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# *Festive Greetings all Meadlands Children & Parents!*

In preparation for the Winter Fair, which is sneaking up on us, we would appreciate your help. Below is some information and important dates for your diary:

***Saturday 6th December 2025 1-4pm***

**The theme for the Winter fair this year is 'Stars Shining Bright over Meadlands'**

*We therefore are asking all the children to make paper or cardboard Stars for us to decorate the Hall. The shinier and brighter the better! We need them to be handed to either the teachers or a PTA member by Thursday 27th November to be included in the display. Below are some examples your child could make, with glitter paper, shiny cards or coloured in bright colours. So please get creative and have fun! (Please don't use any materials heavier than a cereal box cardboard; no larger than A4. Unfortunately we cannot return stars)*



***Entry fee will be £1 per person. This will include an entry ticket into the raffle.***

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## HALL DECORATING

The PTA will be decorating the hall and tree on **Friday 28th November 7-9pm**. If you can lend us a hand we would be very grateful. We will be playing festive music.

## JOLLY JARS - PARTY BAG IN A CUP

This year we'd like to recruit the children's help in fundraising and additionally help you by clearing out some small toys. Early next week we will be sending home a coffee cup with lid for your child to decorate then fill with unwanted good condition toys (e.g. bubbles, bouncy balls, stickers, crayons, games, stationery) or packaged sweets. We will then be selling these at the fair for £1. (Please be mindful of the content and quality of the items you fill the cups with).

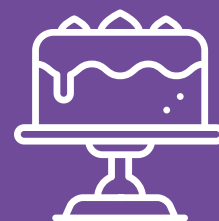
## WINTER FAIR EVENTS

We will be running several events in the classrooms, including the very popular **Stories with Santa**, our first ever **Silent Disco** and a **Christmas Games Room**, including a **scavenger hunt**. **Free crafts** and a **festive colouring competition** will also be available.

Additionally, there will be an **adult and children's tombola**, **food and drink stations** (hot food, waffles, cakes, mulled wine), plus **independent stalls** to browse and purchase some Christmas gifts at.

We desperately need parents to help run the class stalls. Please volunteer via your class reps to assist if you can. Details of individual class stalls and sign up will be shared by your class rep via whatsapp groups.

We are also asking for **homemade cake and biscuit donations** to sell on the day (nut-free only). Baked goods can be brought on the day or dropped with the PTFA on **Friday 5th December** at morning drop-off.



Homemade cake & biscuit donations  
click the cake to volunteer

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## WORKSHOPS

We will be running three workshops. Cupcake decorating with the amazing Tiziana. A craft wreath workshop with the talented Bea and Kitle, and a decoupage workshop with our very own creative Viki. Prebooking for these and **Stories with Santa** will open on 23rd November and can be booked if you click the santa.



*Stories with Santa*

*Click the Santa to book your place*

Booking opens 23rd November

## STALLS

There will be independent stalls to browse, selling homecrafted items. **Additionally we are offering Year 5 and Year 6 students the opportunity to run their own stall** (as a group or individually). Items can be similar to what the Year 5 Market place produces each year (so no food or drink items or homemade toys please). If any children or adults are interested in running a stall please email the PTA.

Please note some stall holders will be using cash, so remember to bring some to the fair if you are interested in buying any items from the stalls.

## PRE-PAID (LOYALTY-STYLE) CARD PAYMENT FOR PTA-RUN STALLS

Following the successful transition to the pre-paid coffee-shop / **loyalty-style cards** at the Summer Fair, we will once again be using these at the Winter Fair for all the activities, food & drinks and class-run stalls. You will be able to buy these for £5 / card on the day at the Welcome Desk using cash or card. There will be an additional card machine at the hot food counter for making larger food purchases there. QR codes will be displayed at the workshop venues for any potential unsold places to be booked more conveniently.



## AMAZON WISHLIST - CHILDREN'S TOMBOLA

If you are able to purchase gifts for the children's tombola, we have an Amazon wishlist. Click on the Amazon logo to see the list. We are also accepting new, unopened children's gifts; these can be handed to the team or placed in the PTFA box by the bike shed. (Please don't leave them in the container by the main entrance).



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### WINTER SILENT ONLINE AUCTION

Thank you everyone who has been involved in procuring some amazing auction items! We have some wonderful vouchers up for grabs that would make great Christmas gifts. These will be uploaded onto our **JumbleBee platform** which will go live on **November 23rd**. The link will be sent out via Class Reps. Please take a look and bid for anything that takes your fancy. Please pass onto friends and family who may be interested.

If you would like to offer anything for this auction please let us know via email.

### XMAS JUMPER DAY

5th December is Christmas Jumper Day! Children can wear non uniform including a **Christmas Jumper** if they wish. Please donate a bottle (or gift) for the adult or children's tombola if you are able.

### WREATH WORKSHOP

We will be running a wreath making workshop in collaboration with Julie, a local florist from Palms and Violet, on the evening of **Friday 12th December 7pm-9.30pm**. The cost will be £35pp for the session and it will be a BYOB event. Using traditional methods, seasonal foliage and natural decorations come and create an original festive creation. We are offering this evening at cost but will be asking for a further £5 voluntary contribution to the PTFA on the night.

### HAM & PETERSHAM CALENDAR

As previously communicated, the **PTFA are creating a 2026 calendar** using the parents' lovely photos of the area. These will be available to purchase at the fair.

### CHRISTMAS GIFT ORDERING - SHOP CLOSSES AT MIDDAY ON 18 NOVEMBER

Don't forget to browse the huge selection on Class fundraising - parent shop, printed with your child's design. You will need your order card with the organisation and design code to approve the artwork first. The cards were sent home in the children's bookbags last week. The PTA receives 20% commission on the purchases. Thank you for encouraging your child to take part - we had over 120 submissions this year!



*JumbleBee platform which will go live on 23rd November*



*Thank you everyone for your support!*

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