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6th November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to invite you to the **Year 5 and 6 Christmas Carol Service at St. Barnabas Church, Istead Rise**. Please find full details of the event:

Date: Monday 4th December 2023  
Start time: 1:00pm  
Finish time: 2:30pm (approximately)  
Venue: St. Barnabas Church, Upper Avenue, Istead Rise, Gravesend, Kent DA13 9DA



Children should wear their full school uniform in the morning, have a warm/ waterproof coat and wear sensible shoes for this event. If your child requires an asthma pump, please ensure they have it in school in an appropriate named bag. Children are being invited to dress up as characters for the service (some children will be playing out these roles at the front of the church). There will be separate information sent home to let you know if your child needs a costume.

Before the start of the service, staff will escort the children by foot to St. Barnabas Church. We ask that during this time you kindly wait in the entrance to the church. The local vicar, Reverend Nevell, will greet the children and staff upon arrival, before inviting you into the church to be seated. At the end of the service, staff will escort all the children back to school, where you will be able to collect them at the normal time, from the usual place.

If there are any problems with supplying an outfit, please let your child's class teacher know as soon as possible. All outfits need to be brought to school, in a named bag, by **Friday 24th November 2023**.

We look forward to sharing our Christmas celebration with you.

Yours sincerely,

Year 5 and 6 Team

