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FEDERATION NEWS

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Dear parents / carers

Christmas holidays are just around the corner! Thank you again for your support during the term, as we have tried to get things running as normally as possible. It's been great to get some first-hand experiences for the children this term, with visitors in to school, and visits out of school, residential etc. This has all been made possible by the wonderful and dedicated staff. We also managed face-to-face parents evening earlier in the term, but regrettably I took the difficult decision to video Christmas performances. Surely next year we will be back to normal.

My plan is that school will continue next week as we are this week, to keep the normality for the children in the lead up to Christmas. We know where the positive Covid cases are (currently 3 across the schools, with 9 having PCR tests), and will adjust if necessary as we go through the week. We also have a lot of the usual winter bugs around as well!

In January, the children will return to school on Wednesday 5 January. We will return to bubbles in January whilst we assess the number of positive cases from the Christmas break.

Please follow the government guidelines over the Christmas period to keep as safe as possible. If you do have any symptoms, please book a test by calling 119, or going on the website <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested>

We look forward to welcoming all the children back on Wednesday 5 January (please order any lunches for the first week back by midnight on Thursday 31st December 2021!)

Keep safe and well and have a lovely Christmas
Richard

5C NEWS

5C have been working very hard this term. Recently we have been looking at units of measure in Math's, starting to put together a descriptive story sequence in English, looking at the properties of materials in science and developing our knowledge of the local area and map skills in topic. We have also started to rehearse for our Christmas play this year, which starts off in a classroom in Loddon and reaches the cold and wintry North Pole! The children are working incredibly hard on the play and it is really starting to come together!



6G's NEW CLASSROOM

Our new Classroom at the Juniors was delivered in 3 parts on Monday morning. It was very exciting as it came in via the new roundabout - they opened up part of it especially for the delivery. They are still working on all the connections and set up but we are hopeful it will be ready before too long for 6G.



CHRISTMAS LUNCHES

Christmas lunches are next week Tuesday at the Infants and Wednesday at the Juniors. If you have not ordered a Christmas Picnic Lunch please make sure you bring in a home packed lunch. Thank you.

BOOKS FOR SCHOOLS

Books For School tokens are still being published in local newspapers. Bonus tokens are also published from time to time. Please keep collecting and drop them into the office at either school.

PARENT SUPPORT ADVISOR (PSA)

Unfortunately Sarah Osman, our PSA, will be leaving us to start a new adventure in her life after Christmas. I am very grateful to Sarah for all the time and energy that she has spent supporting various families over the years, she has been a great asset to the school, and will be missed. I wish her every success in her next adventure.

I am pleased to say that we have a new PSA starting in January. Michelle Doughty will take over the position in January. She is spending this week and next week shadowing Sarah to get up-to-speed on the various families that Sarah is currently working with, and in January will be our PSA on Mondays 11am - 3pm and Wednesdays 11am - 3pm (Michelle will not be in the Infant Office when she is a PSA). Her contact email as a PSA will be psa@loddonprimaryfederation.co.uk

TEACHER IN 4K

Following Miss Kendrick's recent resignation, we have managed to keep very consistent teaching in 4K thanks to Miss Campbell, and the class are settled and focused (and enjoying practising their Christmas performance at the moment!). We have advertised for a teacher for the Spring and Summer terms. Governors and Senior Leaders have looked through the applications and interviewed applicants, and have asked Miss Campbell to continue for the Spring Term which she has accepted. She has grown very fond of the class over the past weeks, and is delighted to continue teaching them next term.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

We are having a Christmas Jumper day on the last day of term, Friday 17th December. We are not asking for donations in school for Save the Children, but if you did want to donate please click on the link. <https://christmas.savethechildren.org.uk/fundraising/cjd210031190>

3J CHRISTMAS FUN

Here are 3J with some photos from their Class Christingle:



And we have Steve and Edward - a couple of Elves - visiting classes at the moment; not always on their best behaviour!



ADVENT TRAIL

Can you spot our Christmas Puddings in the Village Advent Trail:



DECORATION DAY



CHRISTMAS PLAYS

Christmas plays are in full swing and have been recorded this week, the links will be on Class Dojo so keep your eyes peeled. Here is a sneak preview:



GINGERBREAD HOUSE

Sally - our cook - has been busy making a Gingerbread House:



CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

We finish for Christmas next Friday 17th December and children will be back in school on Wednesday 5th January 2022.

