



Milford Haven Community Primary School

Newsletter December 2020



Welcome Everybody to our December Newsletter. Well, what a term this has been.

One that we could never have imagined! I would like to start this month's newsletter by thanking you all; our parents, carers, grandparents and community friends for their support over the term. Together we have done our very best to continue with the children's education, whilst keeping us all as safe as possible. Thank you one and all. We are now going to do our very best this month to bring as much Christmas cheer to MHPCS.

Online Advent Calendar

Each day in December, a short 'Opening Advent Door' video or picture of a different class each day will be uploaded to our Facebook page. There will be an Elf friend in each class...see if you can spot him or her!



Look out for my learning this term

As part of their self assessment of their learning this term your child will be choosing a piece of work to share with you via Google Classroom. They will upload their chosen work onto the Classroom and will explain to you how they think they have improved with their learning. Enjoy!



Christmas Celebration and Music Ensemble Video

We would normally all be looking forward to our Christmas concerts and carols with the community at the moment. However, as you can appreciate gathering for these events will not be possible. So we have thought about how you can join us to see the children celebrating the meaning of Christmas. All classes are working towards producing a whole-school Christmas celebration video.

Elf Day on Friday 4 December

On Friday 4th December we will be joining in with Elf Day organised by The Alzheimer's Society. Year 5 and 6 have been working closely with the charity and we feel it is something that we should be recognising. We are encouraging everyone to come into school dressed as an elf. This could just be as simple as red cheeks and a Christmas hat - please don't feel you need to buy a full elf costume. We are aware that it is a tough time of year for fundraising so



we are only asking you to give a donation to this charity if you feel able to.

Christmas Lunch is on Thursday 10th December

Christmas lunch this year will be slightly different to our usual Christmas dinner as we need to keep in our class bubbles. However, we are still planning to have an exciting time eating dinner from special Christmas lunch boxes or their own lunch boxes. Crackers will be provided by school and Christmas music will be heard all around the school. The afternoon will follow with fun and games in the classroom with lots of dancing during the party afternoon. The children can also wear party clothes to school on this day.



Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 11 December 2020

Save the children Christmas jumper day is back on **Friday 11th December 2020**. Wear your festive Christmas jumper to school on this day. A collection will be made for the charity 'Save the Children', as we usually do. Please only donate if you feel able to.



Many thanks for your continued support to the many worthwhile charities that we support.

Week beginning 7th Dec the Torch Theatre will be sending a message to all the children online from Santa and the Panto Dame.

Thursday 17th December – Virtual Pantomime

Because we are not able to make our usual visit to the Torch Theatre for the pantomime this year we have arranged to have an online pantomime. The children will watch a 'Jack and the Beanstalk' pantomime in their classrooms.

We are hoping that a Special Visitor may visit MHCPs on Thursday 17th December



We are hoping that Santa will talk to the children in Flying Start and morning and afternoon Nursery pupils via Teams on Thursday 17 December. We are also hoping he will pop into our virtual Praise Assembly on **Friday 18th December**. I'm sure he will be able to reassure the children that he and his reindeers will be visiting all good boys and girls on Christmas eve.

Friday afternoons

During the Spring Term 2021 we are still able to support parents, with **no other option**, with the out-of-hours' provision on a Friday afternoon until 3.00pm.

There is a link to the Booking form for Friday provision for the second half term on our school website: <https://milford-haven-community-primary->

[school.j2bloggy.com/](https://milford-haven-community-primary-school.j2bloggy.com/) under the News tab: <https://milford-haven-community-primary-school.j2bloggy.com/blog/category/news/> This form is open for a limited time from 1.30 pm 4 December until 1.30 pm 15 December.

Thank you to you all for only using this provision if you have no other option. As parents have supported us with this we have been able to provide the support to all of those parents who have needed it and we have not had to limit places or turn parents away. Please continue to support us in this way .

School meals are still available to all pupils on a Friday and will be supplied in a grab & go bag so that pupils can take their meal home. The meals can be purchased in the normal way and the price of a meal is £2.55 for infants and £2.65 for Juniors.

School Meal accounts can be credited in the following ways:

Via the PCC website www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk. You will need to register on the 'My Account' facility and create a password. Select 'My Services', cashless catering balance. Enter your child's date of birth and Account reference number, click **check balance**. You are then able to check the balance on the account and top up if necessary by following the instructions on screen.

- By using the Pembrokeshire Automatic Telephone Payment Service on 01437-775164

By telephoning the County Council's Contact Centre on 01437-764551(9am-5pm Mon-Fri)

If you need to be reminded of your child's Account number, please contact the Catering Section via cashless.catering@pembrokeshire.gov.uk or telephone 01437 775943.

Easy Fundraising



You can now support Milford Haven Community Primary School on #easyfundraising! When you sign up as a supporter, 4,400 shops and sites will donate for free, every time you shop online. This includes all the big names like eBay, John Lewis & Partners, Argos, ASOS, Expedia, M&S, Just Eat and many more!
<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/milfordhavencommunityprimaryschool>

Important Reminder

Please can you ensure that you let school know if you have any new phone numbers or your address changes . Please can you let us know as soon as these changes are made. In the event of school needing to get hold of you it is vital that all your contact details are up to date and correct. Many thanks.

**On behalf of all the staff at
MHCPs we would like to wish you
all a very Merry Christmas and a
Happy and Healthy New Year**

Holiday and return to school dates

End of Winter Term (as per current PCC calendar) Friday 18th December 2020

MHCPs Inset Day

Monday 4th January 2021

MHCPs Return to School

Tuesday 5th January 2021

