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Dear Parents and Carers

Pantomime Visit

It is with great regret that I have made the decision to cancel the school's trip to the pantomime at The Hawth in December. After a great deal of reflection, and consideration of the number of cases we are dealing with amongst the children and staff, I am convinced that it would be unsafe to take 700 of us and place us all in one space 10 days before Christmas. Not only would there be a very high chance of transmission but the impact of this would also, potentially, ruin many a family Christmas. It is a risk that is not worth taking. The safety of everyone in our school community is our priority.

All monies paid will be refunded as soon as possible. We are dealing with some staffing shortages so please bear with us while we process the repayments. We will also be looking into bringing the panto experience to the children on line and I will let you know what this will be when we have sourced the best panto possible!

This is such an important event in our calendar and I was hopeful that it might be possible but it is absolutely clear that it is not safe to proceed and I take the decision now so as not to make any further commitment to the visit and therefore not risk school or parents financially.

Yours sincerely,

Helen Williamson
Headteacher

