



NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents/Carers

18 December 2020

It has been a lovely week to finish a busy term! Children have managed to enjoy lots of Christmas activities, from making Christmas hats, enjoying party games and food and doing silent carols on the playground. I would like to wish you all a very happy and restful Christmas, and look forward to seeing everyone back in 2021.

Tom Singleton
Head of School

The DfE has asked us to provide the following information concerning contact during the Christmas holiday. It applies to all Mendlesham pupils and staff.

You should contact us at admin@mendleshamschool.org.uk if your child develops symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, and they receive a positive test result up to and including Thursday 24 December. Please add COVID into the title of your email. No other emails will be monitored.

In all other situations over the holidays, you should get in touch with [NHS Test and Trace](#).

School staff will not be on-call or conduct any contact tracing after Thursday 24 December.

If your child needs to self-isolate due to contact with a positive case after 24 December, you do not need to inform us about their absence until 5 January 2021.

We will monitor COVID related messages on admin@mendleshamschool.org.uk from Saturday 19 December to Thursday 24 December. The email address will be checked at 11:00 and 16:00 each day. If you need to contact us, please provide your child's name and a contact phone number. We will not be monitoring any other emails. The school telephone message service will be unavailable after 4.00pm on Friday 18 December until Monday 4 January 2021.

We will inform you as appropriate if a positive case is notified to us through this email address. You will only receive a notification if your child has been in close contact with the positive case. We will not be sending out emails to the whole community.

Thank you in advance for your support and cooperation.

FOMSA

There will be a Bag2School collection on Thursday 28 January.

Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you to everyone who generously donated to Stowmarket Food Bank the amazing amount of 47 kilos of chocolate and Christmas goodies were sent.

PE and Games – Y2, 3, 4, 5 &6

Please ensure that your child/ren always have their PE kits in school for their timetabled Games and PE lessons. These are an important part of the curriculum and all children are expected to take part. A letter must be sent to your child's class teacher if they are unable to participate at any time.

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

Diary Dates

Children return to school Tuesday 5 January

Bag2School collection date Thursday 28 January