

Thursday 07 December 2023

Dear Parents, Carers and Staff

We are delighted to share with you events which are taking place in school and within the community over the festive season.

Date	Event	Time
<b>HALF TERM 2</b>		
W/C 04/12/2023	Careers Assembly - Redcar and Cleveland College	-
Wednesday 06 December 2023	RWE Assemblies	-
Thursday 07 December 2023	Terry Bywater Assemblies (Paralympian Basketball Player)	-
Thursday 07 December 2023	Carol Singing - Location - Village Square	6:30pm - 7:00pm
W/C 11/12/2023	Careers Assemblies - TTE	W/C 11/12/2023
Monday 11 December 2023	Christmas Jumper Day	-
Tuesday 12 December 2023	Christmas Lunch (Year 8 & 10)	-
Wednesday 13 December 2023	Christmas Lunch (Year 7)	-
Wednesday 13 December 2023	Mary Poppins (Show 1 of 2)	Door Open 6:00pm (Start 6:30pm)
Thursday 14 December 2023	Christmas Lunch (Year 9 & 11)	-
Thursday 14 December 2023	Mary Poppins (Show 2 of 2)	Door Open 6:00pm (Start 6:30pm)
Friday 15 December 2023	Christmas Fair - Outwood Academy Bydales	2:30pm - 4:30pm
W/C 18/12/2023	Praising Stars 2 (Date Available to TBC)	W/C 18/12/2023
Thursday 21 December 2023	Last Day of School (Winter Break)	-
Friday 22 December 2023	PD Day (Students not in school)	-
Monday 25 December 2023	Winter Break Starts	-
Friday 05 January 2024	Winter Break Ends	-
Monday 08 January 2024	Return to School (Students and Staff)	-

### **Carol Singing - Village Square - Thursday 07 December 2023**

Mrs Trenholm will be meeting a number of students from Outwood Academy Bydales at the Santa Parade in Marske Square on Thursday 07 December 2023 at 6:30pm. They will be spreading festive cheer within the community by singing Christmas carols. As this is a community event, everyone is welcome so please do come along and join us.

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Registered office address: Potovens Lane, Outwood, Wakefield, West Yorkshire WF1 2PF.

VAT number: 158 2720 04. Outwood Grange Academies Trust is an exempt charity.

A list of Directors' names is open to inspection at our registered office.



### **Christmas Jumper Day - Monday 11 December 2023**

Children are able to attend school in their Christmas jumper on Monday 11 December 2023. The jumper is to replace students' shirts, ties and blazers only. All other school uniform items (school trousers/school skirts and school shoes) must be worn.

***Please Note - If your child chooses to not wear a Christmas jumper, all of their normal uniform must be worn (shirt, tie, blazer, trousers/skirt, shoes).***

Should your child choose to wear a Christmas jumper, a contribution of £1 will be required on the day and all funds raised will be donated to the charity Save the Children. A just giving link will also be available to donate on our school social media page.

### **Christmas Lunch Days (12, 13 and 14 December 2023)**

We would like to share with Parents and Carers our Christmas Lunch sitting choices for your child's Christmas Lunch. The menu is displayed around the school dining area for students to access.

Your child's year group Christmas Lunch sitting will be on the following days.

Tuesday 12 December 2023	Christmas Lunch (Year 8 & 10)
Wednesday 13 December 2023	Christmas Lunch (Year 7)
Thursday 14 December 2023	Christmas Lunch (Year 9 & 11)

On the day identified for your child's year group, the menu below will be available. For the year groups who are not scheduled to have their Christmas Lunch across the three days, the usual choices will be available throughout their sitting.



#### **MAIN COURSE**

Traditional Roast Turkey (with pigs in blankets & stuffing balls)

Or

Sweet Potato & Chickpea Loaf

(jacket potatoes, pasta counter and cold sandwiches will also be available)

#### **DESSERT**

Chocolate Yule Log

Christmas Pudding

Christmas Tree Choc Ice

Winter Berry Meringue Nest

### **Mary Poppins Production**

**Wednesday 13 December 2023 & Thursday 14 December 2023 (Doors Open 6:00pm)**

This year's production is Mary Poppins. The children have been working really hard on the production and are looking forward to performing for you all. Tickets are on sale via iPay and cost £5 per adult and £3 per child. Tickets can also be purchased on the door.



### **Outwood Academy Bydales Christmas Fair - Friday 15 December 2023**

As part of our fundraising campaign for the schools Cambodia trip, we will be hosting a Christmas Fair for students, staff and the local community.

The event will take place at Outwood Academy Bydales on Friday 15 December 2023 at 2:30pm - 4:40pm.

We have secured a number of stalls for the fair selling jewelry, knitted gifts, christmas cards and framed pictures. We have a face painter, candy floss, popcorn and cake stall. There will be a few games to be played. Live music will be provided by a local singer, Annie Lince along with the chance to meet Santa in his Grotto.

If you have any unwanted items you wish to donate as raffle or tombola prizes. Please do not hesitate to drop them into school. If you have any questions about the Christmas Fair, please do not hesitate to contact Ms Emmett via email at [s.emmett@bydales.outwood.com](mailto:s.emmett@bydales.outwood.com).

We hope you will all join us in having some fun whilst celebrating our community and supporting our school.

Yours sincerely

Mr R McGreal  
Principal  
Outwood Academy Bydales