



# Bressingham Primary Newsletter

14th December

2020

## Dates for this term

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> Dec **Christmas dinner** (pre-booked)

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec **End of autumn term**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> Jan **Start of spring term**

Monday 15<sup>th</sup>-Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Feb **Half term**

## Covid19 Safety

We continue to work to the Government and Local Authority guidelines for health and safety for schools during Covid19, erring on the side of caution. We have taken this very seriously and continue to help all in the school community to keep their part in this; the following list is not exhaustive, but is an indication of *some* of the measures:

- everyone keeps washing their hands with great frequency,

catching any unexpected sneezes or coughs in their elbows, using catch it/ bin it/ kill it with tissues, using their own equipment and keeping distance whenever possible



- staff continue to plan as full an education as possible, but following the protocols; do extra cover duties and cleaning duties; are vigilant to possible symptoms in

- children, and help one another and children to keep up with all the protocols
- parents and carers are keeping children away from school if they have symptoms or need to self-isolate, and not if they don't; they have those with symptoms tested and keep school informed, returning children to school once allowed to by the governmental advice; they support children with remote learning if they are at home; they wear face coverings and distance when arriving or picking up children; they are vigilant and let us know if they believe that something further can be done to protect the community

Whilst recognising that there are no guarantees, we really are doing our very best to protect the whole school community and

welcome any suggestions - please email [info@bressingham.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:info@bressingham.norfolk.sch.uk) if you have any suggestions and, most importantly, please follow the national Covid19 rules now and over the Christmas period, for us all...

### Information for prospective new pupils starting 2021



A welcome letter, together with the school prospectus and a video are now available on the school website, and our Facebook page.

Please do share this information with anyone that you know may be interested.

### Remote Learning

A separate ParentMail has been sent about this- please do take the actions requested in preparation for remote learning.

### Year 6 raise money for the Food Bank

Thank you to Year 6 and Miss Goddard for arranging this event, which started with a virtual meeting with a representative of our local Waveney Foodbank. This led to finding out other information about food banks, writing persuasive letters to parents and carers to encourage them to sponsor and finally to a sponsored silence, which took place last Thursday. It was very quiet in Year 6!



Thank you also for the generosity of the sponsors for this event, which has raised a huge total of £469 for the Food Bank. The children are hoping to have another virtual meeting with the representative they previously met and to pen an article for the local press.

We are really impressed with their good citizenship- they have been models in being kind and collaborative; they are showing respect for others and we are very proud of them and what they have achieved...

This is for you, from Year 6:

Dear Parents and Carers,

First, thank you so much to all of the sponsors. We really appreciate every single one. Due to your sponsorship, we have raised a massive £469!

We all found the sponsored silence a challenge, and Year 6 are very proud and impressed with themselves for completing this. We completed the silence on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December; we had to write everything on a whiteboard. Year 6 received certificates made by Miss Goddard.

We wouldn't have had any sponsors if you didn't sponsor Year 6. We are all so grateful for the money. This will all go to Waveney Foodbank. This will be really helpful, since it's so close to Christmas. The money you have given will change people's lives, and help thousands of people in Norfolk.

Thank you.  
Have a merry Christmas.

Year 6

### Nativity on Film

Also on Thursday, Years R, 1 and 2 had a very exciting day, filming their Nativity for a video that will be shared with parents. Here are a few photos to give an initial taster- in front of the green screen!



The children in Year 2 wrote the script.





Thank you to the children, the parents and carers who provided their outfits, and the staff who prepared them for the Nativity. Mrs Lewis was director and we even had a camera-person for the day- Maya and Evan's Dad, who endured being masked all day and being limited to the room he was in, to meet current restrictions. Thank you all- we can't wait to see the completed film!

**Families in hardship needing wider support:**

This information has been sent in for us to share with parents and carers:

Anyone experiencing hardship can also receive support through the Norfolk Assistance Scheme, which already provides support for food, fuel, clothes and other essential household items to families experiencing hardship. The easiest way to get in touch is to visit [www.norfolk.gov.uk/NAS](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/NAS) or if families cannot access the internet, they can call 01603 223392 (option 5). If the line is busy, they can leave a message and the team will call them back.

**Relationships, Sex and Health Education (RSHE)**



Parents and carers were sent information about the new content for RSHE that follows a change in DfE guidance.

We had an online meeting to discuss this topic last Friday, led by Ms Paterson. Thank you to Ms Paterson, and all who joined us.

**Change of school meal menu next Thursday**

As the children will mostly be having roast dinner for Christmas dinner on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup>, the hot option on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> will be sausage and mash.

**Car parking and safety outside the school**

Some parents and carers have made suggestions to help with this and these will be discussed by Governors soon.

Please keep being patient and taking great care when parking and when driving near to the school.

Thank you all.



Roe deer

*Thank you all for your support of our wonderful children and school.*

*Wishing all our families a very happy Christmas and a joyful New Year,*

*Dawn Gudde*



<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-highway-code/waiting-and-parking-238-to-252>

The village hall car park is spacious and provides an excellent alternative to trying to park very near to the school.

### **Nut free school**



We are a nut free school. Please be aware that children can have nut allergies, so please do not include any items containing nuts in snacks or in lunches; these can include snack bars or spreads, amongst other foods. Thank you.