

21/10/16

## Fowey Primary School – Christmas Events



Dear Parents/Carers,

I know it feels early, but it won't be long until we start our festivities at school. Here's a reminder of some important dates and information.

<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov</b>	Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits tickets go on sale for <b>Y6 families</b>
<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits tickets go on sale for <b>all families</b>
<b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	Please bring in costumes for Ali Baba – you should have received a letter this week
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	9:30am Morning performance of Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits 6:30pm Evening performance of Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits
<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	6:30pm Evening performance of Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits
<b>Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	Non-uniform day for Christmas Gift Room Experience 3:05pm Christmas Gift Room Decorating
<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	Christmas Gift Room Experience Day
<b>Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	3:30pm Lantic's Nativity
<b>Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	6:00pm School Carol Service at Fowey Parish Church
<b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	Christmas lunch
<b>Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	End of term parties - have a wonderful Christmas!
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	Back to school

### Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits

Our Christmas production for Yrs1-6 is *Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits*. We will be selling tickets at £2 for the evening performances and £1 for the morning performance. The morning performance is an ideal time for young children to come and watch. **Following feedback at our last PVG meeting, we are trialling a new approach to tickets this year. Please find a separate letter attached with more information.**

**Evening Performances – 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> December.** The performance will start at **6:30pm**. Please bring your children to their classroom at **6:00pm** so they can get changed into their costumes. We anticipate the whole production lasting approximately an hour and a half, so please collect your children from their class at **8:00pm**. There will be raffle tickets on sale and refreshments available.

### Lantic's Nativity



As last year, the children in Lantic will be performing the Nativity separately. We will be sending home 4 tickets to each family in Lantic on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November. However, we would like to invite as many other families as possible to come and watch Lantic perform. Remaining Nativity tickets will be available from the office on a first come, first served basis from Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November. *There won't be any charge for Nativity tickets.*

On the day of the performance, we need children in Lantic to remain in school after normal pick-up time so they can get changed ready to start at 3:30pm. We will provide them with a snack for that extra energy boost before their moment in the spotlight! We anticipate the performance finishing by 4:00pm. *All other children in the school are to go home as normal unless watching the Nativity with their parents, in which case the child needs a ticket too.*

### Christmas lunch

Our Christmas lunch this year is on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December. The usual charge for KS2 children of £2.30 (no charge for infants as all entitled to a free lunch) is made for a delicious traditional meal, including a vegetarian option with all the trimmings. Children having a packed lunch will also be eating in the hall (as normal) to ensure everyone enjoys the festivities. It's always a lovely atmosphere with Christmas music playing, the pulling of crackers and seeing staff dressed for the occasion!

### School Carol Service

On Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 6:00pm, we would like to invite all children, parents/carers, friends and extended family to our carol service at Fowey Parish Church. The service will be a mix of traditional and contemporary carols, with readings and musical contributions from the children. Like last year, children will need to sit with their families. We look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible to take part in this festive celebration.

Best wishes,

Chris Wathern

### **Fundraising Event - Christmas Gift Room Experience**



#### **What is it?**

An opportunity for children to purchase a Christmas gift for a parent/carer for £1.

The children will go into a specially decorated room on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December, where they can select, wrap and label a surprise gift to take home. The event was a great success last year.

#### **Where do the gifts come from?**

On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December, the school will hold a non-uniform day where instead of money as a donation, children need to bring to school any unwanted items/gifts that would be suitable for another child to give to an adult as a Christmas present. If parents want to donate more than one gift, that would be most welcome! Some assistance will be required from parents to select something suitable (maybe a CD, DVD, box of chocolates, toiletries, candles, etc). **No alcohol please!**

#### **When is it?**

##### **Non-Uniform Day for bringing in gifts: Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December**

This will be a non-uniform day, where children bring in un-wrapped gifts (instead of a money donation).

##### **Gift Room Decorating: Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December 3:05pm**

Please sign up on the rota outside the office to help decorate the room, thanks.

##### **Gift Wrapping Day: Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

Children will be able to choose, buy and gift-wrap a present for £1. If there are enough gifts and children want to buy two presents, they will need to bring £2.

**Please don't forget to send them with money on this day.**

*Please sign up on the rota outside the office to help out at our Christmas events, thanks.*

# Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits

## Ticket availability

**Morning performance** - £1 each and you can purchase as many as required - sold on a first come first served basis.

**Evening performances** - £2 each with an initial allocation of 2 per family due to limited seating.

There are 140 tickets available for each performance – sorry no standing room.

Any tickets unsold by Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November will be made available, sold on a first come first served basis.

## Seating

This year, all seats will be reserved. Your ticket will indicate your reserved seat number. If you are able to come in and buy tickets, you will be able to choose your seats. If you are unable to buy tickets in person, and need to return the form below, you will be allocated the closest seats to the stage that are available.

## When do tickets go on sale?

**Advanced booking for Year 6 families** - Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

**Rest of the school** - Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November

**Any unsold tickets sold on a first come first served basis** - Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November

We will be selling tickets from the **LIBRARY** each morning from Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November until Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November. After that, tickets will be available from the school office. If you can't make it in during the mornings, please return the form below in an envelope with the correct money to the office. We will try our best to ensure you get your preferred choice of performance, but can't guarantee this. Please ask at the office if you need any further information.

## ONLY ONE FORM PER FAMILY PLEASE



**Please advise us if wheelchair access will be required. Sorry, no room for pushchairs or prams.**

<b>Morning performance (child friendly)</b> <b>£1 per ticket</b>	Tickets required <b>No maximum</b>	Office use only
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 9:30am		

<b>Evening Performances</b> <b>£2 per ticket</b>	Tickets required <b>Total maximum of 2</b> <b>e.g. 1 Mon and 1 Tues</b> <b>or 2 Monday or 2 Tues</b>	Second Choice (just in case)	Office use only
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 6:30pm			
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Name of child/ren..... Class.....  
(please print)

Signed ..... parent/carer