



# **ETHERLEY LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER FRIDAY 11TH DECEMBER 2020**

## **FESTIVE PARTIES!!! – THURSDAY 17TH DECEMBER 2020**

This year, we will be enjoying the end of term parties in our class pods – we'll end the term with games and a dance off in each of our classes! All parties will take place on Thursday 17th December. Children are invited to come to school in their party clothes on that day but will need sensible shoes and a coat as they will still be playing outside.



## **GIFTS FOR OUR CHILDREN**

As in previous years, we would like to give all of our children a token gift from school. Please be reassured, all gifts will be wrapped and then left for 72 hours prior to being given to your child.

## **OUR SCHOOL VIDEO**

As you know, filming for our school video took place last week and we are delighted with the result! The learning, fun and smiles throughout film show what it's like to be a child at Etherley Lane. If you haven't seen the video yet, head over to our school website and have a look!

## **REPORTING A CONFIRMED CORONA VIRUS CASE – up until 24th December 2020**

During the break, if your child develops symptoms of coronavirus, you should take them to be tested. If the test is positive and your child developed their first developed symptoms on either Saturday 19th or Sunday 20th (within 48 hours of being at school) you must inform the school via the school email [etherleylane@durhamlearning.net](mailto:etherleylane@durhamlearning.net) so that we can inform children from the pod and their families to isolate.



## **COMING SOON!!! FESTIVE EXTRAVANGANZA!!! COMING SOON!!!**

We are so excited to share with you our festive extravaganza! We know how much our children love to invite you as parents and carers into school to enjoy a performance at Christmas time ... this year is different but we can't wait to share with you our extravaganza video! The video will be launched on facebook next week!

## **CHRISTMAS PRESENTS TO STAFF**

As you all know, due to the current pandemic, Christmas is being celebrated a little differently at Etherley Lane this year and many of the things that we would normally do, such as give cards to each other, cannot happen. We are mindful that some of you may be thinking of buying Christmas gifts for staff who work with your children. The thought is extremely kind and very much appreciated. However, due to the exceptional circumstances this year, staff are unable to accept Christmas gifts.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

## **CONTACTS**

Can parents/carers please contact the school office if there are any changes to contact details or circumstances so that our records up to date in case of any emergencies. Many thanks.

## **CHRISTMAS CARDS**

In the interests of keeping children as safe as possible we will not be exchanging Christmas cards in school this year.

## **WATER BOTTLES**

Can all children please bring their water bottle to school every day.

## PE IN SCHOOL

Can children please come to school wearing their PE kit on the day their class will be having a PE lesson.

Monday – Class 7 Mrs Burkill and Class 4 Miss Strophair

Tuesday – Class 2 Mrs Jones and Class 8 Miss Jones

Wednesday – Class 3 Mrs Jeavons

Thursday – Class 5 Mrs Wakes/Mrs Walker, Class 6 Mr Soulsby and Reception Class Mrs Elder

Friday – Class 9 Mrs Summerson and Class 10 Miss Wilkinson

On the day your child has PE they should come to school dressed in suitable clothing. They will still be able to wear their school sweatshirt and jumper with either plain joggers, leggings or tracksuit bottoms – no designer logos. They will also need to wear suitable footwear ie. Plimsoll shoes, trainers.



## STAR OF THE WEEK

Mrs Elder Class 1	Amelia G	Mr Soulsby Class 6	Esther S
Mrs Jones Class 2	Phoebe D	Mrs Burkill Class 7	Sky A
Mrs Jeavons Class 3		Miss Jones Class 8	Summer S
Miss Strophair Class 4	Indianna A	Mrs Summerson Class 9	Gracie A
Mrs Wakes Class 5	Layne C	Miss Wilkinson Class 10	Max H



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## Dates for the diary...

<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Whole School</b>	<b>Christmas Parties</b>
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Whole School</b>	<b>Break up for Christmas holidays</b>

**School Holidays - September 2020 to July 2021**

<b>Holiday</b>	<b>Closing Date</b>	<b>Date Re-opens</b>
Summer 2020	Friday 17 July 2020	Wednesday 2 September 2020
Autumn half-term 2020	Friday 23 October 2020	Monday 2 November 2020
Teacher Training Day	Thursday 3 December 2020	Monday 7 December 2020
Christmas 2020	Friday 18 December 2020	Monday 4 January 2021
Spring half-term 2021	Friday 12 February 2021	Monday 22 February 2021
Easter 2021	Friday 26 March 2021	Monday 12 April 2021
May Day 2021	Friday 30 April 2021	Tuesday 4 May 2021
Summer half-term 2021	Friday 28 May 2021	Tuesday 8 June 2021
Summer 2021	Friday 16 July 2021	