



Wootton Bassett Infants' School

Newsletter - Issue 4

Our School Value for this term is:

We listen to each other



Headteacher

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Dates for your Diary

- 02/12 PTA Non-Uniform (chocolate donation)
- 03/12 School finishes 2pm, High Street Christmas Lights Event.
- 07/12 Reception Christmas Play (JBRC)
- 08/12 Reception Christmas Play (HM)
- 09/12 Reception Health Checks
- 10/12 Theatre in School 'The Snow Queen'
- 14/12 Year 2 - Singing at the Croft
- 14/12 Christmas Carol Concert
- 15/12 Christmas Dinner
- 16/12 Y2 Trip - The Watermill Theatre
- 17/12 Term 2 ends, 1pm finish
- 04/01 Term 3 starts
- 05/01 Flu Vaccinations
- 24/01 Reception to Oriental Aroma
- 17/02 Term 3 ends, 3pm finish
- 18/02 TD Day
- 28/02 Term 4 starts
- 18/03 Red Nose Day
- 08/04 Term 4 ends, 1 pm finish

Christmas is coming!

This term is a busy one and we are all really excited about our Christmas plans.

Christmas Jumpers - We are happy for children to wear their Christmas Jumpers with their uniform from **Mon 6th Dec**



Christmas Post Box - If your child would like to send a Christmas card to another child, they can use our post box. Please address all cards with the child full name and class. The Post box will be in the school office entrance from **Thurs 2nd Dec**. The cards will be left for 48hours before being distributed.

Reception Nativity - Tickets have been sent out in book bags, please speak to the school office if you have not received yours.

Mrs Bowditch & Miss Crimp class - **Tues 7th Dec**

Miss Macaulay class - **Wed 8th Dec**

The middle gate will open at 9:30am, with the performance starting at 9:45am.

We ask that all adults wear a mask, where possible and please do not attend if you have any COVID symptoms or are feeling unwell.

We finish on Friday 17th December at 1pm

We would like to take the opportunity to thank you for all your support this year and wish you a very Happy and Healthy Christmas.

High Street Christmas Lights Event - Friday 3rd December

The PTA are running a stall on Fri 3rd Dec at the Christmas Event. We will be having a **non-uniform** day on **Thurs 2nd Dec** in exchange for a donation of chocolate for the stall.

The Council will be closing the High Street at 3pm. Therefore, we have taken the decision to close the school at 2pm to allow both pupils and staff to get home easily.



Christmas Carol Concert - Tuesday 14th December

The children have been practising their Christmas songs and are looking forward to singing them for you.



The middle gate will be opened at **5:30pm**, please take your child directly to their classroom. The PTA will be selling hot chocolate, mulled wine and mince pies before the Concert, which will start at **6pm**. We expect it to last around 30-40 minutes.

We are limiting attendance to 2 adults per child plus siblings. Please **DO NOT** attend if you have any COVID symptoms or are feeling unwell. Masks are advisable and please socially distance where possible.

Please make sure you and your child are dressed warmly as the whole concert will take place outside. The Children do not need to wear uniform but we welcome Christmas Jumpers, hats or accessories.

Please note the only seating available will be for those with limited mobility. Any questions please speak to the school office.



Absence Reporting

If your child is unable to attend school, please contact the school office on 01793 852254 by 9:30am.

We have a responsibility to report attendance on all child and are obviously concerned if we have not heard from you.

We will contact all the named people on the pupils records until we are able to confirm their whereabouts.

Thank you

Christmas Holidays



We break up for the Christmas holidays on **Friday 17th December at 1pm** and return on **Tuesday 4th January 2022**.

This may be different from other local schools including Noremarsh and Royal Wootton Bassett Academy, so please check carefully if you have children in several schools.

Safeguarding

We take the welfare and safeguarding of all the children in our care very seriously.

If you have any concerns around the safeguarding of a pupil, you can speak to one of the following people

Mrs Alison Pass
Designated Safeguarding Lead

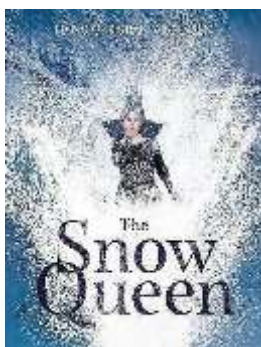
Mr Tom Hill
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Miss Steph Noyes
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

The Snow Queen - Fri 10th Dec

We are really excited and looking forward to Quantum Theatre coming into school to perform 'The Snow Queen'.

We'd like to thank the PTA who are funding this performance.



Christmas Card Project



Thank you for all your Christmas card orders, we hope you are pleased with them. The project raised **£126** for the school.

Children in Need

Thank you all for your generous donations for Children in Need. We raised nearly **£200**.



Helping in School

We are still looking for helpers to read with the children in school. Parents, Grandparents or other relatives are all welcome.

We would need to complete a DBS before you could help but this is a relatively straight forward process.

If you can commit to an hour a week please speak to your class teacher. Volunteers in school will be asked to wear a mask.

Reception Trip to Oriental Aroma

Our Reception children have been invited to the Oriental Aroma on Monday 24th January 2022 to celebrate the Luna New Year.



The cost is £6 per person and all the money is donated to Prospect Hospice.

More details will be sent out in the new year.

Reception Health Checks - Thursday 9th December



Virgincare will be coming into school on Thursday 9th to carry out vision, hearing and height screening. Forms were sent out last week in book bags, please ensure you send it back as soon as possible. If you DO NOT want your child to take part you must opt out by ringing their Single Point of Access on 0300 247 0090..

