

16 December 2021

Dear Parents

**Re: Santa's Grotto, Tombola, Disco, Movie Night and Gymnastics**

Following the cancellation of our Christmas Fair due to COVID restrictions, a number of activities originally scheduled for December have been either postponed or cancelled.

Having consulted with the PTA as well as our pupils, below is a summary of the status of various events and the financial implications:

- Santa's Grotto: - We have started the long refund process for this. Unfortunately, this will take time as Parentpay first require a payment from the school in order to put funds in our account, so we can refund parents; like many Croydon schools, we cannot pay by BACS so we have to wait until they cash our cheque payment. We expect this to be done in the next week or so but there could be delays with processing over the Christmas break; we are aiming to be complete by the first week of Spring Term 2022 if not sooner.
- Tombola: - Donated bottles of drink will be retained and then part of a raffle or tombola in the Spring Fair 2022
- Year 5 disco night: - Postponed to the Spring Term 2022; tickets remain valid and we have a full list of who has paid
- Year 6 movie night: - Postponed to the Spring Term 2022; tickets remain valid and we have a full list of who has paid
- Gymnastics: - We have extended the deadline to sign up and pay for Saturday gymnastics to 5 January 2022 (from 17 December 2021)
- Enterprise: - Each year group remains responsible for their products or services. Some have chosen to sell their items this term (as they are Christmas-themed) whereas some will do it in the Spring Term 2022. Please check with your class teacher and google classroom for more details.

Please continue to check the school website for updates on the Spring Fair 2022

<https://www.stjosephsfederation.co.uk/school-life/events/>

Yours sincerely

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