



BHPS Newsletter No. 6 2021~2022

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our latest newsletter.

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Positive Covid19 Cases

We are now seeing a rise in the number of children who are testing positive for Covid19. These are confirmed PCR positive cases although we do not have any information regarding whether they are linked to the new Omicron variant. We currently have four PCR positive cases in year 5 and so we are now implementing our outbreak management plan for this year group only. So for year 5, the following measures are being taken:

- Year 5 will now be treated as a 'bubble' and we will minimise their interactions with other year groups
- They will not attend assemblies
- All year 5 children will have their lunch in the year 5 classrooms with school dinners being taken down to them
- The children will have their own space on the playground at breaktimes
- Year 5 will have their own toilets and should not be mixing with year 6.
- There will be an increase in handwashing
- Parent helpers and visitors will not be allowed into year 5
- It is with great regret that we will have to cancel the year 5 Carol Service. Singing is one of the worst things that can be done if there is a Covid19 outbreak. It is possible that the number of children in year 5 could reduce over the course of the week as we are awaiting the outcome of several PCR tests. We also do not think it appropriate to make the visit to the local church with so many potential cases. We are very sorry to have to take this course of action but we are also mindful of spreading the virus, especially if this means children having to isolate over their Christmas holidays.

It is recommended that parents of children in year 5 think twice before allowing their children to mix with friends from other year groups out of school as this could negate all of our efforts in school. The current guidance is clear that siblings of children with Covid19 should still attend school. We do recommend a common sense approach so that parents monitor the health of siblings. This could help to reduce the spread of the virus to other year groups.

We will keep you informed of any further developments but it should be assumed that the year 5 bubbling arrangements will run until the end of term.

It should be noted that the number of positive cases are much lower in year 1, year 2 and F2, and so, at the time of writing, we still plan to go ahead with their nativities. Please remember that entrance for only two members of each family is permitted (no babies or pre-school children to attend). Entrance will be by ticket only.

Breakfast Club

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, there are now adverts placed in the vacancies section of the school website for workers at our new Breakfast Club provision. If you, or someone you know, are interested, please take a look at the details [here](#), and we look forward to hearing from you.

Year 1 Theatre Trip

At the time of writing, we have had 13 families who have opted not to pay the voluntary contribution for the year 1 trip to the theatre. Sadly, this will mean that the school will incur an unsustainable loss and so, as things stand, the trip will need to be cancelled. A final decision will be made at midday, Wednesday 8th December.

Dates and Planning Ahead

Dates

Dates that have not been shared before are shown in **bold**.

December

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| Tues 7th | 1.45 Yr 2 Nativity (potential for parents/carers to visit - Covid permitting) |
| Weds 8th | 1.45 Yr 1 Nativity (potential for parents/carers to visit - Covid permitting) |
| Thurs 9th | Yr 6 9:15 DARE Graduation (2 parents per child welcome) letter to follow |
| Fri 10th | Christmas Jumper Day in support of NSPCC. To donate click here . |
| Fri 10th | Foundation Christmas party (children to come to school in party clothes or Christmas jumper - your choice) |
| Mon 13th | Yr 1 & 2 individual year group Christmas Parties (Children to come in uniform with party clothes to change into) |
| Mon 13th | (Cancelled) Yr 5 Carol Service at St Michael's Church 6.30pm (Cancelled) |
| Tues 14th | 10.00 Foundation Nativity (potential for parents/carers to visit - Covid permitting) |
| Weds 15th | Yr 3 & 4 individual year group Christmas Parties (Children to come in uniform with party clothes to change into) |
| Thurs 16th | Foundation trip to Lakeside theatre 'The Gingerbread Man' in school time. |
| Thurs 16th | Rocksteady concert 10.00 (TBC re. parental attendance) |
| Thurs 16th | Yr 1 trip to Nottingham Playhouse 'Little Red Riding Hood' in school time |

Thurs 16th Yr 5 & 6 individual year group Christmas Parties (Children to come in uniform with party clothes to change into)

Fri 17th Last day of term

20th - 3rd Jan Christmas Holiday

January 2022

Tues 4th First day of Spring Term for Children

February

Mon 7th - Weds 9th Yr 5 Residential to Caythorpe

14th - 18th Half Term Holiday

Mon 21st INSET Day

Mon 28th 5F Recycling Workshop

Mon 28th - 1st Mar Yr 3 residential to Castleton

March

Weds 23rd to Thurs 24th Yr 4 Residential to York

April

4th - 18th Easter Holiday

Weds 20th Yr 4 Anglo-Saxon trip to Perlethorpe

May

2nd Bank Holiday

June

30th - 3rd June Half Term Holiday

July

Fri 1st INSET Day

Weds 27th Last day of term for children

Thank you

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