Baden-Powell & St Peter's CE Junior School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Years 4, 5 & 6 Christmas Concert, Lighthouse Concert Hall
Thursday 17 December 2026, 7.00pm

We are delighted to be able to return to the Lighthouse for our annual Christmas Concert. We are so excited about this special occasion; a great musical celebration of Christmas, giving every one of our children the opportunity to take to the professional stage.

All Year 4, 5 and 6 children will be attending a rehearsal at the Lighthouse on the morning of Thursday 17 December. **Children MUST NOT come directly to school on this morning; parents MUST take their children directly to the Lighthouse from 8:30 – 8:50am.** A team of staff will be waiting inside the main entrance to greet and register the children. Children who are booked in for Kids' Haven should attend as normal – they will be transported by minibus from school after the session.

We will be rehearsing until about 11:15am and then making our way back to school. This year, we will be providing coach and minibus transport for children returning to school, ensuring they can travel safely and comfortably without the need to walk in potentially adverse weather conditions.

Some groups of children will stay on in the afternoon for ensemble rehearsals. These groups will include any soloists, dancers, guitar and ukulele ensemble, recorder ensemble, toots, doods and jsax ensemble, Vocability, Boys' Choir, string ensemble, saxophone ensemble, woodwind ensemble, brass ensemble and the Year 6 band. Please ensure they bring a non-electronic form of entertainment ie, book/card games for when they are waiting for their rehearsal time.

Tickets will cost £12.00 per person, plus a 10% booking fee that the Lighthouse charges, and will be on sale from **Tuesday 24 November**. **Online** sales **ONLY** will be available at **10:00am**. **Phone and counter sales will not be available until 12.00pm.** With a large number of children involved in the concert we urge you not to delay in purchasing your tickets to ensure that you are not disappointed.

In the first instance we ask that you order no more than 3 tickets per family to give everyone a chance to see their child perform. **Please do not contact the school office to ask for tickets, ticket sales are only available through the Lighthouse.**

Your consent to your child's involvement in this rehearsal is assumed with this letter; please contact the school if you do not give permission for your child to be involved. This is really important so that we know our exact numbers.

Yours sincerely

Sarah Talbot

Music Leader

MORNING/DAYTIME ARRANGEMENTS		
Dress Code	School Uniform with waterproof/warm coat. Miss Jarrett's Dancers to wear black leggings and plain black T-shirts with trainers.	
Timings	**8:30am-8:50am**	• Please take your child directly to the front entrance of the Lighthouse in Poole. • Children are to bring their instruments. • Children who are booked in for Kids' Haven should attend as normal – they will be transported by minibus from school after the session.
	11:30am	Children not in ensembles begin to return to school.
	1:30 - 2:00pm	Children that are staying for extra rehearsals return to school on coach or minibus.
	3:20pm	Children finish school at BPSP as normal.

Lunch	• All children need to take a packed lunch and snack with them and plenty of water.
	  • If you have already ordered a hot lunch, please cancel it.
	  • If your child has free school meals, we will contact you about packed lunches.
	• The majority of children will eat their lunch on their return to school.
	• Children rehearsing until 2.00pm will eat lunch at Lighthouse.	

Medication	The school will take all medication relevant to your child to the Lighthouse on the morning of 17 December and it will be returned to school after the rehearsal.	
EVENING ARRANGEMENTS		
Programme	Programmes will be available on the evening (cash payment only)	
Dress Code	• School uniform (shirt & tie - <u>not</u> polo shirts) without jumpers (it is hot on stage), smart black shoes. • Dancers to wear black leggings and plain black T-shirts (no logos or markings) with trainers and tinsel in their hair. More details to follow. • No water bottles are allowed on the stage so please ensure your child is well hydrated.	
Medication	• Medication held in school **will not** be taken to Lighthouse. • Please ensure that you have any emergency medication for your child with you.	
Timings	Your child will need to be dropped off at Lighthouse at:	
	6:10 – 6:20pm	Children to arrive.
	6:30pm	Families begin to be seated.
Collecting your child after the concert: **Approx finishing time 8.45- 9:00pm**	• Audience to stay in Auditorium until children are taken to designated meeting space. Please collect your child from the meeting point below. • If you have a younger child please collect them first. • No child will be able to leave the building unless accompanied by an adult.	
	Year 4	Stay in Auditorium and collect from class teacher.
	Year 5	Turn right outside Auditorium and downstairs to the ground floor café.
	Year 6	Turn right outside Auditorium and upstairs to the top floor.