

17th December 2020 Newsletter

HAPPY CHRISTMAS

We hope that your child has received their little gift for being so good this year. Maybe they could find a book at home to use it in.



Friday 18th December is an INSET Day

Monday 4th January is an INSET Day

Children return on Tuesday 5th January

PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT REMOTE LEARNING PACKS ARE KEPT SAFE AND RETURNED IN JANUARY.

THANK YOU!

Thank you all our parents and children who have worked with us since September and been so supportive in trying to make our academy as safe as we can during these difficult times. It has not been easy and, at times, it has felt as if we have been riding on a never-ending rollercoaster ride. We could not have done it without all of you- the children have coped admirably in some very challenging and different circumstances.

We will continue to do everything that we can into 2021 for as long as we need to.

Please do everything that you can to keep yourselves safe during the break and enjoy Christmas with your families. We look forward to welcoming you back in the New Year.

Thank you to all the parents who have supported the Facebook Advent. The last post will go up tomorrow and the challenge will be a drawing one- all drawings sent in by 3pm will be posted on Facebook



IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR REPORTING POSITIVE COVID-19 CASES

The academy will need to continue tracking and tracing for any confirmed positive cases of Covid-19 from the 18th December until the 23rd December, if your child develops symptoms within 48 hours of them last being in school. Please use the Covid-19 hotline for this. It may be necessary for us to contact you to inform parents of any children who may have been in contact with another person who has tested positive during the last few days in school. Please do not contact the academy office by telephone because the academy will be closed so messages will not be picked up.

After 23rd December there will be no need to notify the academy of any positive cases until the academy reopens on 5th January. Where a pupil tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, the school should not be contacted.

COVID-19 HOTLINE TELEPHONE NUMBER: 01424 563024

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE

Since September an increasing number of our children have reported difficulties with messages that they receive from other children online. Some of these have upsetting for children. Whatsapp group chats and Xbox games seem to be a particular issue. Please talk to your child about how to keep themselves safe, and what should and should not be said in messages, and monitor their online activities. If you need support with ideas on how to do this Childline has some good advice.



Please help your child so that they do not become a victim online.

Reverse Advent

What an amazing effort. 14 crates of food were donated by staff and parents during December for the local foodbank. So much generosity at such a difficult time. Thank you to everyone who made a contribution.

