



Dear Grange Junior Pupil

You are cordially invited to attend our annual **Christmas Market** to be held in school on **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2021**.

At this exciting event, you will be able to buy gifts for the important people in your life. We will have a wide variety of presents available to cater for women, men, girls and boys. You may even want to treat yourself to a little something.

We will be listening to Christmas music and wearing Christmas hats on that day. Feel free to come in wearing some festive headwear and join in the fun!

We hope you can make this fun shopping event. We are looking forward to seeing you.

Yours faithfully

Friends of Grange Schools

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Dear Parent/Carer

Following the success of previous Christmas shopping events, the **Grange Christmas Market** will return to our school again this year on **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December** during school hours.

Should your child wish to take part, it will provide a wonderful opportunity for them to independently choose some gifts for the important people in their life. We have sourced a wide range of presents to cater for men, women, boys and girls with prices ranging between £1 and £2, which makes for great value.

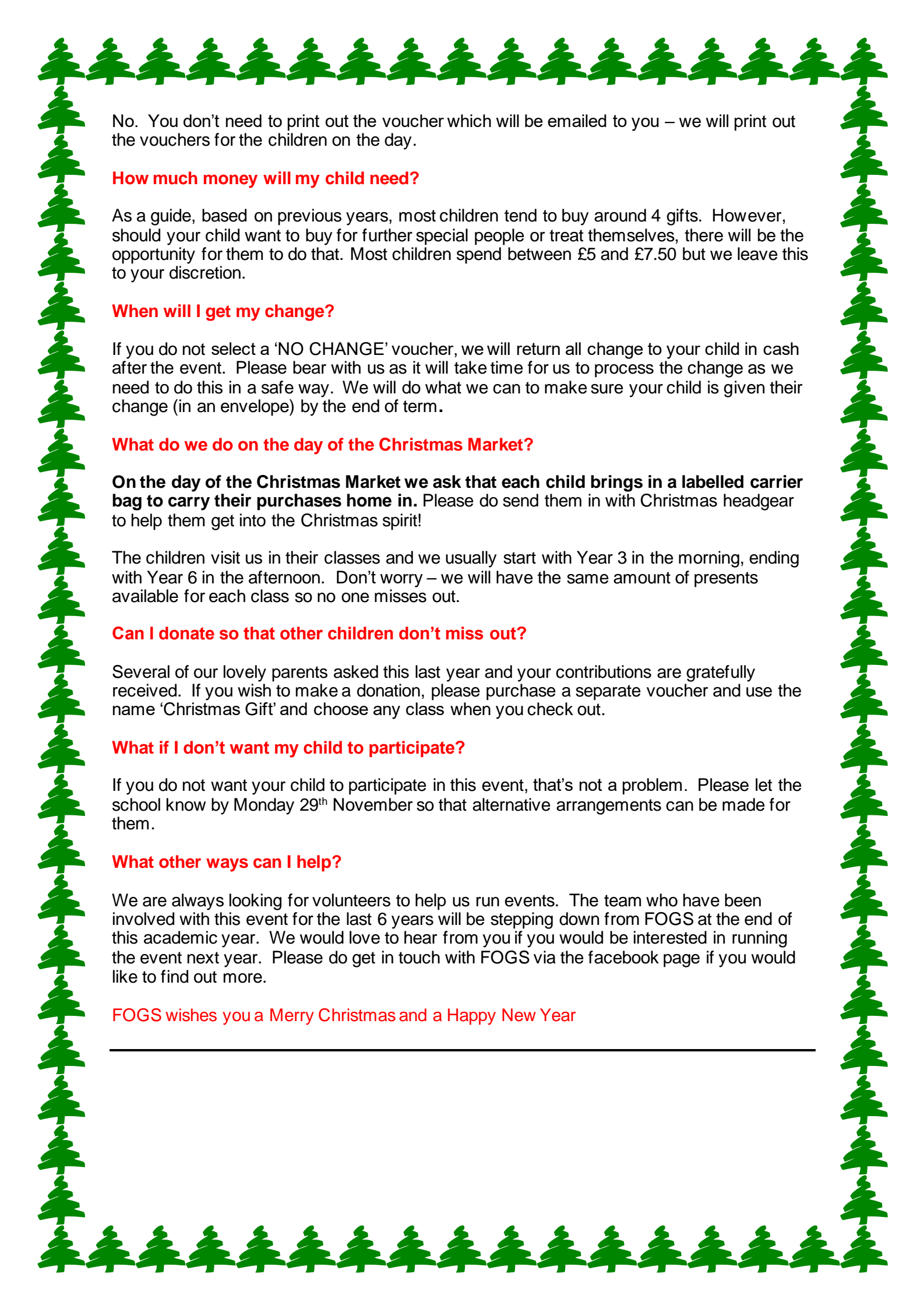
**Spending money – please read!**

In order to reduce the cash our volunteers handle, you will need to purchase vouchers for your children to spend at the event by visiting [www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofgrangeschools](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofgrangeschools) by midnight on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November.

You can purchase vouchers in £1, £2.50, £5 and £10 denominations. You will be asked for your child's name and class when you check out. A small booking fee is charged by PTA Events for use of this facility – but in return we will gift each child a chocolate lolly to enjoy on the day of the Christmas market! Non-gluten and dairy free alternatives will be available.

You can choose to have your change returned to you or allow FOGS to keep the change. If you would like FOGS to keep the change, please select a 'NO CHANGE' voucher.

**Do I need to print out the voucher that PTA Events sends to me?**



No. You don't need to print out the voucher which will be emailed to you – we will print out the vouchers for the children on the day.

### **How much money will my child need?**

As a guide, based on previous years, most children tend to buy around 4 gifts. However, should your child want to buy for further special people or treat themselves, there will be the opportunity for them to do that. Most children spend between £5 and £7.50 but we leave this to your discretion.

### **When will I get my change?**

If you do not select a 'NO CHANGE' voucher, we will return all change to your child in cash after the event. Please bear with us as it will take time for us to process the change as we need to do this in a safe way. We will do what we can to make sure your child is given their change (in an envelope) by the end of term.

### **What do we do on the day of the Christmas Market?**

**On the day of the Christmas Market we ask that each child brings in a labelled carrier bag to carry their purchases home in.** Please do send them in with Christmas headgear to help them get into the Christmas spirit!

The children visit us in their classes and we usually start with Year 3 in the morning, ending with Year 6 in the afternoon. Don't worry – we will have the same amount of presents available for each class so no one misses out.

### **Can I donate so that other children don't miss out?**

Several of our lovely parents asked this last year and your contributions are gratefully received. If you wish to make a donation, please purchase a separate voucher and use the name 'Christmas Gift' and choose any class when you check out.

### **What if I don't want my child to participate?**

If you do not want your child to participate in this event, that's not a problem. Please let the school know by Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November so that alternative arrangements can be made for them.

### **What other ways can I help?**

We are always looking for volunteers to help us run events. The team who have been involved with this event for the last 6 years will be stepping down from FOGS at the end of this academic year. We would love to hear from you if you would be interested in running the event next year. Please do get in touch with FOGS via the facebook page if you would like to find out more.

**FOGS wishes you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year**

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