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New Pupil (Year R, 2)

Headteacher's Weekly Email 14.12.2020

Monday 14th December 2020

Good Morning from the last week of term!

LAST DAY OF TERM - CHRISTMAS JUMPERS

School is open all day on Friday 18th December and will finish at our normal times. Christmas jumpers can be worn (bought or we'd really like to see home decorated ones!) for a donation to the NSPCC.

BACK TO SCHOOL

Children return to school on **TUESDAY 5th January 2021.**

WINNERS!

A huge thank you to Mrs Gawman for entering a competition and winning us £1000! The competition was organised by Telephone Europe and we were selected at random. A BIG cheque is on its way to us in the new year.

SCHOOL LOTTERY

Due to the current restrictions, we are not able to have our usual fundraising events so the HSA have been looking for alternatives. Any money will benefit ALL of our children - new books, IT equipment, garden days...

On Saturday 9th January 2021 our first draw will take place - [follow this link](https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/tavistock-primary-and-nursery-school)
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FREE SCHOOL MEALS

All parents/carers in receipt of the following support payments will be entitled to receive free school meals for their children from Nursery to Year 6:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
- Income Support (IS)

- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance (IBJSA)
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (IRESA)
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs, that does not exceed £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on (the payment someone receives for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)

Use this link to apply https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal_LIVE/en?ReturnUrl=%2FCCSCitizenPortal_live

Apply by Friday 18th and you will even receive the Government's Christmas voucher!

DON'T FORGET -

If you are shopping online to go through

easyfundraising.org.uk 'Tavistock Community Primary HSA'.

Just order via the website or download the mobile App to ensure your donations are made every time at no extra cost to you.

STAFF VACANCY

- APPRENTICE – Nursery Assistant, full time post 27.5 hours term time only, hourly rate £9.25 8.45-3.15pm Monday to Friday. The successful candidate is expected to complete a NVQ2 or 3, training and support will be provided.

If you are interested in this post please email or phone the office to request an application form (deadline Wednesday).

YEAR 1 and YEAR 2 TRIP TO THEATRE ROYAL - TOMORROW

Parentmail - Please make sure you have given permission and made a donation (suggested contribution £10) for your child in Years 1 or 2 to attend a production of 'The Gingerbread Man' at the Theatre Royal in Plymouth.

BOVIS HOMES – BAUBLE COMPETITION

We are delighted that Dillon, Haydn and Francesca were winners in the locally run competition. They each received their design recreated in a bauble and vouchers to go shopping.

LAPTOPS

The Department for Education have announced this week that our original allocation of 26 laptops will be honoured. However, the local donations we have received will not go to waste as they will ensure that more children can be supported.

CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS

Christmas Parties – Please bring party clothes in a bag.

Children will eat their normal packed lunch/dinner and have some party food

provided by the school kitchen in the afternoon. Nursery will have Christmas activities and some treats at their sessions throughout the week.

TODAY	Year 3 – Class 8 and 9
	Year 4 - Class 10 and 11
	Year 5 – Class 12 and 13
Wednesday 16 th December	Year 2 – Class 6 and 7
	Year 1 – Class 4 and 5
Thursday 17 th December	Year Reception – Class 2 and 3
	Year 6 – Class 14 and 15

Christmas Films - this week children will watch a Christmas film in class with popcorn and ice cream provided.

CONTACT IN THE HOLIDAYS/COVID-19

If you need to inform school of any circumstances (including positive Covid tests) or need support during the holidays, please use the usual admin@tavistock-pri.devon.sch.uk email address. This will be checked daily by myself and I will respond to any queries.

From today the period of self-isolation has been reduced to 10 days but we all know that this would impact on many Christmas family plans.

This year, of all years, I wish you a safe and peaceful holiday.

If we have learned anything this year, it is to appreciate what is really important – family, friends, health, the need to connect with others and the desire to make a contribution to our community. Let's hope that some of these positives can continue in the future months.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Lynnette Selbie

