

The Christmas Season Is Upon Us



Riverside School Christmas Calendar 2017



20th November

We would like to summarise the activities we are planning for the coming weeks and trust you and your children will be part of them.

Decorating the Early Years School for Christmas (1/12)

Please come enjoy some morning goodies as you spend time with other parents helping to make our building a magical place for the children to be during this holiday season. From drop-off until about 10:30am.



Senior High Hot Chocolate and Door Decorating (1/12)

On Friday, 1st December, the Senior High students will mark the beginning of the Christmas season with the

traditional decorating of the classroom doors.

Junior High Decorating (1/12)

Junior High Students will decorate their Tutor Room door and enjoy hot chocolate, 8:15am - 9:55am. You are welcome to pop in on the run up to Christmas and admire their artwork.

Money Collection for the School for Mentally Disabled - Domov Sedlec (starts 1/12)

Riverside School is raising money for the School for Mentally Disabled in Sedlec (www.sdmsedlec.cz) The donations will be used to buy some sports equipment and gardening tools. Collection boxes will be located in all school offices. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



Junior High School Disco (1/12)

It's time to rock! This year, the Junior High disco will take place at the Hard Rock Cafe. Students may arrive from 18:45, finishing at 21.00. Dům U Rotta, Malé nám. The dress code for this year is Smart/Casual.

Key Dates



- 01/12 Decorating the Early Years
- 01/12 SH Hot Chocolate and Door Decorating
- 01/12 Junior High Decorating
- 01/12 Money Collection for Domov Sedlec starts
- 01/12 Junior High Disco
- 04/12 Primary School Christmas Decorating
- 04/12 Christmas Post Box starts
- 04/12 Primary PTA Christmas Lunch
- 04/12 Early Years and Primary Angel Tree Begins
- 04/12 Concert in the Old Town Square
- 06/12 Junior & Senior High Concert at Dlačov
- 07/12 Lower School Christmas Market
- 07/12 End of EY and PS Clubs for Term 1
- 08/12 Santa's Grotto and Bake Sale
- 08/12 Senior High Christmas Banquet
- 12/12 Primary Christmas Nativity and Concert
- 13/12 Christmas Lunch
- 13/12 Early Years Nativity at the Arts Centre
- 13/12 Primary Year 1 and 2 Christmas Parties
- 14/12 End of JH and SH Clubs for Term 1
- 14/12 Primary Year 3-6 School Disco
- 14/12 Early Years Christmas Parties
- 15/12 Christmas Jumper Day
- 15/12 Last Day of Term - school ends at 12pm
- 08/01 First Day of Winter Term

Primary School Classrooms Decorating (4/12)

Our Primary students will spend some time throughout the day decorating their classrooms (Years 4-6) and the Christmas tree in the lower school (Years 1-3).

Primary School - Parents Decorating the School (4/12)

Please come and join the Primary PTA as we decorate the Primary School. You are welcome to join us for as much or as little time as you have available. We will start decorating at 8:40am.

Early Years and Primary - Angel Tree (4/12-15/12)

Once again, we are happy to join with St. Thomas Church Mala Strana, to provide special Christmas gifts for children. Please see the "Angel" tree in the Early Years entrance or in the Primary School Parents Room, choose an angel and take the opportunity to make a Christmas wish come true for a child in need.

See Mrs. Lenka, Mrs. Evans or Mr. Chisholm if you have any questions.

Primary School - Primary PTA Christmas Lunch (4/12)

Please come along to OPUS Mediterranean Fusion at 12pm, Mánesova 78, Praha 2-Vinohrady to help celebrate the beginning of the Christmas festivities and meet up with other Primary parents. To book your place, please contact Lucie, Miki or Christine—ptariversideprimary@gmail.com.

Christmas Post Box - Primary School and Early Years (starts 4/12)

From Monday 4th December children can start putting their Christmas cards, for Riverside children and staff, in the Christmas post box located in the Primary or Early Years hallway. Children will collect their class' post at the end of each day.



Riverside Choir Concert in the Old Town Square (4/12)

The Primary, Junior High and Senior High students will perform this year again on the Christmas Stage in Old Town Square. This fabulous show will begin at 6.15pm. We invite all Riverside families to come along to the Square and give them your support.

Junior & Senior High Concert at Kino Dlabáčov (6/12)

The Junior High and Senior High schools will celebrate Christmas together combining their musical talents in a concert at Kino Dlabáčov (Bělohorská 125/24, Praha 6) from 1.00pm to 2.30pm. All parents are welcome to attend.

Lower School Christmas Market (7/12)

The Lower School are working on an exciting cross-curricular 5 week project of planning, designing and running a Christmas market. The children put forward their own ideas of what could be made to sell at a Christmas market and are now working in ten teams to ensure the Christmas market takes place on Thursday 7th December at 2:30pm.



