



December Newsletter 2020



Dear Parents,

We are so proud of how the pupils have conducted themselves throughout this term. As a big thank you, we have organised a final Christmas week of festive fun to celebrate. So take note of all the dates and activities organised. We will remind you daily on Facebook! Christmas plays, parties and even Christmas card giving has had to be carefully thought about to keep us all Covid safe but read on to see how we have adapted them.

Mrs Bruce



Christmas Performances

Early years (Reception and Nursery) - Will go ahead with their traditional nativity play. We can't have a parent audience in school but staff are going to film the show (possibly in segments) and send it to parents via tapestry.

We will also send photographs home.

KS1 and KS2 (Year One, Two, Three and Four)

Year 4 will perform the Christmas nativity (just like we do in church). Again, we can't have a live audience this year but we will record it and send it to parents via dropbox.

Each of the other year groups are learning a song and the teachers will allocate a verse to pupils to adhere to Covid singing rules. Songs will be recorded on the stage in the hall and we can send a link / dropbox of the videoed carols to parents.



Friday 11th December National School Games Santa Dash

All pupils will take part in running around our daily mile track as follows:

Nursery 1 lap

Reception 4 laps

Year One 6 laps

Year Two 8 laps

Year Three 10 laps

Year Four 12 laps



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Children are invited to come in Christmas dress ups (that you can safely run in!) or festive leggings or jogging bottoms and Christmas jumpers. You could even customise/ decorate an old t- shirt with your own Christmas design. Medals to be won for best effort with costumes and super running efforts on the day!



Get ready for a fabulous Christmas week Monday 14th December

On Monday 14th - Christmas quiz and competition extravaganza

This is a day of competitions, quizzes and fun for all year groups. The first amazing competition is of course....



Festive Fruit competition

All you need to do to enter is create a Christmas themed creation which uses a maximum of three different pieces of fruit. Can you turn an apple into a reindeer? A banana into Santa?

Complete this task at home and bring it in on Monday to kick start the fun!



On Tuesday 15th - Christmas Movie Day

Come dressed in your snuggliest PJs for a special Christmas movie day!



On Wednesday 16th - Christmas Craft Day

Today you will make marvellous creations and Christmas decorations.

It is also **Christmas Dinner Day!** Christmas dinner will be served on

Wednesday 16th December. If your child is usually on a packed lunch

but would like to receive a dinner on that day, please email Miss Nowak at:

admin@amblefirst.northumberland.sch.uk

Miss Nowak will book it via cashless system so please top up your child's 'dinner pot' with £2.20 (children in Reception, years 1 and 2 are free).

If your child is usually on school dinners you don't need to email school to book.



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All children are invited to wear their Christmas jumper to celebrate on Wednesday 16th December!



And as if that wasn't enough...Reverend John is going to join us (virtually) in the afternoon to share the Christmas nativity story and our hopes, dreams and prayers for a very, merry Christmas.



On Thursday 17th - Christmas Party Day

Come dressed in your snazzy party clothes. Parties will be held in classes this year to keep Covid safe.

Can pupils in years 1,2,3 and 4 bring a named party plate in with some snacks/party food.



On Friday 18th - Christmas game day

Children can enjoy the games/ computer games and toys we can safely share and play in school.



Christmas cards

To keep the school Covid safe, children can bring in Christmas cards to give to children in their bubble only:

EYFS bubble: Toucans, Nursery and Reception

KS1 bubble: Year One and Year Two

KS2 bubble: Year Three and Year Four

How it will work: Children must bring their cards in **on a Monday** (from Monday 30th November). These will be isolated until Thursday and then handed out! So every

Monday up until Christmas children can bring in cards for their class. Please don't bring them in on any other day, as it is not Covid safe! Post boxes will be at the school entrance every Monday.

Have a Fantastic Christmas and a Happy New Year,

The Amble First School Team



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