

Dear parents,

Once again, thank you for your generosity- we have raised over £526 for Children in Need and only have two parents who have yet to pay. The children really enjoyed the Pyjama day. We apologise for the short notice, but we felt that everyone would have some form of nightwear and it wouldn't cause you too many problems to organise. The teachers also enjoyed wearing their pyjamas all day too!

Aylesbury Vineyard Storehouse have sent a thank you letter this week for the wonderful generosity of Harvest donations we provided as a School.

Since COVID, between the months of April and October they have fed over 6900 people and collected over 2 tonnes of food from this Harvest which will go a long way to providing much needed food parcels this winter.

Thank you also for your supportive emails this week. It hasn't been easy, but we all feel that with your support we can deal with the incidents of COVID-19 affecting our families confidentially and with kindness.

I was fortunate enough to host parent Forum today. Your representatives did a great job and many things were discussed.

Mrs Price

Pick up arrangements

Some parents have asked for us to change the close of day arrangements to allow for pick up from both sites. We have not noticed this to be a significant problem. We know which parents are likely to be late because they are doing a pickup on the infant site and that is fine. Please remember if your child is in catchment you are entitled to us the school bus service, which may help with pickups.

After School Clubs

All sports clubs finish on Friday 27th November. We are unable to offer any other provision as we do not have the space to accommodate Night Owls and clubs in the school hall. We appreciate that this does cause childcare problems for some parents. However, we are also aware that not all schools have provided sports clubs for their pupils this term.

Christmas activities

We thought it might be helpful to explain some of the Cuddington and Dinton Christmas traditions that we will be continuing this year:-

Infant Nativity- This will be filmed and put on our website. It will stay live until 5th January 2021, so that you can share it with family and friends. All children in the video have permission to be filmed.

Christmas Surprise Shop- This is where your child can come to school and buy 3 presents which will be wrapped. Please see separate email for further information.

Christmas Tombola and Chocolate Mufti- Children can wear their own clothes and instead of paying £1, they bring in some chocolate. We then sell raffle tickets and children have the chance to win some chocolate in the tombola.

Christmas Jumper Day- On the last day of term the children are allowed to wear Christmas jumpers. This is a fundraising activity for Save The Children and all children pay a minimum of £1 to wear their jumper.

Christmas Fair- this is online on the school website under F4CADs. Please support the school by buying items at our virtual Fair, as well as using Amazon Smile and Easy Fundraising.

Children's hand-made gifts- all children will be making a Christmas gift in school. Pictures of these will go on the website and you will be able to purchase your child's handmade item through School Comms Gateway App.

Christmas Quiz- the junior Christmas quiz will be taking place in bubbles in the last week of term and hopefully Mother Christmas will visit!

Infant Christmas 'party'- this will take place on the last day of term and hopefully a socially distanced Santa will visit!

Unfortunately, we are unable to do our traditional Junior Carol service this year or the Junior games day.

Upcoming diary dates

23.11.20- Boxes available on both sites for you to donate gifts for the Children's Christmas Shop
2.12.20- Nativity Rehearsal
4.12.20- Nativity filming
9.12.20- Infant Christmas shop
10.12.20- Junior Christmas shop
11.12.20- Christmas Mufti
17.12.20- Chocolate Tombola draw
18.12.20- Christmas jumper day and Infant Christmas party.
18.12.20- Infant site finishes 1pm, Junior site 1.30pm

Stars of the week

F - Josh, Clara
1 - Eleri, Alice G
2 - Maks K, Oscar
3 - Leena, Zachary
4 - Molly M, Maisie
5 - Blake, Gabriel
6 - Nadia, Elliot

Science Star

4 - Harrison