



Newsletter 18th December 2020

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Merry Christmas everyone!

Here we are at the end of such an unusual term and time to reflect on all that we have achieved.

Almost everything has been slightly different this Autumn Term and yet I can proudly say that at each turn, staff and children have adapted and found a way to learn, be active and have fun together in a safe and appropriate manner.

Your children have been wonderfully resilient and we are all very proud of them.

As a school community, in this most challenging of times, you have given so much too. Raising a total of £1,349.10 for PTA funds, contributed food for 10 school Cornwall Christmas boxes and collected £101.70 for Save the Children with our Christmas Jumper Day.

We have not been able to invite you into school for our traditional Christmas Show extravaganzas and yet the children performed with such confidence and understanding without the pressure of audiences and we LOVED sharing that with them and subsequently with you all, via our online learning platforms.

Time now for a holiday, a rest and some space to enjoy our wonderful countryside. Thank you for your continued support and adherence to all our protocols which has helped keep all bubbles safe this term. We look forward to a bright 2021 and to positive change for us all.

Be brave, be kind, belong.

Merry Christmas everyone!

Mrs J Rodwell
Head of School



Dates

21/12/20-3/1/21—Christmas Holiday

4/1/21—School Closed (Training day)

5/1/21—First day Spring Term

12/2/21—School Closed (Training day)

15/2/21—19/2/21—Half Term

2/4/21—16/4/21—Easter Holiday

- PLEASE LOAD DINNER MONEY ACCOUNTS BEFORE YOUR CHILD HAS A MEAL
- PLEASE ALSO SEE ATTACHED THE NEW MENUS FOR JANUARY 2021. PLEASE REMEMBER THAT FRESH BREAD, FRUIT, YOGHURTS AND SALAD ARE ALSO AVAILABLE EVERYDAY
- AFTER CHRISTMAS WE WILL BE FOLLOWING THE WEEK 3 MENU

Covid protocol over Christmas!

Please see below important guidance for parents/carers relating to positive cases in the holidays

- Where a pupil (or staff member) tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms **more than 48 hours** since being in school, **the school should NOT be contacted** (until the first day of the new term). Parents and carers should instead follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace
- For the first 6 days after the end of school, if a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms **within 48 hours** of being in school, **please use the Aspire reporting form below**, as the school is asked to assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school
- School staff are not asked to remain on call or conduct any contact tracing more than 6 days after the final day of teaching

Reporting link : [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - The Aspire Academy Trust](#)



Stars of the week! **Mathletics!**

We are delighted to confirm that the following children were awarded Star of the Week today!

Class R: Isaac and Noah for being kind, helpful, polite and hard working at all times

Class 1: Flossie Biggs and Amy Thomas for always being kind

Class 2: Finlay Gawler and Jago Hall for writing an excellent retelling of the nativity story using lots of detail and descriptive language

Class 3: The whole class—Well done to everyone for your hard work and resilience

Class 4: The whole class for a brilliant Makaton signed Christmas song

Class 5: All of Class 5 for their amazing instrument playing, rap writing and singing! Such a talented bunch!

Class 6: Vinnie Owen for progress in writing and Liv Pearson for great progress in maths

Some brilliant scores this week, notably a superb collective score by Class 2, well done everyone. Don't forget that Mathletics is available 24/7 and is a great way to keep the little grey cells moving!



Priceless Playtimes!

Who has been a great ambassador for our school values "Be brave, be kind, belong" ?

Sebastian Richards for being a good friend and Maisy Cawte and Daisy Pascoe in Yr 5 for looking after their friend when she felt unhappy and made her feel included.



I wonder who will be the first to be recognised for kindness after Christmas.

From January....

When we return to school in January, the bubbles will remain in the same format with the same drop off and collection points.

Start times are as follows:

Reception: 9am	Year 1: 8.50am
Year 2: 8.45am	Year 3: 9am
Year 4: 8.55am	Year 5: 8.50am
Year 6: 8.45am	

Finish times are as follows:

Reception: 3pm	Year 1: 2.55pm
Year 2: 3.10pm	Year 3: 3.15pm
Year 4: 3.10pm	Year 5: 3.05pm
Year 6: 3pm	

In the interest of everyone's safety can you please deliver and collect your child on time, not too early or indeed not too late!

Wishing all of our families a wonderful Christmas and a very happy 2021 .

