

COVID-19 UPDATE:

Year 4 children will be returning to school on Wednesday 9th December following their self-isolation. Mrs Cole has returned to work today following her period of shielding during the National Lockdown. Mrs Say will complete this week by continuing to teach her class from home, as she has throughout the Lockdown period, and will return to school on Monday.

When the school is notified by parents that their child may have Covid-19 symptoms and has been taken for a test, we will inform parents in that year group to make provisional child care arrangements in case the test result is positive.

When we are told the test outcome we will notify parents. We are reliant on the parents of the child who has taken the test informing us promptly. Please note that when a Home Test Kit has been used, there is a time delay of up to 5 days before the results come back. This has been the case this week as the results of tests taken at the start of the week have still not been returned.

ELF DAY – THURSDAY 10TH DECEMBER – IN SUPPORT OF #TEAMTOM

Our annual Elf Day will be taking place on Thursday 10th December, when we encourage every child to come to school dressed as an Elf. This year we are supporting the #TeamTom appeal as mentioned in last week's newsletter.

We are requesting a minimum donation of £1 from children who are wearing an Elf costume on the day. Larger donations will of course be welcome, and all money raised will be forwarded to the appeal currently underway to raise £30,000 to allow our former pupil Thomas Hogan to have the operation that he needs.

LAST DAY OF TERM:

The school will close for the Christmas Holiday on Friday 18th December. To avoid congestion and confusion, the bubble closing times will be the same as for the rest of term. **There will not be the usual 2 p.m. closure.**

A MESSAGE TO CAR DRIVERS:

Once again, thank you to the vast majority of you who park sensibly and considerately at the start and end of the school day.

However, we have had several reports in the past couple of weeks of inconsiderate, and at times downright dangerous, parking and driving outside the school.

The safety of **YOUR** child comes before everything else, including the convenience of parents who feel it okay to put others in danger with their driving in order to park as close to the school as possible.

We have high definition C.C.T.V. that gives a very clear view of the area outside the school. This allows the identification of vehicles stopping on the zig-zag lines or committing other road traffic offences. This footage will be made available to the police, when complaints are received by them about the actions of drivers immediately outside the school building.

So that everyone is clear, it is an offence to stop for any length of time on the zig-zag lines. Stopping for even 5 seconds to let a child out is still a road traffic offence, and more importantly puts the lives of children and parents who are on foot at risk.

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The Attendance Rate since the Start of the School Year >>>>>>	95.9%
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