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Dear Parents,



Brr!

Some chilly weather at the start of December and with it a reminder that the classrooms remain cold, despite our best efforts. Effective ventilation is a very good way of reducing the risk to everyone but open windows do mean that children may feel cold during the day. We encourage everyone to bring a coat in everyday.



P.E. kits

Staff at both schools have drawn my attention to the fact that P.E. kits are coming in in all shapes and forms! Our agreed school P.E. kit is as follows-

White T shirt

Navy or Black shorts

Trainers- must be fit for purpose i.e. sports not fashion

Hair tie for those with long hair

Navy or black sweatshirt & tracksuit bottoms for Autumn & Winter.

Please contact us if there are any issues around this.



Christmas

We're whispering it quietly but Christmas is around the corner! It will be a very different time for us all. Class teachers are doing their best to keep the magic alive and will be preparing short productions, songs and zoom events. Your classteacher will keep you informed. **Christmas Jumper Day** - the annual fundraising event for Save the Children- will take place on **Friday 11th**

December. The children will also get the chance to watch an online pantomime on Wednesday 16th December. Christmas dinner will also be on that day.



Children in Need 2020

Across both schools, we raised £170! Thank you so much for your support.



Sending Christmas Greetings

Christmas cards

To ensure that our Christmas cards are fully 'quarantined', we have post boxes up in both schools. Children are invited to post their cards up until Monday 14th December so that they can be handed out en-masse on Friday 18th December. Remember to write the full name and class on the envelope.



National Anti Bullying week

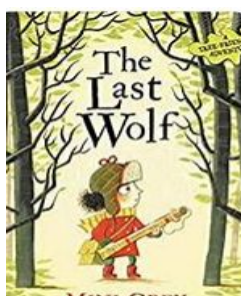
We were very pleased with the mature and sensible work of all the children around the schools' anti-bullying week. As well as classroom led discussion and tasks, Ms Jones led an assembly for the EYFS and KS1 children, whilst Mrs Carlyle led an assembly for KS2. We were very pleased with the children's response.



Enrichment surprise

Our Enrichment surprise program has continued, with teachers from both schools taking it in turns to lead a session based around a book, over Zoom. Last month we had: from All Saints; Mrs Howarth, Mr Arter and Mr Good from North Elmham. The children really enjoy the stories and activities - as well as enjoying the chance to see other classes across the schools.

This story is a retell of Little Red Riding Hood but set 100 years in the future. Mrs Delaney chose this book. It explores life where forests have been chopped down to make way for homes and introduces us to three almost extinct species. The children reflected on what life would be like without any wild animals and explored ideas on how to protect our wildlife and environment. The task was to draw trees to represent the new trees that Red planted in the book. Afterwards, a poem called Extinct by Mandy Coe was read to finish the session and further ignite children's interest in this area.





Stibbard buses

The office has asked me to remind Stibbard bus children that parents must inform the office if their child is changing their usual routine, rather than relying on their children to do so. We would hate to leave anyone behind!



Late arrivals/ pickups

A reminder to all parents that children are expected to be dropped off and collected at normal times. Everyone has the odd occasion where they may be late to collect or drop off their child due to unforeseen circumstances but it is not acceptable for this to be a daily occurrence. Please let us know if there are difficulties which we might be able to help with.



Lunches

Please remember to use Pupil Asset to book lunches for your children. This saves time and stress in the morning.

Website <https://www.flourishfed.com/>

We are increasingly using our website to inform parents about what's going on in school. Please subscribe on the school website home page and you will be automatically updated when new items are added.

Wishing you a happy lead up to Christmas.
Best wishes



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