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School News

A message from Mrs. Denham

Parent conferences

Thank you to all the parents who worked their way through Arbor and Teams to have your parent conference this week with your child's class teacher. Thank you to so many parents who have been in touch thanking the admin and teachers for finding a way to still continue to hold the meetings even in these difficult times. The teachers have been just wonderful and I am so grateful to them. They really are working incredibly hard day and night to do everything required and I am so grateful to them.

Children in Need

It was lovely to see all the children in non-uniform today. Thank you to all those parents who have already donated to this fundraiser. If you haven't yet donated, please do so as soon as possible.

Christmas

I have been having conversations with staff and the PTA about how we can try and continue with as many of our Christmas traditions for your children as possible within our COVID19 Risk Assessment and guidelines. We want to make the Christmas period in school as special as we can.

Therefore, we have decided to continue with the following:

1. Swop Shop

At many pupils' requests, our annual pupil Swop Shop will go ahead week commencing **14th December**. We would be very grateful, if you are able to send in any small donations of presents suitable for a mum, dad, and brothers and sisters, such as small bubble bath, talc, soap, pens, pencils, chocolates, sweets, gloves, socks etc.

Due to Covid restrictions, we do however, ask you to send in any donations on ONLY Thursday 10th & Friday 11th December. Please do not send any donations in before these dates nor after. A tray will be left on the doorstep of the main entrance for you to place your donations. All the presents will then be isolated for 72hrs.

On swop shop day, we will ensure the children hand sanitise before and after the swop shop. They will only touch the item they choose as their present, they will wrap it up and then bring it home the same day. If you then isolate the item for 72 hours, we should be in line with all present guidance.

This 'Swop Shop' will hopefully be a way for you to be able to 'recycle' some of the small presents you do not need, that you have at home! Any donations of wrapping paper and tags/labels will also be useful. **There will be no charge so you do not have to send in money!**

2. Save the Children Christmas Jumper Fundraiser

The children may take part in "wear a Christmas Jumper to school." Your child may wear their Christmas Jumper to school, on Friday 27th November, then the following three Fridays until the end of term, for a one off donation of £2.00. Parent Pay will be set up for you to make payment next week. Please donate by 4th December 2020.

3. PTA

The PTA have been so busy working out ways for them to continue to celebrate Christmas. They have got some wonderful ideas and we hope you will support them in any way you can. Thank you to everyone who signed up to contribute to their hamper. There will be the opportunity to buy a "Christmas Fayre in a bag" and take part in an art competition to name just a few ideas

4. Christmas lunch

Mrs Tapp is working with the Ventrus catering team to ensure the children can still have a yummy Christmas lunch

We are also considering how to COVID safely support other Christmas traditions such as children sending Christmas cards to each other

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Certificates

Congratulations to all children who received certificates in assembly today.

Privacy Notice

The Trust has updated its Privacy Notice for parents. Please find attached a copy.

Bratton Fleming School is a NO NUT Zone

Dates for your diary

4 th December 2020	Flu Immunisation
18 th December 2020	Last day of Term
5 th January 2021	Spring Term begins
27 th January 2021	Bags for School
15 th February to 19 th February 2021	Half Term
1 st April 2021	Last Day of Term
19 th April 2021	Summer Term begins
3 rd May 2021	Spring Bank Holiday
28 th May 2021	Non Pupil Day
31 st May to 4 th June 2021	Half Term
23 rd July 2021	Last Day of Term

PTA News

We would like to thank everyone who has kindly offered to make a donation towards what will be a truly wonderful Christmas hamper. Could we please ask that all items are with us by Friday 27th November? Tickets will hopefully be sent home the following week before the winner is announced during the last week of term. As unfortunately there will be no Christmas Fayre this year the PTA will be offering 'Christmas Fayre in a bag'!!!! This way hopefully every child in school will still have the chance to have some of the goodies they would have been offered at a normal Christmas Fayre-Details to follow

This year the PTA will be holding an art competition, for more information please see flyer attached.

As always thank you so much for your support.

Community News

Bratton Fleming Pre-School

We've had a fabulous week at Pre-School looking at People Who Help Us! We have been exploring lots of different jobs that people do to help others and discussing what we'd like to do when we are older. On Wednesday we were very lucky to be able to explore real army kit and resources and the children had a fabulous time. We are very proud of all our Pre-School children who took part in the 2 minutes' silence to mark Remembrance Day, we created our own poppies and explored the meaning of Remembrance Day too. We have enjoyed being outside lots this week; racing on the vehicles, chalking on the floor and of course in the mini woodlands area!

We now take children from 0-5yrs we have a lovely designated 'Bunnies' area for our under 2s, we currently have spaces for all ages.