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Dear Parent/Carer

It has been tradition at South Haringay that we celebrate Christmas with a range of concerts and performances. These start with our Reception class nativity performance, in which all Reception children participate. Similarly, our Key Stage 1 Christmas concerts have all children in year 1 and 2 participating. As our Infant Hall is very small, we have four performances, during school time, of these concerts so that all parents/carers have a chance to attend.

In Key Stage 2, we also hold year 4 instrument concerts in December, which also includes all instrument continuers in years 5 and 6. We hold these during the school day and invite all parents/carers.

Due to the high number of concerts at this time of year, we have traditionally held one after school Key Stage 2 Christmas Concert – not everybody performs. This concert has always had the school choir and some individuals and bands performing, rather than all the children in years 3, 4, 5 and 6. However, all children have learnt some songs and are free to join in, and perform up the front, if they attend on the day of the concert.

We used to invite all of our families in for this concert, regardless of whether their children were performing or not. Last year's Christmas Concert was extremely popular. We had more people attend than could fit in our hall safely. So, this year, we had to organise the concert in a way that ensures that our numbers did not exceed safety regulations.

We decided on a ticketing system so we could control numbers. We then ensured that all parents/carers of children performing in the concert had first priority to buy tickets. We then offered tickets for sale to the parents/carers of all children until we ran out of tickets. The letters advertising the tickets were sent out in advance, so everyone had enough warning to come and buy tickets.

We are very sad that we do not have more tickets to sell, but we have legal limits on how many people should be in our hall at one time. We understand some families are disappointed but, for reasons of safety, if you do not have a ticket, you will not be able to attend this concert on Wednesday.

We will consider alternative arrangements for next year.

Your Sincerely,

Ian Scotchbrook
Headteacher