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Dear Parents

Prep & Senior School Christmas Events

On **Monday 11 December** at 7pm in the Prep & Senior School Hall we shall be holding our annual evening of **Carols & Cocoa**. This is a very informal and completely optional occasion and is a chance to come together to sing both "seasonal songs" and carols and enjoy some hot chocolate or mulled wine with a mince pie during the interval. The dress code on this occasion is appropriate attire for "carol singing", so seasonal adornments (reindeer antlers and a bit of tinsel) are most welcome!

There will be no cost or ticketing for this event. However, due to fire safety requirements, the Prep & Senior School Hall has a limited capacity. Therefore, we would greatly appreciate it if you could email Miss Ward (linda.ward@redhouseschool.co.uk) by Friday 8 December, if you would like to attend this event. This will also assist us with catering arrangements. Please indicate how many people will be attending; you do not need to include children participating in the evening's entertainment.

Our Prep & Senior School Christmas Service of **Nine Lessons & Carols** will be held in Stockton Parish Church, opposite Debenhams in the High Street, at 7pm on **Thursday 14 December**. As Red House is a non-denominational Christian school, this hour long service is a very important part of our Christian year. For this reason, we do encourage as many pupils and parents to join us on this more formal, but very atmospheric, occasion. However, because of the formal nature and the length of this event, it may not be appropriate for very young children. It can also be very difficult for the children who have volunteered to read or perform in the service, if there are distractions from the congregation.

Readers, members of the choirs and musicians must be in school uniform and should arrive at the Parish Church at 6.30pm.

Other dates for the calendar:

Wednesday 6 December	1.45pm	Panto: Cinderella (Reception-Year 6)
Friday 8 December	10.30am	Years 4-6 Christmas Production "It's Chri-i-i-stmas!"
Monday 11 December		Years 7-11 Last day to hand in Charity Bag gift
Wednesday 13 December	4.15-6pm	Years 4-6 Christmas party
Wednesday 13 December	6-9pm	Years 7-11 Christmas Party
Thursday 14 December		Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch
Friday 15 December	1pm	PTA Christmas Tombola

We are already getting in to the spirit of Christmas and looking forward to spreading a little festive cheer! We also wish our skiers "bon voyage!" for their trip to Les Deux Alpes.

Yours sincerely

Carole L Blyth
Deputy Head