

## Weekly Newsletter – 27<sup>th</sup> November 2020

### PSHE and HRE Policy and Scheme of Work

The Government introduced the compulsory teaching of Health Education and Relationships Education in all schools from September 2020. Here at KWPS, we have completed a lot of preparation for this as it was a key part of our School Improvement Plan. During the first part of last year the staff and PSHE Governors took part in training sessions and formulated a draft policy and scheme of work. We had planned to hold a parents' meeting in the Summer term to discuss this policy and hold a question and answer session. Clearly, this wasn't able to happen due to lockdown and as we are still not in a position where we can invite parents into school, the Governors have decided to post the policy and scheme of work on the website for consultation. This policy covers our school approach to the teaching of PSHE (Personal, social and health education) which includes the statutory guidance on Relationships Education and Health Education (HRE). Much of what is covered was already in place in our previous PSHE scheme of work.

We would be grateful if you could take the time to read the policy and if you have any comments or questions please click [here](#) for a link to a very brief survey or email the PSHE Governors Lisa Greenwood and Wendy Wilson ([pshegovernor@kirkhamwesham.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:pshegovernor@kirkhamwesham.lancs.sch.uk)).

### Christmas 2020

#### ***Christmas Post***

As mentioned in last week's newsletter Christmas Post starts this Monday 30<sup>th</sup>, however we are having to make some adjustments: Monday 30<sup>th</sup>.

- The Christmas cards can only be sent to other children within their class bubble – we will put a mini Christmas post box in each classroom.
- Envelopes shouldn't be stuck down – the flap can be tucked in or left loose.
- Cards can only be brought in on a Monday or Tuesday so that they can be quarantined for 48 hours before being sent home on a Thursday.

Please don't feel obliged to send cards in - this is only if your child and family wish them to. Similarly please let the class teacher know via Dojo if you would rather your child didn't bring cards home.

#### ***Christmas Dinner and Party Day – Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December***

Our Christmas dinner will take place on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December. As usual, this is open to all children. If your child has packed lunch and you wish them to have Christmas Dinner please could you pay for it by via ParentPay by Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December.

#### ***Christmas Party Day – Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December***

Party Day will also take place on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December . The children may come to school in their party clothes but please do bear in mind that they will be outside for playtime and lunchtime.

### ***Pantomime***

Unfortunately, following yesterday's announcement that we are in Tier 3, today we received a phone call from Lowther Theatre to say that the theatre has to remain closed until the next review of tiers. Therefore our planned whole school visit to the pantomime will not be able to take place. Naturally, we are all very disappointed. However, the theatre will be live streaming the pantomime for us, which we will all be able to watch in our separate bubbles - not as exciting as we had hoped but still a well-deserved treat for our children.

Mel Clarke is in the process of refunding any payments which have already been made in relation to the pantomime. Please note if you have paid by bank transfer it may take a little longer for the refund process. When you log into ParentPay you will receive a notification that the refund has been processed. You will then be able to use the refunded amount to pay for another item or can choose to withdraw the amount back to the account/card that the original payment was made from.

### ***The Infant Nativity***

One of the highlights of our Christmas celebrations is the Infant nativity, which provides both you and us with precious memories and we are desperately disappointed that this can't take place in its usual format this year. However, we don't want the children or you our parents to miss out, therefore over the coming weeks all the classes in the Infants will be recording a video within their bubbles which will be shared with their parents. Although we are limited as to what we can do as we are not allowed to have more than 15 children singing at a time, we will ensure that all the children get the opportunity to perform in some way.

These videos will not be accessible to the general public and we would ask that all parents recognise that:

- Images received from school are for your own or personal use and should not be uploaded to social media if they contain children other than your own.
- The recordings are intended for family viewing. Please do not share the viewing link with anyone else beyond the family.
- For safeguarding reasons please, do not take screen shots or record the performance.

If you need help with any of the above points or have a related query, then please do not hesitate to come and have a chat with a member of staff.

### **School Dinners**

We have had our first week of hot dinners this week and I must say a huge thank you to the amazing kitchen staff who have worked so hard to make it run so smoothly and produce delicious meals. However, they have asked if parents could discuss the meal choices with the children when they order them on ParentPay as we have had a number of children saying that they don't like what has been chosen for them.

Many thanks for your continued support, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns or questions [head@kirhamwesham.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:head@kirhamwesham.lancs.sch.uk) or via Facebook on our messenger page or ClassDojo.