End of and EY and PS Clubs for Term 1 (07/12)

The last day for Skills for Life activities in Early Years and Primary School will be on Thursday, 7th.

Christmas Market and Santa's Grotto (08/12)

Christmas is very nearly here and it's time for us to celebrate with our 'Christmas Bake Sale'. Please come along and join in this "Great Community Event". This will take place in the Sports Dome on Friday, 8th December from 3pm to 5pm.

There will be an opportunity to buy some Christmas gifts for the children (and parents) for Mums, Dads, Brothers, Sisters, Grandparents, Aunties, Uncles

We will have a great variety of stalls, including:

Jewellery * Christmas Cookies * Stationery * Toys * Books * Photos * Children's clothes * Food and Wine * Greeting cards * Handmade accessories * Paintings * Olive products * Pottery * Charity Stall

Santa also plans to make his annual visit to Riverside School at the Bake Sale! Tickets are going to be on sale at the Early Years and Primary School Offices costing 85Kc each.

This year there will also be a raffle. Tickets can be purchased in the school office or at the market.

If your child is in Nursery, Reception or Year 1, you may pick them up from their classrooms before the end of the school to avoid the queues. Please notify your teacher if you plan to pick up your child early.

Parents and students from all four schools are warmly invited to take in the atmosphere.

The Riverside Choir and Musicians will perform at Santa's Grotto from 3pm to 5pm.



Senior High Christmas Banquet (8/12)

Students in Years 10-13 are looking forward to their annual Christmas Banquet from 7 to 11 pm .

Primary Christmas Nativity and Concert (12/12)

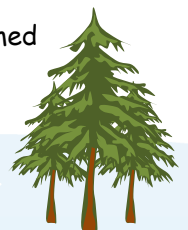
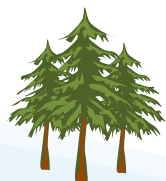
Mark your calendar and get excited for **Tuesday 12th December**. This year's Primary Nativity show, Too Cool For Christmas, is hitting the stage with an original production that highlights the creativity of our students. The story takes us on a journey as four siblings learn the true meaning of Christmas by going back in time to experience the nativity for themselves. The melodies and lyrics are collaboratively written by each year group, which will be performed through song and dance on the big night. The show takes place at 17:30 outdoors on a stage set in the Primary playground.

The Junior High Choir will start at 5.10pm and refreshments will be made available by the PTA. More information will follow nearer the time.

Early Years, Primary, Junior High and Senior High School Christmas Lunch (13/12)

A traditional Christmas lunch will be available for all children in the Early Years Jídelna and Reception Room, for all Primary students in the Primary Jídelna and for both Senior High and Junior High students in the Jordan Building Cafeteria on Wednesday, 13th December. Students who regularly order hot lunches will automatically be included if you order for that day.

All other students are welcome to participate on this occasion and lunch orders should be confirmed in one of the school offices no later than Tuesday 5th of December 1.00pm.



Early Years Christmas Concert (13/12)

Riverside Early Years' production of "Whoops-A-Daisy Angel" will take place on Wednesday 13th December at 9.30am at the Riverside Arts Centre at Hradčanská. Please bring your favourite Christmas goody to share after the programme.

End of JH and SH Clubs for Term 1 (14/12)

The last day for Skills for Life activities in Junior and Senior High will be on Thursday, 14th.



Primary Year 1 and 2 Christmas Parties (13/12) From 2.15pm to 3.15pm

Primary Years 3-6 Disco (14/12) From 3.30pm to 5pm in the Primary Jidelna/ Dining room.

Early Years Classroom Parties (14/12) From 9:30am to 10.30am.



Christmas Jumper Day (15/12)

On Friday 15th December the staff and students from the whole school will participate in a Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day. Students can come to school for the final day of the term wearing a Christmas jumper or something similar, paying a fee of 30kc for the charity. We will send out more information nearer the time. <https://christmasjumperday.org/>

Riverside Calendar

Please check out the calendar on the Riverside School website. It will be updated with the important events that are taking place at Riverside. You can access the school calendar through the following link:

<http://www.riversideschool.cz/news-events/calendar/>

Last Day of Term (15/12)

There will be no hot lunches served on Friday, 15th December and school will finish after the morning session at 12pm for all students. Those who have children in both Early Years and Primary can collect their children from the Early Years from 11.45am to 12.15pm.

First Day of Winter Term - Monday, 8th January 2017

**We wish you and your family a most enjoyable
and peaceful Christmas!**

The Riverside Staff and PTA



Happy New Year!