

ORCHARD COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL To Treasure Our Past and Invest in Our Future

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P1-P7 Carol Service - The Gift Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th December 2019

Dear Parents

This letter details the arrangements for our two P1-P7 Carol Services on **Tuesday 10th December and Wednesday 11th December at 7pm**. All pupils will be participating at some stage during each service. We have organised two evenings to ensure that all parents can attend and hopefully we will also be able to accommodate grandparents and some members of the local community.

All pupils should be left at the church hall at **6.40pm** and collected again from the hall at **8.15pm**. If your child cannot attend due to a prior engagement, please let their class teacher know immediately. Pupils should wear full school uniform unless they have been told otherwise.

We are always delighted to maintain close links with our local church and wish to thank Rev D McVeigh and the select vestry for allowing us to use their premises.

Tickets

Entrance to the Carol Service will be by ticket only so we can ensure we can have enough seats for everyone each night. Two tickets for each night will be allocated to each family initially so parents and/or grandparents can attend. Please indicate on the reply slip what tickets you would like to order and therefore any remaining tickets can be allocated to other parents or the church community. There is no charge for the tickets but we will be having a retiring offering each night for school funds and Rotary's charity, 'Purple 4 Polio Campaign'. On Tuesday night the service will be relayed to the hall for any additional friends and family who do not have a ticket. The overflow is not available on the Wednesday night due to another church event in the hall.

Carol Service Preparation

Children will be walking to the church to practise on Friday, Monday and Tuesday morning and may go up on other occasions to practise. Please ensure your child has a coat with them. Please encourage and help your child learning words/lines.

Parking

Each evening, parking will be available in the church car park or the school car park and you can walk up to the church via the school back gate. Please park carefully in the car parks and respect our neighbours by not parking over entrances to houses.

Considering the limited space and the fact that the pupils will have put a lot of time and effort into their performance, we want to ensure that younger children do not cause disruption during the service. It may be better to leave them at home with a family member as an hour is a long time to sit quietly for pre-school children.

We are looking forward to a great community Carol Service and hope you can all attend.

Yours faithfully *Mrs J McMillan* Principal

Carol Service - Return by Monday, 25th November

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