



Fritcham Church of England Primary Academy

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It hasn't been the run up to Christmas as we know it but the children have still had plenty of festive fun. We would like to thank you all for your kind cards and gifts. We wish you all a fantastic Christmas and a Happy New Year. We look forward to welcoming you all back to school on Monday 4th January 2020.

Christmas Production

We are very pleased to be able to share the Christmas production with you Merry Christmas

Important Information Regarding Contact Tracing Over The Christmas Holiday

Should your child develop symptoms of Coronavirus within 48 hours of school closing for the Christmas Break and subsequently receive a positive test notification of this should be promptly reported by email to head@flitcham.norfolk.sch.uk. Your email should include the date the symptoms started, the last day your child attended school, the date the test was taken and the date of the positive result. Monitoring of this email address will take place until 3pm on 24th December to allow time for test results to be received. After 12noon on Friday 18th December the phone line and the office email address office@flitcham.norfolk.sch.uk will **NOT** be monitored until Monday 4th January 2021 therefore it is important you send your email to head@flitcham.norfolk.sch.uk.

You only need to make contact if symptoms develop on or before the 20th December and a positive test is then received. Symptoms after this date resulting in a positive test would not be connected to school and you would need to follow NHS test and trace guidelines. Should you need to book a test please call 119 to book or go to NHS.uk/coronavirus.

Should we receive notification of a positive test we will notify you by email using the email address we hold on file for all other communication. Any email sent will contain full instructions on what you should do.

We ask that you only make contact using head@flitcham.norfolk.sch.uk for positive COVID tests and that all other matters are communicated from 4th January 2021 or sent to office@flitcham.norfolk.sch.uk to be picked up on 4th January 2021.

Staffing

When we return in January Miss Smith will be taking up a role in the Year 4, 5, 6 class bubble with Mrs Brice. Mrs Webster will be taking up a role in the Year 1, 2, 3 class bubble with Miss Dodson.

Parent Forum

Our next parent forum will be held virtually on Tuesday 12th January at 930am the first part of this will be a PATHS introduction lead by Anna followed by the usual meeting.

PTA Raffle Winners

The winners of the PTA bubble raffle held on the Christmas themed non uniform day were:

Nursery and Reception Bubble – Hattie

Year 1, 2, 3 Bubble – Max M

Year 4, 5, 6 Bubble – Chloe

They each received a £10 book token.

Thank You

Thank you to our wonderful PTA for donating the materials for the children to make 2021 calendars and for providing all children with a chocolate treat last week on the Christmas themed non uniform day which raised a wonderful £98.



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Mobile Broadband

We have a number of Free sim cards with 30GB data for 90Days available at the school office for anyone who does not have access to the internet and would find one useful.

Christian Value

Our Christian value next half term will be Respect.

Emergency School closure – Arrangements

Obviously we are at that time of year when the weather can be very unpredictable, therefore I would like advise our new parents and remind you of the procedures if it is necessary to close the school due to bad weather. Please log on to the Norfolk County Council website below or listen to local radio stations such as Radio Norfolk.

If the weather is bad please:

- Listen to your local radio stations (BBC Radio Norfolk) where updated lists of schools closing will be read at regular intervals.
- Check Norfolk County Council's website www.schoolclosures.norfolk.gov.uk and select 'Emergency Schools Closures' from the list on the right for a regularly updated list of closed schools.
- We will endeavor to notify parents via our parent text message service (please ensure your contact telephone numbers are up to date). Norfolk County Council now offers the option for you to sign up to received alerts by text message or email whenever school is closed. To sign up for alerts or find out more, visit: www.norfolk.gov.uk/disruptions

Guidelines we follow:

- Should it be necessary to close the school during the day the school will telephone or text parents (please ensure that we have your correct contact numbers, it is your responsibility to update your numbers should they change).
- Parents are asked not to phone school if they think the school may be closing as this prevents us phoning them.
- If we are unable to contact parents we will keep the child at school until normal time.
- If there are serious weather problems- floods, storms or snow, Mrs Gardener will inform Norfolk County Council and local radio stations of the decision.

Please remember that as many of our staff live some distance from the school there may be no staff on site if the school is closed due to snow. As you will appreciate, we do need several members of staff on site before we can safely open the school.

Dates for the diary

Friday 18th December – Last Day of Term – **School Closes 12 noon**

Monday 4th January – Return to School

Tuesday 12th January – Virtual Parent Forum 930am – details to follow

Thursday 14th January – New Year Non-uniform Day – Donations for the PTA

Wednesday 20th January – National Child Measurement Programme and vision screening Reception – letter sent out earlier this week

Wednesday 20th January – National Child Measurement Programme Year 6 – letter sent out earlier this week

Friday 12th February – Last day of Term

Monday 22nd February – Return to School