

Heaton Park Primary and Nursery School

Cuckoo Lane
Whitefield
Manchester
M45 6TE

T: 0161 773 9554

E: heatonpark@bury.gov.uk



November 27th 2023

December 2023 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please find below a selection of useful dates and information for the remainder of term.

Reception and KS1 Christmas Pantomime Experience – Tuesday 5th December

We are excited to confirm that Footlights Theatre company will be entertaining our Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children with a production of Cinderella.

There will be a Panto snack package (popcorn and a drink) available for children to purchase. If your child would like a snack to enjoy during the performance, please send in £2 cash to your class teacher by Monday December 4th so that enough treats are available.

Nursery children will enjoy festive activities in their classroom.

Christmas Dinner Day – Wednesday 6th December

All children who have a school dinner will be enjoying a festive dinner with all the trimmings on Wednesday 6th December. If your child usually brings a packed lunch, and you have already informed the office that they would like a one off school meal on this day please ensure you have paid £2.50 via www.bury.gov.uk/payforit.

Christmas Jumper Day – Wednesday 6th December

We are taking part in Save The Children's Christmas Jumper Day, albeit a day early, on Wednesday 6th December. Please feel free to come to school wearing a Christmas themed top (or add a little festive tinsel to something already in your wardrobe!) and bring a £1 donation for Save The Children. School uniform (trousers/skirt etc) should be worn alongside the festive top.

Following the Christmas break, if you have any Christmas themed jumpers and tops that your child will not wear again, please consider donating them to school so we can hold a jumper sale again next year in the run up to Christmas.

KS2 Christmas Show – Monday 11th December & Tuesday 12th December

Key Stage 2 are performing their 2023 Christmas Show, "What are you going to give this Christmas?" on:

Monday 11th December starting at 6.15pm, and

Tuesday 12th December starting at 9.30am

The show will last under one hour. Tickets for these performances are restricted to a maximum of two per family and will be issued on a first come, first serve basis. If you require tickets, please email KS2tickets@heatonparkbury.com

EYFS/KS1 Christmas Show – Thursday 14th December & Friday 15th December

EYFS and Key Stage 1 are performing their 2023 Christmas Show, "Are we nearly there yet?" on:

14th Thursday December starting at 6.00pm, and

15th Friday December starting at 9.30am

The show will last for 45 minutes. Tickets for these performances are restricted to a maximum of two per family and will be issued on a first come, first serve basis. If you require tickets, please email christmastickets@heatonparkbury.com

Festive Raffle and Lucky Numbers Games – Monday 18th December

Please ensure all ticket stubs and associated money are brought in by 14th Thursday December, additional ticket books are available via the School Office. Our festive raffle will be drawn in school on Monday 18th December we have lots of amazing hampers and vouchers for local businesses to be won.

Our giant teddy bear and the three PRIME Lucky Numbers Games will also be drawn on this date, who will be taking them home...?!

Christmas Class Parties – Week commencing Monday 18th December

Further details will be circulated by your child's class teachers in due course; however the dates of all parties can be found below. Children are welcome to wear non uniform on the day of their class party.

	MORNING	AFTERNOON
Monday December 18 th	Year 3	Year 4
Tuesday December 19 th	Year 2	
Wednesday December 20 th	Year 1	
Thursday December 21 st	Year 6	Year 5
Friday December 22 nd	EYFS	

KS2 Pantomime Experience – Tuesday 19th December

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be walking down to The Heys School, Prestwich to enjoy a complementary performance of The Adamas Family. The high school children always put on such a fun production.

End of term – Friday 22nd December

School will close at the normal time on Friday 22nd December:

Nursery	Collection at 15:20
Reception, Year 1, Year 2	Collection at 15:10
Year 3, Year 4, Year 5, Year 6	Collection at 15:15

Please note, there will be no Afterschool Club on this day, ALL children must be collected at home time.

Return to school – Monday 8th January

School payments – Dinners / Out of School Care / Nursery Fees

Many thanks to the vast majority of families who keep up to date with their school payments. All payments are to be made in advance and not retrospectively. Where retrospective payments are unavoidable, please ensure school is aware of the situation. Unfortunately, we cannot allow arrears to build up beyond a two-week period. Any arrears covering two weeks or more may result in your child not being able to continue to access school meals or run the risk of losing their Out of School or Nursery place.

All payments are to be made via the Bury Council webpage, please follow the below link, and select 'Heaton Park Primary' from the dropdown list at 'All Shops' and click 'Apply' to see all of our payment options.

<https://www.civicaepay.co.uk/BuryEstore/estore/default/Catalog/Index>

And finally...

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE have an enjoyable festive break. Children and staff have worked hard all term and we hope you have a lovely period of relaxation before returning in January!

With best wishes,



Mr P Lord