



# ROBERT MELLORS PRIMARY ACADEMY

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Dear parents/carers,

## November and December (Christmas!) events and dates!

It has been good to see the children back at school this week and getting settled back into their learning. The staff have been grateful to be able to share with you your child's progress during parent evening appointments. If, for any reason, you have been unable to attend a meeting, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher and they will try to catch up with you at some point soon.

We are heading towards a very busy period in the primary school diary, and I would like to share with you some important dates so that you can add them to your home calendars. Please note that there may be more dates to come.

November	
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	PFR Glow Parties
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Flu Vaccinations
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Non-Uniform day – donate a bar of chocolate or sweet treat
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	NSPCC workshops – Y2, 5 & 6
December	
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	PFR Christmas Market after school
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Rock Steady Club concert @ 9:30am
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Choir to sing at Arnold Tea Rooms
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	am – KS1 Nativity
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	am – Y6 Bikeability
	pm – KS1 Nativity
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 Bikeability
	Christmas Dinner day (info to follow)
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Jolabokafloð
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	am and pm – KS2 Carol Concert
	pm – F2 Cinema trip
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	am and pm – Little and Big Herons Christmas songs
	pm – F2 Christmas performance; Arnold Market Cafe
	PFR Christmas parties – all year groups
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of term
	Pick up from 2pm

We will be distributing tickets for the performances at the start of December. Please keep your eye out for letters explaining more about this.

You will see from the diary dates that the PFR have organised the Christmas Market for the 3<sup>rd</sup> December. This will take place in the hall after school. At this event, we will hold a Chocolate and Sweet Tombola, which we know will be

really popular. To stock the tombola, we are asking for donations of chocolates and other goodies which the children can bring to school on **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>** in exchange for wearing non-uniform to school for the day.

For the past few years, we have been celebrating 'Jolabokafloð' (the Christmas Book Flood) in school. Jolabokafloð is the Icelandic tradition of receiving and reading a book at Christmas. On this day, the children will spend time in their classrooms enjoying a book and a cup of hot chocolate with their friends.

Our annual Christmas parties will take place on 19<sup>th</sup> December. The children can wear their party clothes to school on this day and each year group will take a turn in the hall when they will have party snacks, games and dancing thanks to our PFR volunteers. If you would like to help with this, or any other of the PFR events, please contact the school office who will pass on your details to the team who will be very grateful for your help.

Finally, happy news! Miss Barber got married over the half term holiday and is now Mrs Hickman. We are all getting used to using her new, married name and are looking forward to seeing the photos when they arrive.

Best wishes

Mrs Essex



