Teddies good condition please
- Unwanted gifts please make sure it is in good condition





Christmas Fair

The School Christmas Fair is on **Friday 30**th **November** from 3pm until 5pm. **Children will all** need to be collected from school/nursery at the earlier time of **2.45pm please**.

Christmas Raffle

Every child will be bringing home a book of raffle tickets to sell for our Christmas Fair raffle. A book of tickets cost £1 for 5 tickets. Please write your name on the ticket stubs and return the stubs with £1 by Wednesday 28th November. The PTA will also be selling raffle tickets on the playground next week and extra books will be available from the school office.

Lots of brilliant prizes including vouchers for Family day at Lincoln Castle, Yo Yo's Beijing Restaurant, The Deep, Dominoes, Tension VR, Natureland at Skegness, Family tickets for the Escape Room, Jorvik in York, Fun Farm, The Drill Hall and much, much more.



DON'T MISS OUT ON THESE FANTASTIC PRIZES!

See Santa in his Grotto at our Christmas Fair on Friday 30th November

Avoid the queue!



Book your time (3pm - 4.45pm) to see Santa in his grotto during the Christmas Fair £2.50 per child (includes a present)

Tickets on sale from Monday 26th November from the school office!

Or

Meet Santa at our first ever Family Breakfast with Santa - (Limited tickets)

We are very excited to be able to offer this Family Breakfast with Santa on Friday 30th November. You and your child/ren will be able to enjoy a sausage bap or cereals (vegetarian option available) - £3.50 per child and £2.00 per adult (if eating). Children will get to write a letter to Santa and then have the opportunity to give their letter to Santa and receive a small gift.

Time slots available are **8am - 8.30am or 8.45am - 9.15am** all children must be accompanied by an adult. First come, first served, please book at the school office.

Decorate a Jar Competition

We are holding our annual competition for all children to decorate a jar of any size and shape, you can get as creative as you want using any type of materials, paint, glitter, cotton wool, stickers etc.

When you have finished decorating your jar all we ask is that the jar is filled with lovely, **useable** treats, such as, sweets, chocolates, biscuits, jewellery, stickers or anything you feel would make a lovely gift.

All jars need to be brought into school by 8.50am on Friday 30th November so that they can be judged and ready to sell at the Christmas Fair!!

Christmas Cards

Our school's Christmas post box will be operational from Monday 3rd December. It will be situated in the hall. Please make sure the child's name is easy to read together with the class they are in. Our post people will be doing a daily delivery! Last day for posting is Wednesday 19th December!



Visit to the Pantomime

On Monday 10th December, Reception to Year 6 are going to see the pantomime "Peter Pan" at The Drill Hall in Lincoln. This is a Christmas treat for the children, paid for by the PTA fundraising they have done in school over the last 12 months. The children will leave school at 9.15am and walk to the Drill Hall. They will return for lunch, which will be a little later that day.

ISingPOP Christmas Concert

The ISingPOP concert will be taking place at our local church, St Peter at Gowts on Wednesday 12th December at 1.45pm, the church doors will be open from 1.30pm. The children will sound amazing and it will be a truly unmissable performance!! Please do come and join us. All welcome - no restrictions on amount of family and friends.



Christmas Lunch

Our traditional Christmas Lunch is to be on Friday 14th December.

Christmas Performances

The children in Nursery - Year 2 are practising hard for their school performances. Booking tickets will be online using Parentmail and will be first come first served with a max. 2 tickets per child. The performances will be:

- Thursday 13th December at 10am Nursery & Reception
- Friday 14th December at 2pm Nursery & Reception
- Monday 17th December at 2pm Year 1 & Year 2
- Tuesday 18th December at 10am Year 1 & Year 2



Out & About Singing

Our choir children will be very busy active singing in a local residential/care home on Friday 14th December. We are sure everyone there will enjoy the children singing. Any parent helpers would be most welcome.

Christmas Jumper Day

We are celebrating Christmas Jumper Day on **Friday 14th December**. We are inviting all children and adults to come to school wearing a Christmas jumper or any Christmassy party clothes and make a donation of £1 to support this appeal. The money will be donated to Save the Children. The jumper can be shop bought or you can be creative with the children decorating a jumper they already have. There will be prizes for the best jumpers!



Christmas Craft Morning

We would like to invite parents or grandparents, aunties, uncles to come and join their children's class on Wednesday 19th December from 9am and get in to the festive spirit with all of the Christmas crafts that we have planned!!

Christmas Party Day

On Wednesday 19th December the children are having a Christmas Party Day in school. They will be able to come to school in their party clothes and bring with them if they wish, some games to play in class (no electronic games please). They will also take part in other Christmas party activities throughout the day.



Christingle Service

Our Christingle is on Thursday 20th December. It will start in the morning where the children will learn all about its meaning and they will make their own Christingle. If you are able to help with this, can you please call into the office and let us know. The Christingle Service will take place in church and will start at 2pm. Everyone is very welcome to come and join us.

Christmas Holidays

The last day for the children this term is **Thursday 20th December 2018**. **We will finish at normal times.** School starts again on **Monday 7th January 2019** at 8.40am.

Christmas Events

Day	Time	Event
Monday 26 th November	8.50am	Bring in a prize for the tombola and collect your non-uniform day ticket!
Tuesday 27 th November	9am	Bring in your Christmas Tree Decoration!
Wednesday 28 th November	All day	Return raffle tickets
Friday 30 th November	8 - 8.30am 8.45 - 9.15am	Breakfast with Santa
Friday 30 th November	All day	Non-Uniform Day - make sure you have a ticket!
Friday 30 th November	2.45pm	Children leave school early on this day to come to the Christmas Fair with parents
Friday 30 th November	3 to 5pm	School Christmas Fair
Saturday 1 st December	10am - 3pm	Church Christmas Fair in St Peter at Gowts Church Hall
Sunday 2 nd December	2.30pm	Crib Service at St Peter at Gowts Church
Monday 3 rd December	8.50am	School post box opens
Monday 3 rd December to Friday 7 th December	All week	Final week for clubs
Monday 10 th December	Morning	Reception to Year 6 visit to the pantomime (Drill Hall)
Wednesday 12 th December	1.45pm	ISingPOP Christmas Concert in Church
Thursday 13 th December	10am	Nursery and Reception Class performance
Friday 14 th December	2pm	Nursery and Reception Class Performances
Friday 14 th December	Morning	Lincoln University Pantomime in school
Friday 14 th December	Lunchtime	Christmas Lunch
Friday 14 th December	All day	Christmas Jumper Day - donation of £1
Friday 14 th December	2pm	Choir children singing at local residential/care home
Monday 17 th December	2pm	Year 1 and Year 2 performance
Tuesday 18 th December	10am	Year 1 and Year 2 performance
Wednesday 19 th December	All day	Last day for posting your Christmas cards!
Wednesday 19 th December	9am	Christmas Craft Morning
Wednesday 19 th December	All day	Christmas Party Day
Thursday 20 th December	2.00pm	Christingle Service in Church
Thursday 20 th December		End of term
Monday 7 th January 2019	8.40am	Children return to school