CHRISTMAS FUN DAY

1 WHAT IS IT?

The Christmas Fun Day is a day of festive activities held during a school hours in December.

The aim of the day is for the children to have fun and all children from both KS1 and KS2 are included.

In the past the day has consisted of running a Christmas Present Grotto, where children can chose a present that will be wrapped to give a loved one (usually Mum and Dad), facilitating (!) a visit to all classes by Father Christmas who leaves them all an individual present and organizing a Christmas pantomime performed by an external theatre company.

2 HOW IS MONEY RAISED?

This is not a fundraising event.

We do sell tickets for the Christmas Present Grotto to cover costs, and we also ask for donations of presents for the grotto by having a Mufti (home clothes) day.

3 FORMAT OF THE DAY?

- All activities are run during the school hours.
- During the morning the children who have bought tickets to the grotto are taken in small groups by class to choose their presents. They then wrap these up in Mrs Hayward's office.
- Father Christmas makes a visit to each class during the morning.
- In the afternoon all the children go to the hall where they will watch and hopefully many of them take part in the pantomime.
- The children are given a present from Father Christmas as they leave the panto and return to their classrooms to get ready to go home.
- If they have chosen a present from the grotto it will be waiting for them in their classroom at the end of the day.

4 CAN I WATCH?

This is a closed event which happens during school hours, so there is not an opportunity to watch.

5 CAN I HELP?

There are many ways in which you can help:

Become a committee member:

Currently 3 parents are on the committee for the Christmas Fun Day. The planning starts around July and some of the key responsibilities are:

- Sourcing and booking an external theatre company
- Organizing a mufti day to collect grotto presents
- Sell tickets in a male gift or a female gift format. Once all tickets have been sold, we can make sure we have enough of each type of gift.
- Buying additional grotto presents if needed and all gift wrap, tape and labels needed
- Buying presents for all the children
- Coordinating a rota to take the children to the grotto
- Organizing Father Christmas's visit
- Coordinating the format of the day with the teachers
- Decorating the grotto
- Organising a rota of helpers on the day

Each committee members spends approximately 25 hours organizing this event

Helping on the day:

On the day we need a limited number of helpers to wrap presents.

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