Flu Vaccination Postponement - New Date Wednesday 5th January 2022

The School Immunisation Team normally aim to complete the flu vaccines in schools by the end of December. However, this year there has been significant additional work to deliver the Covid 12 - 15 vaccines and the all year group flu vaccines programme. In view of this the flu delivery schedule has been extended to February, although we will aim to complete all sessions by the end January where at all possible.

Whilst flu often starts to circulate from late December, the peak can occur at any time and can often occur in February or later. The advice from Joint Committee for vaccinations & immunisations (JCVI) is immunising children in January will still provide protection in these circumstances and is therefore beneficial.

The consent link can be access here and will close on the 13th December.

Any queries should be directed to Virgin Care on **0300 247 0082** and not the school.

Thank you

Virgin Care School Age Immunisations Team

Open the Book



The volunteers from Open the Book have been performing some lovely stories for the children.

Due to the current restrictions, they have embraced technology and have been streaming them online.

They have a lovely Christmas story planned for later in the term.

We'd like to thank them for continuing to support our school.

Singing at the Church Croft

Some of our Year 2 children have been invited to sing for the Mother's Union at the Church Croft.

They will be going with Mrs Hughes and Mrs Davies on Tuesday 14th December and we look forward to hearing all about it when they return.





COVID Symptoms Reminder

Please do not send your child to school if they:

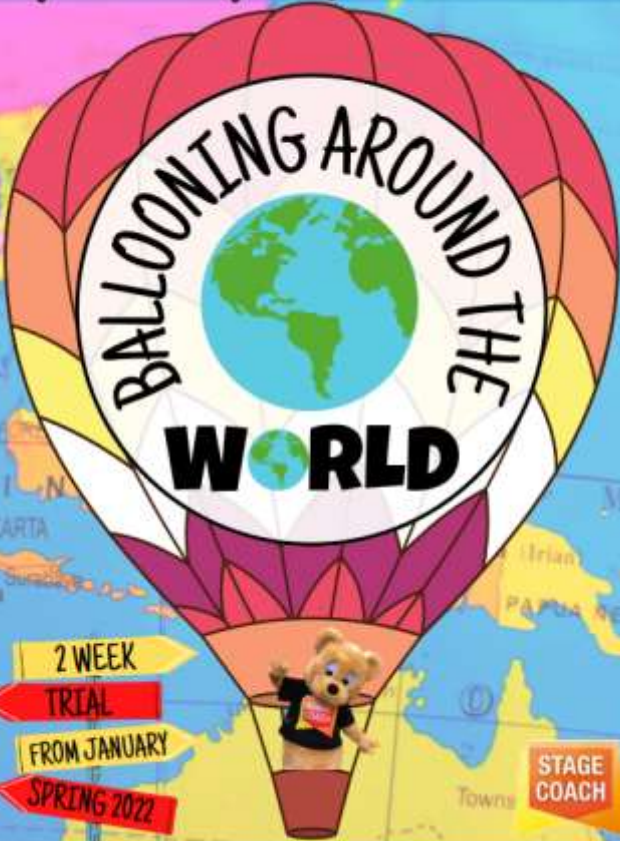
- Have a high temperature of 38.5° or above
- A new persistent cough
- Any loss or change in taste or smell.



If a child develops any of these symptoms in school, they will be isolated and you will be asked to collect them immediately.

Community News & Events

Stagecoach Performing Arts Royal Wootton Bassett Presents:



BALLOONING AROUND THE WORLD

2 WEEK TRIAL FROM JANUARY SPRING 2022

STAGE COACH

Contact us on 01367 240663 or Royalwoottonbassett@stagecoach.co.uk

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SCIENCE BAZAAR SATURDAYS

Saturday 4 December 2021
11 am – 12 pm


Science Bazaar Saturdays presents Rocket Cars!
Join us for an interactive session to make your very own balloon powered rocket car and to explore the science that makes your rocket fly!
This virtual event is FREE and open to all.
Fun for all the family and most suitable for 5 – 12 years.



Register at:
<https://brookes.zoom.us/j/9202042037>
or t.me/ScienceBazaar



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 EDAS

A Survival Guide for Parents



Stand Alone Sessions (mostly)
that run from 6:30 – 8:30 on Wednesday evenings.
£10 per person per two-hour session.
Online via ZOOM or in person
from the *Serenitea* café
50 Ashley Road, Poole, Dorset BH14 9BN

Topic	Date	
How to Speak so they Listen and Listen, so they Speak	08 th Sep 2021	08 th Dec 2021
How to Communicate with Teenagers	15 th Sep 2021	15 th Dec 2021
Raising Self Esteem	22 nd Sep 2021	12 th Jan 2022
Family meetings	29 th Sep 2021	19 th Jan 2022
Understanding Anxiety & Depression part One	06 th Oct 2021	26 th Jan 2022
Support with Anxiety & Depression part Two	13 th Oct 2021	02 nd Feb 2022
How to Speak so they Listen and Listen, so they Speak	20 th Oct 2021	09 th Feb 2022
Understanding Anger Part One	FREE 27 th Oct 21	16 th Feb 2022
Understanding Anger Part Two	03 rd Nov 2021	23 rd Feb 2022
Introduction to Autism Part One	10 th Nov 2021	02 nd Mar 2022
Introduction to Autism Part Two	17 th Nov 2021	09 th Mar 2022
Introduction to ADHD	24 th Nov 2021	16 th Mar 2022
Addictive behaviour Awareness	01 st Dec 2021	23 rd Mar 2022

To book a place please contact:
rachel.murphy@edasuk.org



CHRISTMASY CREATIONS!

Colouring | Drawing | Baking | Painting and much more!

Send in your Christmas themed creations by 5pm on the 30th of December to be in for a chance to win a prize!

Email your creations to outreachprojectme@barnardos.org.uk

Don't forget to include your name, address and contact details!



