

## **Arnold Mill Primary School**

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The children are definitely ready to break up for their Christmas break now they've had a week full of parties and Christmas fun. We are so pleased to have made a full term without closing a bubble. If your child tests positive for Covid-19 over the holiday we may still need to be informed, as it can still affect the school community. There is a flow chart at the bottom of this letter to show what action is needed, depending on the dates. If you need to let us know please email me at <a href="joldfield@arnoldmill.notts.sch.uk">joldfield@arnoldmill.notts.sch.uk</a>. Do not contact teachers direct as they may not be checking their emails during the holidays.

We are so grateful for your support this term, especially with the wonderful donations we have received for the Raffle Hampers, Foodbank appeal and books from our Amazon Wish List. We weren't sure how well these ideas would go but we have been overwhelmed with your generosity. Over £260 worth of books and £650 worth of raffle ticket sales will definitely make a difference to the curriculum resources we can offer the children. Thank you!

As we are all getting much better at living life under Covid-19 safety rules, we have new plans in place for January 2021. Drop off and pick up times have been narrowed so that children are less disrupted by siblings being dropped off and collected over a half hour period both in the morning and at night. We are hoping that these new times will run smoothly and children will get much more uninterrupted lesson time. We've had a very positive response to allowing year phases to play outside together. The children will still be in controlled bubbles indoors but year 1 and 2, year 3 and 4 and year 5 and 6 will be able to share spaces during outdoor playtimes. I'm sure this will help those children who are missing friends from other classes.

## Reminder of January 2021 pick up and drop off times:

2d, 2e, 2f and 1c: 8.50am - 3.20pm 2c, 2b, 2a, 1b 1a: 9.00am - 3.30pm F2a, F2b and F1am/pm: 8.55am - 3.15pm

Just a quick reminder that only one adult should bring their child(ren) and to wear face masks unless exempt.

The registers will close at 9.15am. If you arrive after this time your child will be marked in the register as 'Late'.

On reflection, 2020 has been a very eventful year. A successful Ofsted inspection, lots of Covid-19 restrictions, changes to plans and everyday events and yet still we have managed to smile our way through it. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Staff, Governors, Parents and Children at Arnold Mill for making our school amazing. Our continued teamwork makes the school what it is and together we ensure children achieve great things.

I can't wait to see what 2021 holds for us.

Have a very Merry Christmas!

We look forward to seeing you all safe and well on Monday  $4^{\text{th}}$  January 2021.

Kind regards,

Jackie Oldfield Headteacher

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## What to do if a pupil/member of staff tests positive during the school holidays

