Acle St Edmund C of E Primary School

Newsletter



6 November 2020

Headteacher: Mrs Rebecca Clarke

Message from Mrs Clarke

We hope you all had a lovely half term break, and enjoyed time with your families. It has been reassuring for all to see parents, carers supporting the school and wearing masks on the school site and we would like to thank you all for keeping our community safe.

We know that this is going to be a difficult half term but we know that by all pulling together and 'thinking outside the box' we can make this as enjoyable time as possible for the children, please see 'A different Christmas is coming' below.

Warmest regards

Mrs Clarke

Parents' evenings

Our Autumn term Parents' Evenings will take place in November. Due to Covid guidelines, these are unable to take place in person and so meetings will be via telephone, Zoom, or Microsoft Teams instead.

The 10 minute appointments will be bookable through Pupil Asset (either using the App or through the web page www.pupilasset.com), for each child's class teacher. The appointment booking system will be available early next week. We will send a text, early next week, to let you know when appointments are available to book.

After you have booked your appointment, and before your meeting date, we will send an email with the link to join the Zoom or Microsoft Teams audio call, or advise that your appointment will be via telephone.

If your appointment is via Zoom or Teams, please can you be ready and sign in via the link, 5 mins before your allotted time, the teacher will 'join' you at your appointment time, or as soon as the previous call is finished.

If you are unable to make the offered dates, please contact your child's class teacher, via the class email, to arrange another time.

Class photographs

We are very sorry but due to the current restrictions, we have had to cancel the school photographs on the 17th. We will advise a new date once the restrictions ease

Rainbow

certificates

RS Spencer & Blake
1L Elsie & Henry
2T Callan, Amelia &
Joseph
3M Flora & Fllee

3M Flora & Ellee4B Ollie & Evalyn

5HT Skyler & Lily-Rose

6LO Lily & Sam

Pupils in Reception class

Please can we remind parents that if you only have a child in Reception, please do not arrive until 9am. If you have a child in Reception, and also another year group please arrive at 8.55am, and not earlier.

Otherwise this obstructs Year 2's safe access to the front of the school at their drop off time.



A 'different kind of' Christmas is coming!

As you know we absolutely love Christmas at Acle Primary School! This year, whilst we may not be able to do everything in the same way, we have put our thinking hats on and will still be making it very special. This is what we have planned so far:

Breakfast Club will still be able hold their traditional 'Christmas Cooked Breakfast' on Thursday 17 December. Breakfast Club is pretty much fully booked on Thursday's, but if there are any spaces remaining, we will let you know the week before. The cost is £4 for 7.45-8.45am and includes a wonderful cooked breakfast.



'A Bundle of Joy' Our Reception and KS1 Nativity, will be in a different format this year, and unfortunately we will be unable to invite parents to see the performance live. We will, however, be making sure that the children can still take part in this, in a safe, socially distanced way in their bubbles and following Covid guidelines. The children will be filmed, in scenes, just like a real movie! Parents will be able to purchase the resulting DVD for delivery prior to Christmas. This also makes a lovely present for grandparents, and we do deals for multiple copies! Further information will follow later in the term.

School Christmas Lunch, will take place on Friday 11 December, the lunch will be free for Reception, all of KS1 and those children in KS2 on Free School Meals. The cost for the remaining KS2 children will be £2.30 (please pay online as normal – ref XMAS LUNCH). There will be a choice of a Christmas hot lunch/veggie option, festive party bag, or a packed lunch from home. We will send out a questionnaire for completion, with the detailed menu, early next week. Please complete a questionnaire for each of your children by Thursday next week (12 November), even if they are bringing in a home pack. We will not be able to change the options after Friday morning, as the kitchen order has to be placed then. FOSA have again kindly donated Christmas Crackers for the children. We will be playing lots of lovely Christmas music, whether the children are eating in the hall, or their classrooms!



We will be taking part in a 'Christmas Jumper Day' in aid of Save the Children on also Friday 11 December. Children can come to school in non-uniform, with a Christmas theme in return for a £1 donation to this worthy cause.

Father Christmas will hopefully visit school during the night of 17 November (keeping our school 'Covid secure'!), to deliver each class a 'class gift' courtesy of FOSA. Reception children will also still be able to visit our specially decorated 'grotto' and see Mother Christmas (who will show them a special video message from Father Christmas, as he is not in their bubble!), and our two reindeer, Dasher and Dancer.



One of our previous governor's, Dr Edrich has also kindly, once again, donated the money for us to purchase a real Christmas tree for the hall. We have also had a donation of an artificial tree from a previous parent, so we will have trees in every classroom!

Edith Cavell - Year 2

We've been learning about Edith Cavell's courageous story this week. These are some of the facts we have learnt:

"She's a local hero because she's from Swardeston in Norfolk." Martha

"When she was young, she loved to pick wildflowers and be outside." William

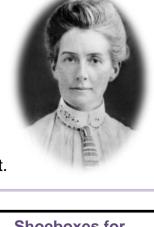
"She was a nurse." Elsie

"She helped soldiers on both sides of the war." Callan

"She was killed by a German firing squad." Zak

"She is buried at Norwich Cathedral." Mimi

Year 2 are very proud to have Edith Cavell as a local hero from the past.



Be Internet .egends. Hello. Your child might have spent a bit more time on the internet lately. That's why Coogle and Parent Zone's Be Internet Legends programme has been busy helping families by giving them tools to be safer and more confident online – and now we're inviting all of you on a new adventure! The Legends Family Adventure is a short three-part animated series that follows a family of Internauts on an adventure through Interland. You'll meet Lumen, a shy Internaut in Interburb. When Lumen's bear goes missing one day, the whole family must venture into interland to get it back. Along the way, they learn ways to help spot scams, deal with cyberbullies and keep information secure in the digital world, with a big dose As legends-in-the-making, we're inviting you and your child to watch The Legends Family Adventure together as a family:

1 The Legends Family Adventure

- | Thursday 12th November
- | parents.parentzone.org.uk/a

We'll also tell you about The Legends Family Challenge, where you can test your online safety knowledge, prove how legendary you are and maybe even win prizes for your child's school – including a LIVE online assembly with a school in

If you want to brush up on Be Internet Legends before then, visit g.co/beinternetlegends/parents

We hope to see you there!

The Be Internet Legends Team Google Oparentzone

Shoeboxes for **Shoebox Appeal**

The shoeboxes can be returned next week. Please bring, or ask your child to bring them to the door of the music mobile next week, in the mornings. A member of FOSA member will take the boxes inside for them.

Many thanks

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