Northwich Lantern Parade & Christmas Lights Switch on

**SATURDAY 23rd NOVEMBER 2024**

**Dear Parent/Guardian**

Your child has recently taken part in a Lantern making workshop in readiness for this year’s Lantern Parade and Christmas Lights Switch On. Please find important information about the event below which is for the safety of your child and all that are taking part in the event.

We hope that you and your family can join us on this festive occasion. We look forward to seeing you there!

**Important Information/Instructions**

* Please bring your Lantern to Waitrose that you made at school with you. Sticks & torches will be provided at Waitrose.
* All meet at Waitrose car park, Northwich at 4.00pm. All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times.
* Parade leaders will give you a pass, which you will need at Tabley Street before you reach Barons Square. Sticks and torches will be fitted to your Lanterns as soon as you arrive at Waitrose and the Parade will be assembled and leave at approx. 4.40pm.
* The route will leave Waitrose, turn left onto London Road and head towards the Bull Ring, moving into the High Street and into Witton Street and proceed up the hill, turning left at Tabley Street stopping at the steps at Barons Quay/Salvation Army. At this point the parade will separate and you will show your pass to the marshals.
* Please note….. your **CHILD** and **1 PARENT/GUARDIAN ONLY** will go through the barrier to proceed to the switch on area at Barons Quay (outside Sports Direct) Also note that there will be no space for push chairs, buggies or prams to go through. Therefore, can you please arrange for another family member to look after these children at this time.
* You **MUST** again show your pass to the marshals who will then direct you towards the you position at Barons Square
* All other Parents/Guardians/Grandparents etc and Parade **will not be permitted** to pass through here! Due to limited space you will not be allowed to enter. You will be advised at Tabley Street to proceed down the steps at Barons Square to find a space to watch the switch on.
* Your child and 1 parent/guardian will be present in Barons Square when the Christmas Lights are switched on at approx. 5pm.
* Once festivities have ended all sticks & torches **MUST** be returned to the marshals in Barons Square. Children should then take their lanterns home and any that are left will be recycled.
* Please note that the lanterns are designed to be used outdoors with a battery powered torch Do not use a candle to light your lantern!
* Once the lights are switched on you will be able to make your way towards H&M where you will be able to watch the fireworks finale.

**WE THANK YOU ALL MOST SINCERELY FOR ALL YOUR TIME AND EFFORT AND FOR TAKING PART IN**

**OUR CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES**

**Merry Christmas & A Happy New Year!**

