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Dear Parents,

It was with regret that we took the decision this morning that it was not safe to take the children to the pantomime at the Palace Theatre. We have all been looking forward to the trip, and for this reason, we managed to open the school today in an attempt to run our Christmas events as usual.

The decision was made for the following reasons:

- We did not have the appropriate ratio of adults to children for an offsite trip due to some members of staff being unable to get to school
- The weather forecast this morning showed that temperatures are dropping later this afternoon
- The pantomime meant that we would have a late collection time from school which would make travelling conditions more hazardous for parents, children and staff

We worked in partnership with Watford Palace Theatre who asked us **not** to invite parents to take their children independently of the planned school trip.

Some parents chose to collect their children from school in order to attempt to take them to the pantomime. However, this was not advocated by the school; children were expected to be in school until 3.30pm as usual.

I would like to thank all the parents who have taken a measured view of the difficulties of the weather, understanding that we make decisions based on the information we have at the time, and in the interests of the safety of all the children.

Regards,

Christina Singh, Headteacher

Simon Watts, Deputy Headteacher

