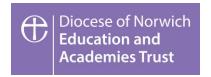


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Dear Parents/Carers

Due to the restrictions schools are currently being placed under due to the rising number of COVID cases, unfortunately Christmas will need to look a little different this year. We know that parents are very much looking forward to a Christmas production, and we regret that we will not be able to do this in the way we intended. Whilst circumstances may change, a decision needs to be taken now in order that we are able to plan effectively for the festive season.

Due to limits on the number of parents that we can have in the school at any one time, we will not be able to have the traditional Christmas play or productions. Any live performance would be impractical as each one would have to be performed on many occasions. However, we do not want the children of Moorlands to miss out, therefore we are intending on organising two different 'events'. Firstly, there will be a performance from all year groups that will be videoed and shared with parents. We are also intending on holding a wonderfully festive <u>outdoor</u> carol concert, where parents will be invited to attend. Full details of these events will be shared with you over the coming weeks.

We realise that these restrictions appear to make little sense at the moment. All schools are doing different things and thousands of people can gather to watch concerts and football matches. However, we have a duty of care to the children in our school and we need to stick to the risk assessment that we have in place. As unlikely as it may be, the last thing we want is to make people unwell during this festive season.

We realise that this may not be what parents were hoping for and, should restrictions be lifted later in the year, we will definitely look to put on a face to face performance at this time.

Thank you for your on-going support in what continues to be challenging times.

Yours sincerely

J Siddles Deputy Head