

Langley Fitzurse Church of England Primary School



Newsletter



Newsletter 13

Tuesday 8th December 2020

"Amaze, Excite, Inspire"

Counting Down...

The postbox is filling quite quickly. Please can we ask that envelopes have the recipient's name and class on them—to help with sorting and delivering next week.

We are looking forward to supporting Save the children by wearing Christmas Jumpers on **Thursday 17th December**—we will send you a link to pay the £2 for non-uniform. Home decorated jumpers are brilliant, so a trip to the shops is not necessary to support the charity.

Traditionally we would have been singing carols and songs in many ways and in many places by now and we would have enjoyed sharing this with you. Its is such a shame that we have not been able to be together for a Christmas service at St Peters or enjoyed a 'live' KS1 Nativity.

We have been wracking our brains in thinking about a way we can COVID safely be together and have come up with a plan...

On **Friday 18th**, each class will be singing a handful of carols and songs to their families from the front of the school at the end of the day. We ask that parents stay on the grass outside the school—the usual pick up place and socially distanced.

Hercules 2.00pm

Pegasus 2.15pm

Phoenix 2.30pm

Chameleon 2.45pm

This will mean more of a staggered finish. Once classes have sung then parents are more than welcome to take their children home—this will be a little earlier for some than others.

If parents are not able to join classes for carols, children will remain with their class teachers until the end of the day.

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Congratulations and Thank You!

Congratulations to Poppy B, Eddie, Billy, Poppy A and Findlay of Chameleon Class for reading 10 times per week!

Huge thanks to everyone who supported the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal in school. We raised a record breaking £193.33!



COVID Information during Christmas Break

Information regarding COVID for school and the community is moving at a really fast pace.!

The Department for Education have just released the following guidance for schools, and have requested that **parents continue to contact school for the first 6 days of the school holiday—this will be up to and including 24th December 2020**, should their child or a member of their family be unwell and go on to have a positive test.

'Where pupils are required to self-isolate due to contact with a positive case after the first 6 days following the end of term, schools do not need to be informed about their absence until the first day of the new term.'

The school has created a CovidAlert email that will be monitored on a daily basis during this period: **COVIDALERT@stanton-st-quintin.wilts.sch.uk** Please note that despite the address, this email should be used for Langley Fitzurse families

If you do need to inform the school, then your email will be acknowledged and the school will then be in touch with Public Health so that they can advise the next steps from a school perspective.

Thank you in anticipation for your support in this matter.

Could you Qualify for Free School Meals?

We are conscious that family circumstances may be changing for some of our families during these tough COVID times. If you think that you may now qualify for free school meals, why not check the Wiltshire Council website:

<https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/schools-learning-free-school-meals>

You could also contact Mrs Moor in confidence on finance@langleyfitzurse.wilts.sch.uk

We know this is a difficult time for everyone and if you feel you need additional support, and do not have a network of support around you, the Wiltshire Wellbeing Hub is available. You can call the Hub on 0300 003 4576 or email wellbeinghub@wiltshire.gov.uk. It is open Monday to Friday from 9am until 5pm, and Saturday and Sunday from 10am until 4pm.

Advent Reflections 2020

W/c 7th December – 2nd week in Advent: PEACE

Peace is one of God's gifts to us. It is in our actions of love and justice that God's peace is shown. Look at your hands and your feet. How do they help you show God's love?

Think about where you need to go, or what you might need to do to bring God's peace to our world?





PTA Christmas Hamper

Last push—we are so nearly there! If you haven't bought any dates yet or your dates had already gone, please try again.

These dates are still available:

January: 2, 6, 8, 10, 15, 17, 18, 23, 27, 29 & 30

February: 2, 7, 18, 20 & 24

March: 5, 8, 10, 14, 19, & 26

April: 2, 5, 6, 8, 12, 17, 20, 23, 26 & 29

May: 2, 3, 6, 12, 14, 18, 19, 26 & 28

June: 2, 6, 7, 11, 13, 15, 17, 22, 24, 27 & 30

July: 1, 3, 6, 9, 12, 17, 19, 22, 23, 27, 28 & 30

August: 2, 3, 14, 17, 18, 21, 22, 24, 26, 29 & 30

September: 1, 2, 4, 5, 9, 16, 19, 21 & 22

October: 2, 6, 8, 12, 13, 17, 19, 21, 23, 25, 27 & 30

November: 2, 5, 6, 8, 10, 14, 19, 23, 26, 28 & 29

December: 2, 10, 12, 14, 23, 26, 28 & 29

Dates are £3 –please contact Mrs Howe to buy them. If you are on our ParentMail system, you can pay online. If you're not—cash is fine too! Please help our PTA reach their fundraising goal of £1,000!

Christian Distinctiveness at Langley Fitzurse School

Week 6: Respect in school

Respect is about tolerance, patience and caring. It can simply mean treating each other with politeness and kindness, recognising that everyone's contribution is important, and everyone's feelings should be considered. Respecting someone does not mean that we always have to agree with the other person, BUT that we are prepared to listen and share our views without rudeness or impatience.

In your classroom, how do you treat others, especially people you don't get on with?

In the playground, how do we treat each other and the equipment with respect?

In school how are we showing respect for our environment, God's Creation?

A respectful person understands that as human beings we are all equal.

***'Respect – to get it you must give it.'* Anon**



Live Covid Update from Wiltshire Council Tonight!

Wiltshire residents are invited to join the council for its second live public COVID-19 update at 5pm tonight (8 December 2020).

Wiltshire Council Leader, Cllr Philip Whitehead, will be joined by Terence Herbert, Chief Executive of Wiltshire Council and Kate Blackburn, Director of Public Health to help guide you through the latest information and regulations.

The live briefing will be broadcast via Microsoft Teams. Viewers should download the Microsoft Teams app to their device in advance and use this link to join: [8 December COVID-19 public update](#).

The briefing will also be recorded and available via the council's YouTube channel as soon as possible afterwards.