



NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents/Carers

26 November 2020

The end of another busy week, with some classes starting their STEM activities, and other classes due to start next week. There are lots of fun activities and exciting learning planned for children, and it is great seeing them enjoying the things they have been working on.

Tom Singleton
Head of School

Elm Class

This week, we have been carrying out investigations linked with our Science topics of materials and seasonal changes. So far, we have looked at how we can make ordinary materials stronger by changing their shapes. We have then been looking at how we can use our understanding to build different structures. We have also started to practise our BSL carols for our school performance.

Earrings

A reminder that earrings cannot be worn during PE/Games. Please make sure your child is not wearing earrings when their class has PE, or that they can take them out themselves. Please check the school website when classes have their sessions. School is not responsible for any lost earrings.

E-Safety

We have had a few incidents in school where children have used inappropriate language which they have heard online, and other children have said that they have been speaking to people they don't know on online games. It is really important to be aware of what your child is doing and accessing online to ensure that they are kept safe and never speak to people they do not know. Children often play games and communicate via headphones so it may not be obvious what they are playing and who is communicating with them. Please also be aware that many games, such as Fortnite, have age recommendations in order to protect children, so it is important that you do whatever you can to protect your children from inappropriate content and contacts.

For further information, please visit:

www.thinkuknow.co.uk

www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/gaming-whats-appropriate-for-your-child

Clothing and footwear

Please ensure that your child/ren has suitable clothing and footwear appropriate for the weather for inside and outside while at school as classroom windows are open to allow air circulation.

Signing Carols

If you would like to help your child get familiar with them then I have included a link to both songs. We wish you a Merry Christmas – all children taking part

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a-PBixyD_GU

Rudolph the red nose reindeer Willow and Elm classes

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PgU4tTknsQQ>

Diary Dates

PD Day – Friday 27 November (no children in school)

Socially distanced Big Breakfast – 3 December

Christmas Card Postbox – 7 – 11 December

Christmas craft day – 9 December

Christmas Jumper Day (bring chocolate/Christmas donation for the foodbank) – 11th December

Signing Carols on the playground (children only) – 16th December

Making Christmas party hats – 17th December

Christmas Lunch and Last day in School, class Christmas parties – Friday 18 December

Children return to school 5th January

Term Dates

2020-2021

Autumn Term

Monday 7 September

Friday 18 December

Half term week 26 October

PD Day Friday 27 November

Spring Term

Tuesday 5 January

Thursday 26 March

Half term week 15 February

Summer Term

Monday 12 April

Wednesday 21 July

Half term week 31 May