



December 2020 Newsletter

Dear Parents / Carers,

The countdown to Christmas has begun, but it will be a very different experience in school this year compared to normal. There will not be any Christmas concerts or parties. We have been advised that singing should not be undertaken within the confines of classrooms and that children should not be 'throwing' their voices within a drama production. We have been told that there are potentially many safeguarding pitfalls to putting performances online. All so very sad for children.

But Christmas is not cancelled, so what are we doing instead to lift the Christmas spirits, while keeping everyone safe?

Next week, each class bubble will be holding a Christingle, which we will share on ClassDojo with you. We will be making Christmas crafts and cards with the children – we are allowed to send things home apparently!

We are signed up for the charity 'Christmas Jumper Day' on Friday 11th December.

On the last day of term, each class bubble will be having a Christmas cinema experience morning with individual refreshments too. The children will be allowed to wear Christmas themed outfits (or their jumpers again) for the day.

We hope to enjoy some fun festivities with the children at this special time of year.

A merry Christmas and a happy and healthy new year to everyone.

A Scott

Staying Safe

It has come to my attention that a staff member's car was hit by a heavy ball last week, because some parents allowed their children to play football in the staff car park after school, while waiting for siblings. Please may I respectfully remind you:

- children should NEVER be in the car park – it is NOT safe
- once collected, children should remain off-site and be supervised by parents / carers
- balls and other items from home are NOT allowed in school at all during the present crisis – this has not changed since March.

Diary Dates

Mon 7 Dec (Week beg.)	Christingle Celebrations (In class bubbles)
Tues 8 Dec	Flu vaccinations – for pupils who missed them before half-term
Wed 9 Dec	Christmas Dinner Day in school
Fri 11 Dec	Christmas Jumper Day - £1.00 (Charity – Save the Children)
Fri 18 Dec	Christmas cinema experience (In class bubbles)

Break up for Christmas



Dates for the Year 2021

Mon 4 Jan	Children return to school
Fri 12 Feb	Break up for half-term
Mon 22 Feb	Children return to school
Thurs 1 Apr	Break up for Easter
Tues 20 Apr	Children return to school
Fri 28 May	Break up for half-term
Mon 7 June	Children return to school
Fri 23 July	Break up for summer

Wed 1 September 2021

Start of the new Academic Year

Christmas cards

This year, we will not be allowing Christmas cards to be given out in school, as items from home are not allowed to be brought in. This is in line with our Trust guidance, to keep everyone safe.

If your child would like to make or write one for the class and take a photo of it to share on ClassDojo, we may still be able to spread some joy!

