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Dear Parents,

**Christmas Singing at Dodford Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2020**

We are hoping to sing a few songs as part of our Christmas celebrations this year at Dodford. We would normally have been able to do this through our Christmas performance and church Carol Service, but as with so many other things this year, we are unable to do this so we have made plans which we hope will allow you to celebrate with your children the magic of Christmas at Dodford. To enable us to do this under the current COVID restrictions we have decided to hold mini-services outside.

Please read the following information carefully as we have had to put a lot of detail into our risk assessment for this event to ensure that we sing in a safe way as recommended by Public Health and WCF.

Each class bubble will sing separately and we will sing in the same order that we would usually dismiss the children at the end of the day. The children will be stood on the playground, facing the field and parents you will be asked to enter the field via the field gate and stand socially distanced on the field (yes – we suggest you wear wellies!!). There will be a limit of two adults per child allowed to attend.

As always, we cannot prevent you from filming your child but please be aware that many parents do not wish their child to be on film and have not given permission for their child's image to be shared publicly. Therefore, **do not** post any pictures or footage on any social media platforms. Thank you.

The children will sing at the following times and then they can leave to go home. Please do not come more than 5 minutes before your allocated time.

Reception – 2.15pm – 2.25pm

Years 1 and 2 – 2.35pm – 2.55pm

Years 3 and 4 – 3.05pm – 3.15pm

**Please take note of the procedure for the afternoon:**

1. Children will sing a small selection of songs.
2. Children who do not have older siblings will be dismissed to you via the carpark gate as usual.
3. Children with older siblings or going to after school club will go back to class and will be dismissed to you or to after school club later.

This process will be repeated for each class.

If you have a child singing in the next class please remain on the field. However, if you have a child in Reception and in Years 3 and 4, then you will need to leave the field and wait in the carpark until Years 1 and 2 have completed their songs.

We ask that all parents/adults wear masks or face coverings to keep everyone safe whilst on the school site. Please be mindful when parking and moving on and off site as the paths, roads and site will be busier than usual.

Unless the weather is particularly bad or the current lockdown is still in place (preventing social gatherings), then we will still go ahead with the event.

We can only run this event if we all work together to keep everyone as safe as possible and we will bring the event to a sudden end if we feel that it is becoming unsafe for staff, children or parents.

Kind regards,

Mrs Lisa Parkes  
**Headteacher**

