



BISHOP LOVEDAY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER 12

Joining Together – Learning For Life

Friday 4th December 2020

For up-to-date advice on Coronavirus, please visit: <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

If you or your child develops any symptoms, you must get tested.

Please call 119 or visit the website

Dear Parents/Carers

We are really enjoying the Christmas feel in school. Our Christmas trees are up, with the lights twinkling. The children have done so well, coping with all the new changes within the school day over the last couple of months. It has been a long term, we are very proud of them for adapting so well. We are looking forward to more Christmas cheer during the last two weeks of school.

Last Friday, each year group attended an assembly in the hall. We looked at our Bishop Loveday Pledge and what our school motto 'Joining Together, Learning for Life' means to the children. A copy of the presentation will be emailed out to parents.

We were delighted to show lots of new parents around the school at our Open Day on Saturday. If you missed the opportunity to have a look around the school, there is also a virtual tour on our website. Please remember that all Starting School applications must be made online before the **15th January 2021**. <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/apply-school-place/infant-and-primary-school> Late applications will be dealt with later on in the year, and you will be less likely to get your preferred choice of school. Our new Admissions Policy for 2021 – 2022 has now been published on our website, please take a look at [Policies - Bishop Loveday CofE Primary \(bishop-loveday.oxon.sch.uk\)](https://www.bishop-loveday.oxon.sch.uk/policies)

All things festive will be taking place during the last two weeks of school. Please see the timetable below to make sure you don't miss out. Thank you to our FoBLS team for keeping all their traditional events going:

Tuesday 8th:	Flu vaccinations – Whole school (If you have not applied for your child to be vaccinated in school. You will need to contact the school nursing team, 01865 904234, in January for a catch up clinic).
	Cauliflower Cards delivery. We will get the items distributed to classes as quickly as possible.
Wednesday 9th:	Crazy Christmas Jumper Day (£1 donation) Photos will also be available for purchase.
	Christmas dinner (pre-booked only)
Friday 11th:	Secret Santa – Non school uniform in exchange for a gift for the Grotto
Sunday 13th:	National Christingle Service Please email Reverend Sarah directly s550sharp@outlook.com
Monday 14th:	Secret Santa – visit to the Grotto (the Elves are on their way!) £2, please make payment on Parent Pay.
Wednesday 16th:	FoBLS Christmas Winter Raffle Draw
Thursday 17th:	Reverend Sarah will lead year group 'Bubble' Christmas assemblies for the children.
Friday 18th December:	Last day of Term 2. Homework Club and WAC will continue as normal.

Road works on White Post Road

Please be careful outside the school on White Post Road. There are continuing road works taking place. The temporary traffic lights do not appear to be syncing with the crossing lights. We have reported this. These road works will be in place for a few more weeks. We are urging parents to be mindful of this.



Christmas cards in school

Children are welcome to exchange Christmas cards within their 'bubble' (own year group). Parents can also give cards to teachers if they wish. Christmas cards **MUST** be brought in to school before **Friday 11th December**. The cards will be quarantined over that weekend and will be distributed the following week. Unfortunately, you will be unable to hand in Christmas cards across year groups this year.

Sports News

To add to our Christmas celebrations this year and because we have been unable to do our normal whole school Cross Country event, we have organised for the children to take part in the Katharine House Hospice Santa Relay! This is such a worthwhile charity, and so close to many of us. All children will take part during the week commencing 7th December. Please ensure your child has appropriate outdoor PE kit. All the children will receive a 'Santa' hat from KHH and in return we are asking for donations. Please pop any spare change in an envelope marked 'KHH Santa Relay' and give this to your child's class teacher. Thank you for your continued support.

NOSSP have a Happy & Healthy advent calendar on their Facebook and website pages. Each day a new activity 'window' will appear. The activities will mostly be suitable for completing at home - see below a link to the website:

<https://www.northoxfordshiressp.co.uk/content/pe-school-sport-at-home/22362/advent-calendar-2020>

There are a few attachments to this newsletter to have a look at:

- KHH Santa Relay information
- Mental Health Support Team newsletter
- BLS Pledge assembly presentation
- Design a Christmas Tree decoration project

House Points tally

W/E: 04.12.2020	Sun	Ice	Fire	Forests	Oceans	Waterfalls
Total:	55	50	49	39	50	33

Congratulations



Superheroes:

Ben A, Oscar B, Milo H, Jack S, Alfie J, Emily G, Max H, Ben K, Purdy G, Eden M, Daniel E, Saskia W, Zoey H, Loki F, Riley M, Jacob H, Owen M and Jesse B.

Enjoy the weekend.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Jane Ridley
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