



## Arnold Mill Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I think it is safe to say winter has well and truly arrived. Dark mornings and evenings and chilly playtimes all mean we need to break out our winter coats. School is being kept well ventilated during the day so please remember to send your children to school with their school jumpers and warm outdoor clothing.

As we are approaching the Christmas break we have lots of fun activities planned:

### ***Christmas dinner day - Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December***

There's no need to pre-book and children can come to school in non-uniform festive clothing on the 10<sup>th</sup> December 2020. There is no need to go and buy anything special. Please note that the menu has changed for the whole week.

### ***A socially distanced visit from Santa - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2020***

The Rotary Club have arranged for Santa to visit on his sleigh. He will park his sleigh in the car park and all the classes will get chance to walk past and wave.

### ***Christmas performances***

Bubble videos to replace our usual performances will be shared on Teams before the holiday. If you haven't already given permission on SIMS Pay please do this as soon as possible (remember to choose the appropriate option in the drop down menu).

### ***Amazon Wish List***

Thank you to all those parents who sent us books from the Amazon Wish List that we shared in last week's letter to parents. We were totally overwhelmed by your kind gifts. The children will love reading these news books. If you still want to contribute, the Wish List will be live for a while yet. The link is <https://amzn.eu/hHhDZxQ>. Every single purchase is going straight into classrooms for the children to enjoy- so thank you!

I know the guidance keeps changing, so I thought I would give a quick reminder about isolating due to Covid-19. If you, or anyone in your household, gets symptoms, the whole household needs to isolate for 14 days or until you get a negative test result. It is really important that you inform us immediately if your child tests positive so we can take the necessary action in school. If you have any questions about any of this, please contact the office.

We enjoy celebrating good behaviour with the children every week in our Shining Star assemblies and although we can't be together physically we love getting together via Microsoft Teams. Teams has been a really big change for school this year and I know it has been a steep learning curve for us all getting to grips with it. Please try and log in to your child's account as many things are being shared this way, including children's work- in some classes.

I hope you all have a super weekend.

Take care!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "J Oldfield".

Mrs Jackie Oldfield  
Headteacher