



# Newsletter

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4<sup>th</sup> December 2020

## Christmas Plans

### Christmas Jumper Day on the last day of term

We will be having our usual Christmas Jumper Day to help raise money for Save the Children again this year. If you have a Christmas jumper for your child and they would like to wear it, please send them in wearing it on the last Friday of term. If you don't have a Christmas jumper there is no need to buy one. Just send your child in wearing an old jumper you don't mind us decorating. If you would like to make a donation to Save the Children, please do. We are suggesting a donation between £1 and £2.

### Christmas Dinner

The children will be having the school Christmas dinner also on the last day of term. We will run it slightly differently this year. Instead of the whole school eating in the hall Year 1 and 2 will eat in their classrooms and Year R will eat in the hall. If you have already decided that your child is not having the Christmas dinner just send them in with a packed lunch, feel free to make it as festive as you like!

### Christmas Plays

The children are all in full swing practising for their Christmas plays. Each class will be letting you know what help in the way of costumes they will need.

Having looked at the options we think the best way of letting you see the plays is if we record them and then upload them to YouTube as a private video. We will then email out the link to parents to be able to view the video. This will keep the video's secure as only parents will have the link and will ensure that parents can watch them at a time that suits you.

### Christmas Advent Gift

Every day between the 1<sup>st</sup> December and the last day of term we will be doing a special Christmas Advent in class.

We have bought some lovely Christmas books and the children have all made each other Christmas cards. Every day one or two children will be chosen at random to open the class Christmas Advent envelope and they will take home one of the books and a Christmas card. We hope that this makes up in some way for the children not being able to bring Christmas cards into school to give out to their friends.

## Upcoming Events

### 11 December 2020

10am Year 1 – Performance

### 16 December 2020

10am Year R – Performance

### 17 December 2020

10am Year 2 – Performance

### 18 December 2020

Christmas Jumper Day

12-1pm Christmas Dinner

End of Term

### 21 December 2020 – 3 January 2021

Christmas Holidays

### 4 January 2021

Inset Day

### 5 January 2021

8.40am Start of Term

### 15 January 2021

Deadline for Infant and Junior School Applications for September 2021

### 12 February 2021

End of Term

### 15-19 February 2021

Half term

### 22 February 2021

8.40am Start of Term

### 15 March 2021

Year R – Farm Visit

### 19 March 2021

Comic Relief

### Student Teacher in Kangaroo Class

After Christmas we will be joined for the Spring Term by Miss Pattern.

Miss Patten is a final practice teaching student in her last year of University. Under the guidance of Mr Burr she will be taking on a lot of the teaching as the weeks go on.

## Birthday Party Afternoon

The first birthday party afternoon last Thursday was a great success. The children loved it and all the children who have had birthdays really enjoyed being the centre of attention.

We will do one special afternoon every month for the remainder of the academic year.

We hope that this will make up a little bit for children not being able to have birthday parties like normal at the moment.

## Christmas Cards

While we have said we won't be handing out cards the children have brought into school, if you would like to give a card to your child's class teacher or have your child write one card to the whole class that is fine.

We have said no to handing out children's Christmas cards as we are trying to avoid lots of cards coming in and them being touched by lots of different people and going into lots of different homes.

Sending in one or two cards that stay in school however are fine if you would like to.



## Stars of the Week



### 20<sup>th</sup> November

Lilly-may Sutton  
Poppy Bowler  
Freya Edney  
George Hughes  
Harley Sexton  
Connie Knapp

### 4<sup>th</sup> December

Ellie Drake  
Molly Jones  
Marley Cuckow  
Isabella Daniels  
Hudson Catt  
Seth Farr

## Children in Need

We wanted to say a massive thank you to all of our school community. As a school we raised £401 in total for Children in Need!

That is the most money we have ever raised for the day.

The children all had a great time doing some really fun activities related to their feeling and emotions. The whole school looked great all dressed up in so many different colours.

## COVID over Christmas

As a school we still have a responsibility for all the children's wellbeing over Christmas. If your child develops COVID symptoms and receives a positive test over the holidays, then please inform the school. This is especially important in the first week of the holidays. It may well be that we are told by the Track and Trace people to ask other children to self-isolate.

If you do need to inform the school of a positive test, then please email both your child's class teacher and Mr Greenhalgh to ensure that the message is read as quickly as possible. Thank you

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## Traffic around school

With the cold and rainy weather, we do notice more parents driving to school.

With this increased traffic comes more difficulties in parking and busier roads. Can we just ask all parents to take extra care when driving around the school and when looking for a space to park. We do not want any child to get hurt by a car.

We are still recommending the car park opposite the skate park as the best and safest place to park. There are crossings to cross the road safely and plenty of space for parents to park.