

Snainton Church of England Primary School

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Newsletter

Friday 4th December, 2020

As we enter the festive period, it is clear that traditions and routines may be slightly different to usual this year. School will share some ideas on how you can continue to make Christmas a special event for your child this year. We will send ideas home in the next 2 weeks.

There are still 15 pupils with 100% attendance so far this term. Well done to each of you for maintaining this excellent record for so many weeks. Only 2 weeks to go for 100% record for the full term!

Our whole school attendance is now 98.0% which is outstanding. Please continue to prioritise regular school attendance for your child. Compared to last year, our whole school attendance has improved significantly. Thank you for your support.

Christmas celebrations

On Friday 18th December, there will be several Christmas activities taking place in school. Although these look a little different to previous years, we have found ways for the children to enjoy the typical activities that we hold in school each year.

We invite everyone to wear a Christmas Jumper on this day. Please don't buy a Christmas Jumper especially for this event. It would be lovely to see jumpers that have been decorated by your children (perhaps add tinsel or baubles to a jumper).

Ms Nicholson will be preparing a special Christmas Dinner for everyone on this day. Staff will celebrate with the children in their classrooms and there will be table decorations to help make lunch feel special. If you missed ordering a Christmas Dinner for your child, please contact the school office.

In the afternoon, each class will join in a Christingle Service together. We are hoping to connect each class virtually to help bring our school community together in this celebration.

Also in the afternoon, teachers are organising class party games for the children to enjoy together.

Dates for the diary

7th Dec - Robbie Hawkes PE

11th Dec - Forest School

14th Dec - Robbie Hawkes PE

18th Dec – Christmas Jumper Day
(or decorate a jumper)

Christmas dinner

Class based Christmas
celebration

18th Dec - Break up for Christmas

4th January 2021 - Staff Training
Day

5th Jan - Pupils return to school

11th Jan - Robbie Hawkes PE

15th Jan – Forest School

18th Jan - Robbie Hawkes PE

25th Jan – Robbie Hawkes PE

29th Jan – Forest School

1st Feb – Robbie Hawkes PE

8th Feb – Robbie Hawkes PE

12th Feb – Forest School

Break up for half term

22nd Feb – Pupils return to school

22nd Feb – Robbie Hawkes PE

1st March – Robbie Hawkes PE

5th Mar – Forest School

8th Mar – Robbie Hawkes PE

15th Mar – Robbie Hawkes PE

19th Mar – Forest School

22nd Mar – Robbie Hawkes PE

29th Mar – Robbie Hawkes PE

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ParentPay

Please login to your ParentPay account to check any outstanding balance for school lunches and Breakfast Club. Your prompt payment for these items really helps the school office to run smoothly. Thank you for keeping your balance in credit as much as possible.

Christmas cards

We know that the children like to write Christmas cards for each other. These can still be brought to school, but we will need to ensure that any cards are quarantined for at least 72 hours before we distribute them. It would help if your child brings in their cards as soon as possible to enable this to happen. Cards brought in during the final week of term may not be distributed in time for Christmas. Please make sure the envelope is not sealed with saliva.

Cards to be brought into school by Friday 11th December.

If you are able to deliver cards out of school, please do so.

Christmas services

We have attached information regarding the church services that are taking place over the Christmas period. We hope many of you will take time to join these services.

Safety measures

Mr Davies sent an email this week to remind everyone about the safety measures in place at drop off and collection times. Please make sure you adhere to social distancing measures and that you do not gather in small groups when you are on the school run. These measures are vital to keep everyone in our school community as safe as possible.

Winter food vouchers

School has an allocation of funding to provide food vouchers over the Christmas holiday. Please note, if school fails to allocate the full amount, it will have to be returned. The priority is for families with children eligible for Free School Meals, but school can consider any family that may be experiencing financial hardship this winter. School would prefer these food vouchers to be allocated to families that need one this winter rather than return the funds.

Please email Mr Davies directly: headteacher@snainton.n-yorks.sch.uk

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