



Weekly Newsletter - Monday 30th November 2020

We've started putting up our Christmas decorations and our trees have arrived! We'd like to thank Ivy Tower Christmas Trees in Tonna for their very kind donation of a beautiful Christmas tree to the school. Our school council will be writing a letter of thanks for their generous gift.

In 2022, the Welsh Government are going to be changing the way that children learn in schools. Our INSET days in December and January will be used by the school to look at the reasons why children should learn, how they should learn and what they should be learning in school. We'll be putting together our own school curriculum, following the guidance set out by the Government, to meet the needs of our children.

The school will be writing a curriculum which helps the children to achieve four main aims. These are called the 'Four Purposes' and are:

1. To help children to become ambitious and capable learners. The children should believe in themselves and what they can do. They should want to learn and do better and have the skills to learn.
2. To help children to become enterprising and creative. This means that they can be creative and think of new ideas. They can solve problems and use this in their work.
3. To help children to become ethical and informed citizens. This means that they understand their rights and responsibilities. They take part in their community and care about the world.
4. To help children to become healthy and confident. This means that they have healthy minds and bodies. They feel good about themselves and what they believe in.

Over the next few weeks, I'll be sharing more information with you about what you can expect your child to be learning about from 2022 as we put together a curriculum that is motivating, engaging and helps pupils to want to learn. It will inspire the children, but take place in a nurturing environment which brings the best out of our pupils.

If your child is sending Christmas cards to friends in their class this year we have to take extra care and isolate the cards for 72 hours in school before sorting them. We then have to leave a further 72 hours before giving them out. The cards need to be brought in to school by the 7th of December for them to be given out to the children. If they are not in by this date, I'm sorry but we will not be able to give them out.

T. Richards
Headteacher



HIGH
TEMPERATURE



NEW
PERSISTENT
COUGH



LOSS OF
SMELL



LOSS OF
TASTE

- Staff member or pupil got symptoms of COVID-19? Don't attend the school. Stay home and self-isolate, arrange a COVID-19 test and notify the school.
- Family/household member got symptoms of COVID-19? Don't attend the school. Stay home and self isolate.
- If your child's test comes back positive, please let us know by scanning the QR code or visiting www.npted.org/melinprimary 'returning to school' page

