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"To go forward together in Christ, respecting our neighbour and striving for excellence"

In response to the news of the C19 Omicron variant at the weekend, I enclose an update for all our families.

We do need to exercise some caution and therefore request the following:

Face masks: All visitors entering the school building, will once again be required to wear a face mask. Face masks are not required for drop off and collection at this stage, but are required if you need to speak to a member of staff on the yard and social distancing measures cannot be maintained.

If entering the School porch at our main entrance, please wear a face mask.

Social distancing: We advise all members of our school community to observe social distancing measures.

In line with Government Guidance, any children or members of staff who are confirmed contacts of the **new omicron variant**, will be required to self isolate for 10 days. This may again result in whole class isolation periods. Please therefore remain vigilant and seek a PCR test if your child develops new symptoms. Please do not send your child into School until a PCR result has been received.

Our Christmas Fair will take place with the children on Thursday 9th December. **The deadlines for orders is Friday 3rd December.** Parents should have received an order form to place orders for raffle tickets or crafts their children have made.

We are asking for any nice raffle prizes to be donated to school please.



PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSION 2022

If you have a child who is due to start school in September 2022 you need to apply for their school place now.

Please visit

www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools and search 'school admissions'.

Closing date is 15th January 2022

GAWTHORPE HALL- Class 3

Class 3 are going on a trip to Gawthorpe Hall next Friday 10th where they will take part in a carousel of four workshops. They will also meet Father Christmas and discuss with him the traditions of a Victorian Christmas. They will experience some traditional

Victorian games and make a cornucopia for the tree.

COATS AND UNIFORM

Now that the winter weather is upon us please ensure your child has a suitable coat in school. All children should be dressed in the correct school uniform and should not wear either jewellery or nail varnish. It is essential that ALL UNIFORM is labelled! Most lost property with a clear name in gets back to its owner. Haircuts should be no shorter than a number 3.

FILM NIGHTS

We have organised two film nights for each key stage. Juniors is on Tuesday 7th December and Infants is on Wednesday 8th December. Each class will be watching the film with crisp and juice. The film will end at 5pm and children will be handed over on the yard to parents. Tickets are available to purchase on the parent mail or at the school office. £2:50

NATIVITY

The Infants Nativity tickets are now on sale at the office or on school money online shop. We are only allowing two tickets per family for the performance due to health and safety regulations and as a covid safety measure. All parents must wear a mask and we ask if you would take an LFD test prior to attending. Chairs will be socially distanced and windows will be open as a preventative measure. Tickets cost £2 each
Class 1 - Friday 10th December
Class 2 – Wednesday 15th December

POTENTIAL COVID – 19 SYMPTOMS

There are different tests you can get to check if you have coronavirus (COVID-19).

The test you need depends on why you're getting tested. The two main tests are:

- PCR tests – mainly for people with symptoms.
- Rapid lateral flow tests – for people who do not have symptoms.

Get a PCR test as soon as possible if you have any of these symptoms, even if they're mild:



- A high temperature
- A new, continuous cough
- A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

Stay at home until you get the test results – only leave your home to have a test. Children having to isolate will have work set for them again through our Google Classroom platform.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY!

On Thursday 9th December, we are asking you to send your child to school in a Christmas Jumper together with £1 donation on parent mail. If they don't have a Christmas jumper, then any non-uniform day clothes. Don't worry!



Salvation Army have once again teamed up to launch their annual appeal to help families and children who might otherwise go without this Christmas. After a difficult year we want to reach out to the people who are suffering the most and bring joy and hope into their lives this Christmas. Thousands of people will turn to The Salvation Army for help this winter.

Please support the Christmas Present Appeal by donating new, unwrapped toys and gifts for children who might not otherwise receive a Christmas present. We are asking for gifts to be sent in with your child and they will be handed over to the Salvation Army on **Monday 6th December**.

The gifts will then be wrapped and distributed to those in need. We believe every child deserves a new gift at Christmas so we are unable to take used or second hand items for the Christmas Present Appeal.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

6th December – Salvation Army Gifts
7th December – Film Night – KS 2
8th December - Film night – KS 1
9th December - Christmas Dinner/
Jumper Day
10th December –Class 3 Trip to
Gawthorpe Hall
10th December – Class 1 Nativity 2:30pm
15th December – Class 2 Nativity 2:30pm
16th December - Party Day
17th December - School Closes at
3:30pm
Wednesday 5th January – school
reopen 8:55am