

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parent/Carer,

As the end of term approaches, schools have been asked to remain part of the COVID-19 Test and Trace service during the holiday up to and including Christmas Eve, to support limiting the transmission of the virus. In order to support us with this, I would be most grateful if you could read and digest the information below. Please use it as a reference as needed over the upcoming holiday. A copy will also be posted to our website.

Please report to us as soon as possible using the email address head@churchfields.wilts.sch.uk if:

Your child is a pupil of Churchfields and...

1) Is confirmed positive for COVID-19 and began showing symptoms within 48 hours of being in school.

OR

2) Is confirmed positive for COVID-19 within 48 hours of being in school but did not show any symptoms.

If neither of the above apply, you do not need to inform the school of any positive result until the start of term three. From Christmas Day onwards, any COVID-19 confirmed cases should be dealt with through the NHS Test and Trace service as normal.

Please refer to the accompanying information poster "[Has your child tested positive for COVID-19?](#)" and include all the information required in your email to us.

Telephone lines to the school will not be monitored during this period so please only use the above email address if the two criteria apply.

The school will then contact all relevant members of the school community to inform them of how to proceed after gaining advice from Public Health England. We will use the Parent Mail system for this so please continue to check for any communications from us up to and including Christmas Eve. If your contact details have changed, please let the [school office](#) know as soon as possible and before the end of term.

An option put to schools by the Department for Education this Tuesday was to close to pupils a day early at the end of this term. I have decided not to do this as I can appreciate the difficulty this will present to many parents/carers at such short notice. Term will end as planned on Friday 18th December.

Kind regards,

Simon Fletcher.

School Activities at a glance	
Monday 14 December - Friday 18 December	
Friday 18 December	Last Day of Term

School News Round- up

Mathletics

Two more sparkling golds to top a wonderful haul of mathletics certificates - great work everyone!

Gold : Eleanor, Jessie

Silver : Leighton, Quita, Eleanor, Brandon, Jessie, Isabella

Bronze : Oscar, Holly, Olivia, Florence, Felicity, Ethan, Josiah, Lila, Alexis, Maddox, Oliver H, Lauren, Tomas, Leighton, Ted L, Violet, Quita, Molly, Eleanor, Emily M, Emmeline, Brandon, Jessie, Joseph, George R, Charlie, Isabella, Henry V

Film Night

EYFS and KS1 had so much fun last night at the Film Night! A big thank you to everyone that came.

It looks like Buddy the Elf and Maximus Mischievous and friends also had a good time!



Science Winners!

Way back in March during British Science Week at school we asked the children to participate in a competition run by Bayer Baylab. The children designed and decorated Science Lab coats and we submitted their work for judging. Delays due to COVID-19 and the lockdowns meant we had almost forgotten about our entries. However, a couple of weeks ago Mrs Liddiard received an email informing us that someone from Churchfields had made the final rounds of judging! She kept it a secret until Thursday when we were thrilled to receive **two** parcels from Baylab.

Out of 35,000 entries, from over 250 schools, **Freddie's** design was selected in the KS1 category as a runner up. Here is a photo of a truly chuffed Freddie with his certificate and prizes - a 'Curiosity Box' of science experiments and a Bayer water bottle and stationery.



The second parcel was for a former KS2 pupil who is now in Year 7 at St Laurence school. **Annabel's** prize is on its way to her and we hope to hear about it from her soon. Congratulations to everyone who took part. Freddie and Annabel's success has definitely enthused us **all for British Science Week 2021!**

Year 5 & 6 Residential June 2021

Deposit Reminder

Today is the last day for placing a deposit and giving consents for Year 5 & 6 pupils wishing to take part in next year's residential trip to Kilve Court.



Benefice of Atworth with Shaw and Whitley

Would like to invite you to a Crib Service on Christmas Eve 3pm which will be in Shaw School grounds. All children are encouraged to come dressed as nativity characters. It will be about 30 minutes outdoors. Also on Christmas day 10am there will be a family service in St Michaels Atworth.

The benefice have a Facebook page where you can find all their current news and activities [Benefice of Atworth with Shaw and Whitley - Home | Facebook](#)



CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES AT ST. PETERS CHURCH, MONKTON FARLEIGH

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL, 9-25TH DECEMBER

The church will be open every day between 10.00 am and 4.30 pm

THE NATIVITY STORY

12 pictures telling the story of the Nativity will be around the churchyard for the children to find

CHRISTMAS EVE

Do join us for a lantern walk at 4 p.m. starting from the village hall carpark, processing to the church where there will be a small gift for each child. Shepherds, kings and angels will all be welcome and Father Christmas has promised to lend us one of his reindeers, if he can, to lead the procession!

And finally...let's light up Monkton Farleigh this Christmas. It would be wonderful to have lots of lights around our village for added festive cheer

Has your child tested positive for COVID-19?

If **YES** you need to inform the school as soon as possible

The school will need the following information to carry out a risk assessment of who may be a close contact:

- Date of onset of COVID-19 symptoms**
(including what symptoms they had)
- Date of the test**
- Date of the result**
(and evidence of the result/ID number)
- Date your child was last in school**
- How do they get to school?**
E.g. walk, cycle, car, public transport, school transport, taxi
- If by car** – do you car share with anyone else?
- If walking** – do they walk in with anyone else?
- If public transport/school transport**
– do they know who they sat near?

Please provide any additional information you may have as to pupils or staff your child may have been in contact with during this period.

Please note: The infectious period is 48 hours prior to the onset of symptoms (or date of the test if tested when asymptomatic).

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WHAT HAPPENS IF YOUR CHILD HAS COVID OVER THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

16 Dec 17 Dec 18 Dec

DAY	Last day of school	Last day of school	Last day of school
16 Dec	Last day of school 16 Dec	Last day of school 17 Dec	Last day of school 18 Dec
17 Dec			
18 Dec			
19 Dec			
20 Dec			
21 Dec	If your child tests positive for Covid AND had symptoms OR was tested during the dates shown by the green boxes above you must email the school. Select your child's last date at school to find the green box that applies to you		
22 Dec			
23 Dec			
24 Dec			
25 Dec	If your child gets symptoms and tests positive after these dates you do not need to tell the school		
26 Dec			
27 Dec			
28 Dec			
29 Dec	If a member of your household tests positive for COVID-19 the whole household must self-isolate		
30 Dec			
31 Dec			
01 Jan			
02 Jan			
03 Jan			
04 Jan			

At the start of term in January if you child is positive, self-isolating or showing Covid symptoms you must tell the school
People may be able to pass on COVID-19 without any symptoms

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Don't give COVID-19 for Christmas – keep playing your part

- Please stay within your Christmas bubble
- Catch up with your friends online or on your phone – please don't be tempted to meet in person
- Remember to keep socially distancing, wash hands regularly, wear masks where required

Hopefully next year we can all have a merrier Christmas!

HIGH ALERT TIER

Wash hands regularly

Wear face coverings

Make space

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