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Coronavirus Update

A quarter of pupils in school and half of our teaching staff have tested positive in the last two weeks. Thank you to everyone for updating us as promptly as possible.

We are now in outbreak mode, and so we cannot invite families to watch performances of our Nativity and Aladdin.

A film crew has been booked for 13th December, as an alternative, although we still may not have enough of the cast in school to go ahead. If this is the case we will defer our performances until the new year when hopefully we can invite families in to watch or at least make a film with most of the children.

Photos of children in costumes will still be taken on Monday but the photographer will return at a later date to capture more children as they return to school.

We appreciate how hard this is for everyone and wish a speedy recovery to all the staff, children and families affected.

We are planning to deep clean and fog the building on Friday evening.

Holy Communion Preparation

Next Tuesday's meeting for families is cancelled. Instead the children will do the session with Mr Mackenzie during the day and the parent booklets will be sent home.



Christmas Fair

Next Friday afternoon we intend to hold our Christmas Fair for the children. There are some amazing prizes for them to win and some fun stalls and games to play on. Many thanks to everyone who has donated using [SchoolMoney](#).

New Year Bingo

The date for our Bingo evening will be finalised in the new year. Our Junior children love Bingo so we will play on Microsoft Teams in school, as a Christmas treat, before we break up.

Baby News

Mrs Chippendale gave birth to a beautiful baby girl on 23rd November.

She weighed 5lb 9oz.



Elsie Rose Chippendale

Designers of the Future

Year 4 have been designing and making their own Christmas decorations.



Visiting Teachers

Many thanks to the supply teachers who have been covering classes during the past two weeks. They have all fitted in beautifully and really helped us out at this challenging time.

Thank you also to staff in school for being so flexible and versatile.

Trips Out

Our trips to **Windmill Farm** and the **Cinema** are being rescheduled for the new year.

Three Kings Raffle

Parents may buy raffle tickets using **SchoolMoney** to have a chance of winning one of our **Three Kings Hampers**: Caspar, Melchior or Balthasar. The hampers are full of Christmas wines and chocolates, as well as gold, frankincense and myrrh! There will also be a £100 cash prize and vouchers for the cinema.



Aladdin Costumes

Year 3 and **Year 4** all need black leggings or trousers or joggers
Year 5 boys all need black leggings or trousers or joggers
Year 5 girls all need tiaras and lots of jewellery
Year 6 all costumes are provided
Year 6 princesses need tiaras and lots of jewellery
Costumes from home need to be in school for Monday 6th December for photos.



Nativity Costumes

Most are provided by school. Teachers will let parents know if children need anything in particular.



	Star of the Week	Marvellous Manners	Reading	Gospel Values
Reception	Callum	Daniel	Arabella	
Year 1	Evie M	Rosie	David	
Year 2	Ellie	Grace	Jake	
Year 3	Charlotte	Iyla	John	
Year 4	Charlotte	Levi	Daniel	Jaxon
Year 5	Lacie	Olivia W	Nathan	
Year 6	Abbie	Jack	Gabriella	

Dates for your Diary

Monday 20th December 2021

- Christmas Breakfast 8am
- Christmas Party day

Tuesday 21st December 2021

- Morning Mass in school
- Christmas Dinner
 - Christmas Film

Wednesday 22nd December 2021

- Christmas activities
- Finish at 1.30pm

Outdoor Carol Concert

Our school choir still expects to sing in the Peace Garden before Christmas, but will have to be flexible about dates and times. Many of the choir have tested positive and Ms Flaherty has only just returned to school.



Our infants had fun in the hall this week, acting out the nativity story.

Word of the Week

identical

similar in every detail, exactly alike

To improve our spoken and written English we highlight a word each week and use it as much as we can! Older children may be able to learn the spelling.