



CHURCHFIELDS PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear parents and carers,

Headteacher's Week-end Letter 29.11.20



Again, I am starting my newsletter with a big thank you to all the parents for their understanding and for super efforts with the home learning. I know it isn't always easy trying to balance home life and home learning but many of you are doing a sterling job and I can only thank you for it. As you are aware currently we have one year 5 and one year 2 class not in school due to a positive case within the class. After a positive case, I speak to the Department for Education, Public Health England and the local authority outbreak team. During these discussions, the decision is taken on who has had close contact and therefore needs to isolate. As I have said before, we take the whole class as a contact as they have been in the same room together for the day. It is important that when the children leave at the end of the day they remain by the person who is picking them up and not run around and play with others on the playground as this could increase the number of people a child has had contact with as I have seen some children playing tag with children not in their year group or household and this would be skin to skin contact. I know this can be difficult with younger children but all of the children from Year 2 upwards would be able to do this.

I know many families are hoping to spend Christmas with loved ones following the government guidance of the 5-day Christmas period where three households can mix. To ensure that we don't have to make the difficult call to ask a child to isolate over the Christmas period, it is vital that for December if your child is unwell they do not come to school and you seek a test if needed. This will help us to all support one another to have a super Christmas.

Curriculum

The thing I am most proud of is that school is as normal as it can be with all of the restrictions. We are continuing to work on the curriculum and over the past few weeks we have been reviewing the science curriculum. Miss Jackson and Miss Archer have led staff training, monitored books and lesson plans and sought the views of the children. A big thank you to them for leading science with such passion and the fantastic science learning that is taking place each week in school.

Thank you to the parents who have contacted me regarding reading books in KS1. Mrs Mawdsley has been investigating an online reading book scheme called 'bug club' and this will mean access to online scheme books when the others are being quarantined. Information will be sent out about this when we return after Christmas. Mr Skupham has also asked me to remind you that books are a lovely gift to give at Christmas and if you want some suggestions of what books to get for your child please drop an email to office@cfp.school and Mr Skupham will send some suggestions.

Reports

We have started to send your child's short autumn report. They will all be sent by Wednesday 2nd December. If you haven't received it by then, please contact school.

Christmas



Who knew that I had something in common with Boris Johnson? I also spoke to Santa this week and with this letter there is a letter from Father Christmas. He was very excited that he would be visiting soon and sent me a letter to send to the children.

The theme for Christmas and for the majority of this year has been be kind. We are blessed at Churchfields as you always show how caring you are. We are definitely stronger together. With this in mind we will be raising money for the Toy Appeal led by Charlie's Butchers and Men Unite. On ParentPay there will be option for you to donate and then as a school we will purchase toys and deliver during the week we break up. This is purely optional and is a way for us to give something back to the community. The staff are already doing the same for the Salvation Army Christmas present appeal.

A few reminders

- Christmas cards - if your child wishes to send a Christmas card they create ONE card at home and address it to the teacher and the whole class. This can be a card that they design themselves and reflects Christmas for them. The teacher will show these cards on a Friday in show and tell and then they will be displayed in the classroom.
- We love nativities and school performances however we will be unable to do these this year. However, I will be asking each class to record something for a whole school performance DVD. These will be recorded the week of the 7th December and to ensure we all feel Christmassy for the entire week children can come to school in festive wear – jumpers, dresses, Santa suits.

Key Dates

- **Monday 7th December - Friday 11th December** Wearing Christmas clothes all week
- **Friday 18th December** - Break up for Christmas

As always, we ended the week with our celebration assembly.

Stars of the week



Nursery independently	Nova-Rae Roberts	For trying really hard to write her name
Reception Mrs Nixon	Ivy Weaver	Super effort in her writing
Reception Miss Jackson	Patrick Chivu	Great attitude to learning
Year 1 Mrs Meek	Oscar Barrow	For following our school values
Year 1 Miss Roper	David Owen	For trying really hard
Year 2 Mrs Mawdsley	Dexter Blaczkowski	For excellent home learning
Year 2 Mrs Pattison	Ellie Hambley- Middleton	For always trying her best

Year 3 Miss Archer week	Kara Alder	For a fantastic attitude during assessment
Year 3 Miss Lawton	India Scott	Excellent home learning
Year 4 Miss Jackson	Dexter Podmore	For excellent work on Purple Mash
Year 4 Miss Brown week.	Darcy Viggars	For showing fantastic progress in assessment
Year 5 Mrs Shenton	Lacey Mae Millington –	For consistent hard work
Year 5 Miss Smith	Oakley Podmore	Super attitude in assessments
Year 6 Mr Cotton learning	Joshua Bomparola –	A dedicated and independent attitude to
Year 6 Mr Skupham	Logan Alder	Always being the very best that he can be

Headteacher’s Stars of the week

Nursery

Reception

KS1

LKS2

UKS2

Felicity Green

Parker Smith

Harry Clark

Lola Rose Seaton

Brooke Kirby

Super imagination and play

Super maths skills and communication

A delightful member of the school

Super home learning

for being caring



Attendance is still strong especially in both year 6 classes and Reception Mrs Nixon. They are slowly catching the termly leaders.

Team of the week is:

YELLOW team. Well done!

Team for the Year so far is:

YELLOW team. Well done!



A big shout out to Ivy Weaver who has achieved 10 blues for meeting our school values. She definitely embodies the values of determination, resilience and confidence. A super achievement and only the second child to have reached this fantastic accolade this year, so far.

Thanks for your continued support,
Diane Beardsmore
Headteacher