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Dear Parents and Carers

Key Stage 2 Carol Service

We are pleased to announce that our traditional candlelit Carol Service for children in Key Stage 2 will take place this year at the Methodist Church on Fore Street in Ivybridge on **Tuesday 6th December** at **1.30pm** and at **6.00pm**. We are very happy that we will be able to celebrate with parents and carers together again in the Church, following the last two Christmases when this was not possible due to COVID.

Sadly, though, COVID and the current economic climate, have both had an impact on the Church and therefore on the arrangements for the Carol Service. The Church now has a reduced seating capacity for the congregation and additional health and safety requirements to comply with their insurance. In addition, in order for the Church to host the school, we need to help the Church with their heating, lighting and electricity costs, and therefore, it is necessary to make a nominal charge for the tickets (£1.50).

Tickets for the afternoon and evening performances will be on sale as a payment item on ParentPay. Numbers are limited for each performance in accordance with Church capacity. The tickets will be available on a first come first served basis. To allow fair access for all the payment items will go live at 12.30pm on Wednesday 23rd November. Once payment has been made, tickets will be issued by the school office directly to the children to bring home.

There are so many children and families in KS2 it is possible that some people may be disappointed, for which we apologise in advance. Holding the service in the Church does enable a larger audience than is possible at school. We must respectfully advise that there will be no entry without a ticket and standing in the Church entrance and aisles will not be permitted.

We would like all KS2 children to take part in the evening performance if possible please. Children should be brought to the church at 5.45pm and collected at 7.00pm by an adult. Please write a note to the class teacher if you wish to provide details of any specific arrangements relating to the collection of your child/children. No children will be permitted to walk home alone.

In order to practise, the children will be going to the Methodist Church on Monday 5th December. If you are able to help escort the children to and from the church this would be very much appreciated. Please see your child's class teacher as soon as possible.

Thank you for your support and help with these arrangements.

Yours sincerely

Sue Williams

Mrs S. Williams
Headteacher

