

# Annie Lennard Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Well this has been quite a term! I am very happy to say we have managed to make it through to the Christmas holidays. I would like to say a massive thank you to you all for continuing to be so supportive of school during these very tricky times.

We are very proud of the children who have coped extremely well and continue to follow our guidelines to keep everyone as safe as possible. The children have worked really hard both in school and at home when necessary and are continuing to make good progress.

I would also like to thank all of our staff who have worked so hard this term in very difficult circumstances. They have tried to keep school life as normal as possible for the children, addressing all their learning needs both in school and online while ensuring they feel happy and safe.

I think all of us are now ready to break up, have a big rest and hopefully have a lovely Christmas.

We break up for Christmas on **Friday 18th December** at 3pm for Reception, Year 3 and Year 4; 3.10pm for Year 1 and Year 2; 3.20pm for Year 5 and Year 6.

**January 4th 2021 is a Training Day for the staff. All children start back at school on Tuesday 5th January 2021.**

## COVID GUIDANCE FOR OVER CHRISTMAS

I am really hoping that over the holiday everyone stays safe and well. However, if your family is affected by Covid during the two weeks it is really important you let us know. If you or your child tests positive then please send a text to me on 07483306844. This is especially important towards the end of the holiday so we can work out when it will be safe for your child to return to school.

## A few reminders ...

Please remember to send extra drinks in for your child as water bottles cannot be refilled.

If you send your child with a packed lunch then please send cutlery too, e.g. a spoon for a yogurt. Unfortunately, Covid guidelines do not allow us to provide cutlery for the children in this situation.

Thank you all for following the one way system around school. Thank you also for wearing a mask/face covering whenever you come through the school gates. We are following government guidelines and we really appreciate your support with this. These measures will continue in January.

Government guidelines are that we must keep everywhere in school well ventilated. This does mean that as it gets colder we are still having to keep windows open. Please make sure the children are wearing plenty

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of layers so they can keep warm in the classroom.

## Hot dinners in the new year

Hot meals will be available every day.

Monday: Fish fingers or cheese lattice

Tuesday: Hot dog or vegetarian hot dog

Wednesday: BBQ chicken or quorn nuggets

Thursday: Pizza

Friday: Fish fingers or quorn nuggets

Id like to finish this letter on a positive note.

First of all I would like to say a huge thank you to one of our parents who has very kindly donated most of the selection boxes the children will be getting from Father Christmas this year. Asda also very kindly donated some of the selection boxes and so did one of the supply agencies we use. We are very grateful for these donations.

Mrs Crozier is enjoying spending time getting to know her little baby girl. She will be returning to school part way through January. Until then I will continue as Acting Head.

Mr Nelson is waiting for his new baby to arrive any day now. We are all very excited to find out if he has a son or a daughter. We will let you know in the new year. Mr Nelson will be spending time with his new baby for the first three weeks in January. Mrs Stevens, Mr Bryan and Miss Clarke will be taking good care of Year 2 until he returns.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy Christmas and here's looking forward to a calmer, happier and healthier new year.

Thank you so much for your continuing support at this very tricky time. If you have got any questions or worries, Covid related or school related, please do not hesitate to call.

Please stay safe and well.

Mrs Rogman

