

Dear parents / carers,

A couple of important changes to note especially regarding this week's rehearsal:

Rehearsal this week

This Wednesday (19th), All Saints is going to be preparing for the church's annual Christmas Tree Festival (we will be performing in this on Saturday). As a result **we cannot use the church for our rehearsal next week. Instead we will be using Fearon Hall.** We have used this venue in the past sometimes, although not for a while. Since we last used Fearon Hall we have had a safety review of using the hall and concluded that we do not wish to have parents and children walking from the church to the hall on their own as the path is very dark. For this reason we ask that you **do not bring your children directly to Fearon Hall next week. Please bring your children to All Saints as normal.** You will be met at the church by a church warden and some of the choir helpers (Stacey and Chris). The helpers will take children over to Fearon Hall in groups. Please could you make a particular effort to be punctual next week as dealing with latecomers will be difficult. After the rehearsal the children will be brought back to the church again. We therefore also ask that **you come to All Saints as normal next week to collect your children and wait there for them to come to you.** Thank you very much for your cooperation with this.

Another issue next week is parking. There are going to be more cars than usual at the church next week. The church wardens have requested that you do not park in the church grounds unless absolutely necessary. Those who are helping with the choir have priority over the limited parking spaces.

Christmas Tree Decoration

Please remind your child that they are requested to make a musical themed Christmas Tree decoration for the Loughborough Children's Choir tree at the Christmas Tree Festival. It doesn't have to be very elaborate but just something colourful to contribute and make the tree

look interesting and musical. They must bring these to the rehearsal this Wednesday (as the festival is this week!!!)

Monitoring the door during rehearsal

While dropping off and collecting your children from choir you will no doubt have become used to seeing David Clark monitoring the door, checking that only the right people come into the building. Unfortunately, David has resigned from this role. We don't yet have a replacement for him in the long term. In the short term, we will be having a number of people taking this role. These people hold responsible positions in the church, such as church warden or leader of children's work on a Sunday. On the whole, though, they will not know you, so please don't be offended if they ask who you are.

Best wishes,

Emma