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Christmas Concert *26th November 2021*

Dear Parents/Carers

At this time of the year like everyone else we start to think about Christmas and in school this is traditionally one of the busiest times of the year. Plans are well established for our Open Night and Evening(s) with Santa over the next few weeks with these events having to be booked in advance to comply with Covid guidance as well as limiting numbers attending at particular times.

As a school we have been planning our Christmas Concert with three scenarios in mind depending on government Covid guidance closer to the event. Working alongside Coagh Presbyterian Church for the last few weeks we have been planning to have two Christmas Carol Services in the Presbyterian Church. At present there would be a performance in the morning followed by an evening performance on Thursday 16th December.

To comply with Covid guidance we are planning to have the following measures in place- Each family would receive one ticket for the morning performance and one ticket for the evening performance (one of the performances will be recorded and uploaded for parents to watch), anyone attending will be asked to wear a face covering when in the Presbyterian Church, windows and doors will be open throughout the church during both performances, hand sanitiser will be available at entrances and various locations within the church, members of the audience will sit one person per pew (staggered to allow social distancing within the church).

These plans are very much subject to change with the current Covid case numbers locally on the increase. A final decision will be made closer to the event and **it is very likely that if case numbers continue to increase then we will need to 'cancel' the 'in person' performances and revert to our planned 'worst case scenario' which is to record the Christmas Carol Service and upload the video like last year to Seesaw and the school YouTube Channel. **

While this is not an ideal situation we do need to be very 'fluid' with our planning and given the current circumstances this is what we are working towards in terms of our Christmas Concert this year.

If you have any concerns/questions, please contact Mr Bayne in the school office or email ibayne452@c2kni.net

Yours sincerely,

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