



14th December 2021

Dear parents/carers of KS2,

Carol Concert

Last week, I updated all parents and carers with the revised guidance following the national increase in Covid-19 cases and the emergence of the new Omicron variant. Today, I have written to all parents and carers again with an additional update and a helpful flow diagram to support.

It was fabulous that we were able to share the Nativities with our Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 parents and carers and we thank you all for following the risk assessment sent out for these events.

Although we have had several updates from the DfE, on Friday churches also received an update from government. I have now had time to read through all new guidance and although we had a risk assessment in place for our church services, we have had to revise this so that it is also compliant with St John's risk assessment too.

With this in mind, we are now having to reduce the numbers of families in church for Friday's concerts. We apologise for this late change of time, but to keep everyone as safe as we can, and follow the most up-to-date guidance, we need to move from two to three concerts to allow for greater social distancing and to abide with both risk assessments. Therefore, the new timetable for Friday will be:

9 am Year 5 Carol Concert (all year 5 children leaving school at 8.40 am)

10 am Year 4 and Year 6 Carol Concert

11 am Year 3 Carol Concert

We realise that for Year 3 parents and carers this is a change of time and for families with children in Year 5 and Year 3 there will now be two concerts rather than one to attend. This affects three families and we have filmed the other class, to show in the church, in case you are able to only attend one of these. We have filmed all sections of the concert, so Year 3 and Y5 parents and carers will still see the whole concert they would have seen when these classes were together, although some of the sections will be on the screen. The filmed concerts, when sent out, will be a Y3 and Y5 concert and a separate Y4 and Y6 concert.

Please read the full list of requirements below and in the risk assessment attached, and let me know if you have any questions or queries.

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The requirements include:

- All attending adults to produce evidence of a **negative LFT within 24 hours of the event** and send pictorial evidence to the school email address: tatworth@educ.somerset.gov.uk between 12 noon and 7 pm on Thursday 16th December.
- All attending adults to complete a second LFT after the event.
- All family members need to sit together with a gap between each family. Families can choose their seats but once sat, we ask that they do not move. Families will need to move to the end of a pew rather than choose a seat at the aisle end and have other families move past them. All families will be able to see, as we have staggered the seating.
- It is advisable for adults to complete a daily LFT for the two or three days leading up to Friday.
- Please only arrive at church 10 minutes before each concert. Adults will be asked to take their seats before the children.
- On arrival, the children will go straight to the front of the church.
- Evidence of negative LFT tests will be checked and parents and carers will use sanitiser before entering the church. A member of staff will help to show adults to seats. There are seats in the mezzanine area and others in the main area of the church. There are clear signs to show which seats are available and which need to be left to support social distancing.

Additional information:

- For GDPR, no photography or videoing can be taken during the showings.
- The showing is a live concert; the children will be sat at the front of the church but will turn and face the audience when they read or sing. For Year 3 and Year 5 concerts, there will be the other class projected onto the screen too.
- There is the opportunity for those families who are unable to attend the concert to request that their children do not attend the concert. Please contact the school if you would like to discuss this further. Thank you.
- We ask that all Year 5 children come to school at 8.30 am (through the front gate) rather than our original plan of dropping at the church. All adults will then be sat in church before Year 5 arrive at church.
- children are to wear a festive or Christmas jumper to school as well as their school uniform.

Please be aware that we must have the evidence of the recent negative LFT and your ticket to admit you to the concert and that each child may only have a maximum of two people to the showing they watch.

We thank you in advance for your co-operation, as I know we are all very keen to see the concerts and to hear the beautiful singing. The link will be sent out separately, so that it can be shared with our wider family groups.

Finally, please be aware, that if at any point the school move into Public Health's amber category for Covid-19, or Somerset give a directive that all live performances cannot go ahead, the concerts will have to be cancelled as we will be unable to attend the church. Also, if there are more requests for tickets for year 4 and 6, we may have to go to four separate concerts.

Many thanks for your co-operation.



Tracey Hart
Headteacher

