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27th November, 2020

Autumn Term

Last day of the Autumn term will be 18th December, 2020

Half term Monday 26th October, 2020 – Friday 30th October, 2020 inclusive

Holywell is a NO NUT Zone.

A message from Mrs. Denham

Well done to even more parents who have managed to get onto Teams this week. Thank you for persevering and supporting us. The children are really enjoying using Teams in school. We will get there in the end!

We hope you enjoyed reading all about the Christmas activities staff and the PTA have planned for your children. We all really wanted to make Christmas a very special time for all the children. It was wonderful to see the children and staff in their Christmas jumpers and clothes today. Thank you so much for those families who have already donated to "Save the children" on Parentpay.

These were the dates and things we would like to achieve: -

1. We would like to support "Save the Children **Christmas Jumper** Fundraise" every Friday on Dec 4th, Dec 11th and Dec 18th
2. **Christmas cards** – we afraid we can't allow several hundreds of Christmas cards coming into school due to COVID. Therefore, we are going to have to say that no cards can come into school from home. However, instead, in school every child will design and make and then receive one lovely personal card from someone else in the class.
3. **Christmas lunch** – this will be on Wednesday December 16th in class bubbles, over two sittings. Children will be able to wear Christmas jumpers and hats on this day too and children will make a special **laminated placemat** to take into the hall for their lunch. Before lunch, at 11.40pm all classes to be on a Teams meeting. A special visitor may make a surprise entrance on Teams and then wave and welcome children to their Christmas lunch – all socially distanced of course.
4. **Christmas swop shop** – Monday December 14th at 1pm. Parents may send in any small donations of presents. Due to COVID restrictions, donations will ONLY be accepted on Thursday 10th & Friday 11th December. A tray will be left on the doorstep of the main entrance for donations and they will be put in the back of the hall over the weekend to be isolated for 72hrs. On swop shop day, ensure the children will hand sanitise before and after the swop shop. They will only touch the item they choose as their present. They will put it in a **decorated white paper bag** and then take it home the same day. Parents can then isolate the item for 72 hours, in line with all present guidance.
5. **Carols and Christingle service** – via Teams, we will hold a short carol service and Christingle in each class on 2.30pm Wednesday 16th December. Rev Gary will join u via Teams.
6. We will organise a **socially distanced Christmas party/film afternoon** in class bubbles on the last day of term, Friday December 18th.
7. Each class will take part in a simple **play/song/dance** instead of our normal Christmas Play. We aren't sure if we can share this with families yet but we hope to be able to and will let you know.

Privacy Notice

The Trust has updated its Privacy Notice for parents. It is available for you to view on our website <https://www.ventrus.org.uk/our-people/privacy-notices/>

Save the Children Christmas Jumper

We have set up a collecting page within ParentPay, like Children in Need/sponsored child in Africa fundraiser. For the donation of £2.00 your child will be able to wear their Christmas Jumper to school **every Friday** until the end of term. Dates -, Dec 4th, Dec 11th and Dec 18th

Admission to primary school 2021 (for children born between 01/09/2016 and 31/08/2017)

The application facility opens on 15th November 2020 and closes at midnight on 15th January 2021. It is important that parents apply before the closing date, even if they are intending to defer their child's admission until later in the academic year, they must secure a place before that decision need be made.

ParentPay

Can I please thank all parents who have now activated their accounts on ParentPay only 3 parents have not yet login.

Walking or cycling home from school

If you wish you child to wither cycle or walk home from school alone, without another adult present can you please notify the school in writing. Thank you.

Flu Immunisation

30th November 2020

Dates for your diary

4th December 2020

1st Christmas Jumper day. **Also, 11th & 18th December.** Funds to Save the children. **A one off** donation of £2.00 per child which will cover the 4 weeks. This will be up on ParentPay and should be available by the 19th November.

Term Dates – Dec 2020 to July 2021

18 th December 2020	Last day of Term
5 th January 2021	Spring Term begins
15 th February to 19 th February 2021	Half Term
1 st April 2021	Last Day of Term
19 th April 2021	Summer Term begins
3 rd May 2021	Spring Bank Holiday
28 th May 2021	Non Pupil Day
31 st May to 4 th June 2021	Half Term
23 rd July 2021	Last Day of Term

News from the PTA



Christmas Raffle

Thank you to all who have donated prizes! The draw will take place online on 11th December at 6pm. Please remember to return your stubs and payment by Tuesday 8th December. If you require any more tickets, the school office has some available. Please see attached letter for further details and list of prizes.

Your School Lottery

Thank you to everyone who has bought a lottery ticket! There is a draw every Saturday and you can buy tickets any time! Tickets cost just £1 for the chance to win up to £25,000 jackpot. The easiest way is to pay by direct debit, simply go to <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/holywell-church-of-england-primary-school> Good luck!

Online shopping

If you are going to do any shopping online, you can easily raise funds for the school by using Amazon Smile and Easyfundraising. Of course we do not wish to deter you from shopping locally! but for those things you still need to buy online, please remember to use these links:

Amazon Smile: Simply shop at

https://smile.amazon.co.uk/gp/chpf/homepage/ref=smi_chpf_redirect?ie=UTF8&ein=1045040-0&ref=smi_ext_ch_1045040-0_cl

or with AmazonSmile ON in the Amazon Shopping app, and AmazonSmile donates to Friends of Holywell School, Tawstock at no extra cost to you.

Easyfundraising: please sign up & share

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofholywellschool/?invite=2RQAJ0%26referral-campaign=c2s%26utm_campaign=admin-trigger%26utm_content=srt

Second hand uniform

If you require any items or wish to donate pre-loved uniform, please contact Hazel on 07974208835.

