Dear Families 7th December 2018

We have had a brilliant week learning about Lapland. We have learnt all about the different animals that live there and have been decorating these animals with lots of resources. The children have loved making snowmen out of shapes and make snowman shapes in the shaving foam in the outside area.

In phonics this week, we have been playing tricky word bingo and have been very impressed with the amount of tricky words the children know. Keep practising those teddy words at home to try and get your certificate!

For homework this week we would like you to draw pictures of the animals you would find in Lapland.

Next week are the performances of **OV's Spirit:** The **Greatest Show**, where the children will be performing Baby Shark. If your child is coming to perform during the evening performances on Tuesday and Wednesday, please would you let Miss Boundy and Miss Cawthorne know they will be attending. Please see the notice below regarding dropping off and picking up in the evenings.

There is now a Postbox in Miss Boundy's room if your child wishes to write cards for their friends. We encourage children to put them in here to prevent other children losing them. The cards will then be given out on last day of term.

Next week we will learning all about Christmas

Lunch menu for next week is 'Week One"

Diary Dates (don't forget to check the school website, www.ovschool.co.uk for up to date information)

Mon, 17th December - Non-uniform day and class Christmas parties.

Wed, 19th December - Last day of school

Mon, 7th January - First day of spring term.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

The Reception Team

OV'S SPIRIT: THE GREATEST SHOW

We hope you have your tickets for next week. Orchard Vale is abuzz with classes practicing their songs and lines. The costumes are taking shape and the scenery is looking amazing for our performances on:

Monday 10th December 13:30— (Nursery, Rec, KS1 & KS2)
Tuesday 11th December 09:30 - (Nursery, Rec, KS1 & KS2)
Tuesday 11th December 18:30 - (Rec, KS1 & KS2)
Wednesday 12th December 18:30 (Rec, KS1 & KS2)

For evening performances please could the children could arrive in class at 6pm so they have enough time to put on costumes but do not have to wait too long before the start of the show. You will be able to enter classes as normal via the playground.

Please could we ask you to leave your child with the class teacher in order that staff can get everyone changed into their costumes and ready to make their entrance on time.

If you are watching the performance please could we ask you to queue for entry by the Community Room in the main courtyard near the school office. The doors will be opened by our front of house staff who will welcome you into the school hall and show you to your seats.

Christmas Hampers - Raffle

We have a wonderful Christmas hampers to be won at each performance. Tickets will be sold at the door prior to entering the hall at £1 per strip. Winners will be drawn at the end of the performance once the children have returned to their classes.

We anticipate the performance lasting for approximately $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours so the children should be ready for collection from classrooms at approximately 8pm. However, we will be able to give you a more precise time after our rehearsal on Monday.

If you are attending an evening performance could we ask you to wait in the hall until all the children have left and are safely in their classes.

Staff will ensure every child is safely collected by you or your designated adult at approximately 8pm. If you are not attending the evening performances please collect your child from their classroom after they have taken off their costumes. Entry will be via the playground.

We look forward to welcoming you to one of our performances and thank you all for your continued support.

Fiona Pearce Head Teacher



Starting your Christmas Shopping?



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- 1. Please go to www.ovschool.co.uk.
- 2. Click on the School Angel link.
- 3. Select your required retailer.

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