



School Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic 'back to normal week'!

The 3 nativity performances were superb. Thank you to Mrs Rysdale, Mrs Manders and others who helped out on the refreshments- £250 raised for crisis at Christmas (25 Christmas dinners in children speak!). Thank you also to Mr Mackriell, Miss Holdford, Mrs Harvey, Mrs Humphreys, Miss Roberts, Miss Davies and Mrs Hadley. But most importantly, Thank you to the children, who were wonderful.

I thought we were slightly mad doing the Christmas Fayre in the same week, however that also proved to be a success. Thank you to everyone who was able to attend, and we appreciated you sticking to our guidance. Thank you to Mrs Maton and Mr Mee for organising the event and 'rallying the troops' to help out on the night. The children's games were a great success, and the winners will be announced in school next week.

I know some parents were disappointed that we couldn't have the Carol Concert, but I hope the outdoor singing on Friday evening proved to be a good alternative. The children did an excellent job (despite mine and Mr Mackriell's technical lapses) and I would like to thank Charlie, Blayne, Harrison and Archie Dis for their solos and, of course, Lucy HH (who didn't know she was going to be asked to perform again- what a star!).

As we start the final week, I would like to express thanks from all the school staff for your support and understanding as we have navigated another COVID inhibiting term. The decisions we have had to make have not been easy, but we hope that we have done our best to put the children at the front of the decision-making process to enable them to have a safe but rewarding experience this term, both in and out of the classroom.

Mrs Price

Omicron variant of COVID

We will continue with the established programme of handwashing, hand sanitising and spraying tables to keep everyone as protected as possible. However, please do not send your child to school if they have any symptoms. Any child with a cough or cold will be isolated and you will be asked to come and collect them from school as soon as possible.

We fully expect the school to be open as normal in January and ask that you follow the Government guidelines during the Christmas break to limit the impact of COVID. If there are any changes to this, we will notify you via Schoolcomms.

Santa's visit to the Infant site

Santa will be coming to see the Infants on Thursday 16th December. He will be social distancing and will have done a lateral flow test before his sleigh arrives. When giving the presents to the children, he will hand them to a member of staff who will then hand them to the children. We obviously have his North Pole contact details, should we need to inform him of any COVID in school.

Christmas Jumper Day

We have chosen to do 'Christmas Jumper Day' on Thursday 16th December. Your child/children can wear anything Christmassy (head attire, onesie, Christmas jumper) with their school uniform and we ask you to make a minimum donation of £1 to Save the Children, via Schoolcomms. We thought Santa might like to see them looking Christmassy!

Christmas Trees from Hartwell Nurseries

The Infant and Junior Christmas trees have kindly been donated by Hartwell Nurseries.

Christmas Fayre

F4CADs will hopefully be able to send an update out before the end of the term.

Thank you to Native Feasts for their kind donation of gingerbread men for some extra tasty treats on the refreshments stall at the fayre.

Proud of Bucks Awards to Young People

The Proud of Bucks Awards, generously sponsored by The Clare Foundation, are a fantastic way to celebrate all those who have gone above and beyond in their local community. The awards aim to shine a local light on adults, young people and community groups that deserve recognition for their contribution within Buckinghamshire's amazing communities. For more information, including how to submit your nomination please take a look at the Proud of Bucks Community Awards webpage: <https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/community-and-safety/proud-of-bucks-awards/>

Important Dates -

14th December crafts that were not collected at the fayre will be available afterschool

16th December Christmas jumper Day and Junior quiz

16th December Infants Christmas party and Santa visit

17th December Half Day finish 1.15pm Infants, 1.30pm Juniors

Payments Open -

Donations 2021 (junior site food contributions)

Willersley Castle

Christmas crafts

Year 6 Derby 2022 Residential trip
Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day
Year 2 swimming



Little Owls - Cleo and Willoughby

Yr 1 - Delilah and Amelie

Yr 2 - Ingrid and Lucy H

Yr 3 - Archie and Thea

Yr 4 - Bella and Drew

Yr 5 - Dillon and Henry

Yr 6 - Gabriel and Charlie



Leaves

Little Owls - whole class

Yr 6 - Archie Dis

Please go to the school website calendar for diary dates www.cuddingtonanddintonschool.co.uk
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