



Dear Parents / Carers,

At Moss Hall Nursery School we don't start talking about Christmas with the children until December, however, the staff do need to start preparing well before that. We would like to give you advance notice of our special Christmas events so that you can plan accordingly.

Winter Fair - Sunday 1st December 12:30 - 16:00

The annual Winter Fair organised by the MHSA is a fun, social event for all our families and raises much needed funds for all three schools. We need your help to make this a success. On the day we need lots of parent volunteers to help with the biscuit decorating and food stalls. Please look out for a message with the link to sign-up to help for an hour on the day. We really appreciate your support.

We have been asked to collect bottles for the bottle tombola. These can be bottles of shampoo, bubble bath, cooking oils, soft drinks or alcohol. Please start bringing in your donations!

Santa's Grotto is the most popular part of the Winter Fair. We desperately need more Santas! If you could help out for an hour on the day, please contact the school office. Full costume, training and reindeers provided!

Christmas Hamper Raffle

We have a tradition at Moss Hall Nursery School – A Hamper Raffle. Each family donates one item to go into a Hamper. The items are as follows

- Chocolates
- Biscuits
- Wine or Spirits
- Non-alcoholic special beverages
- Luxury Toiletries
- Selection Boxes
- Candles
- Lovely items that you may wish to receive in a Hamper

The nursery team make hampers using the items collected. The hampers are then raffled to raise money for the nursery. The raffle is drawn at the Christmas Celebration.

We would like to ask families to help by donating an item from the list above and then purchasing raffle tickets from the nursery office. Raffle tickets are 50p each or £2 for a strip.



We will collect items from Monday 2nd December and Raffle tickets will be on sale from Monday 9th December.

Christmas Jumper Day – Friday 13th December

We are asking children to wear a festive jumper and make a donation to Save the Children.

Christmas Celebration - Wednesday 18th December

On this day we are asking children who usually attend in the afternoons to come in the morning instead so that they can join in the celebrations. All children should arrive between **8.45 and 9.05**.

We will be celebrating Christmas by **asking parents and carers to join us for Christmas songs in the garden, along with a short nativity**. When you have taken your children into their classroom please come to the parent's room for light refreshments while staff get the children ready.

The singing and nativity will be short (15-20 minutes) and will end with the draw for the **Hamper Raffle**.

Once this has finished parents and carers will leave the nursery and children will have a party in the classrooms. As it is mid-morning and children will be eating a lunch at midday we will be having just a few special snacks in a Christmas lunch box. Rather than asking parents to donate food, we are asking for a financial contribution of **£3.00 per child**. Please put this in an envelope with your child's name on it and in to the office.

The party will be finished by **11.45** and all children who usually attend for mornings or afternoons must be collected then.

Children who attend for the whole day should be collected at their usual time.

Please note there will be no tea club on the last day of term on the 19th December. We will finish at the usual time of 15:45. The school reopens on 7th January.