

# Guildford Grove Primary School

NEWSLETTER: DECEMBER 2020



## Things going on in school:

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> and Tues 8<sup>th</sup> Dec

- 'Flu vaccines

Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas

Jumper Day and Christmas lunch.

Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Dec – 1:45pm

Christmas performance for **Lighthouse parents**

**ONLY** (details have been given to relevant families)

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Dec – Break

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## Christmas at Guildford Grove Primary School

Whilst we are unable to have a regular Christmas this year, we are still managing to celebrate in a new way. We still want to make Christmas special for all the children. A big thank you to everyone who has helped with our “**virtual Christmas Fayre**” this year. Your support is very much appreciated. The PTA are delighted to have raised approx. £800.

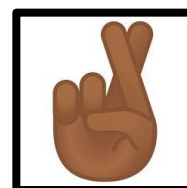


**Christmas cards** – In order to be COVID-safe, if your child wishes to bring cards in for their friends and for adults, we ask you to get them in to school by **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December** so that we can quarantine them over the weekend and then hand them out the following week. The staff will sanitise their hands or wear gloves when giving them out. **DON'T FORGET TO WRITE THE NAME AND CLASS CLEARLY ON THE ENVELOPE.**

**Christmas Performance** The whole staff team are working on a performance that they will be recording and then making available to you soon. We want everyone that wants to be involved to enjoy the experience. Watch Parent Mail for more details.

## MONDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2021 – INSET DAY

Please remember that this is an INSET Day for staff training so children will return to school for the spring term on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021. I think we will all be hoping for a more normal 2021! Fingers crossed.



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### **New minibus for The Lighthouse.**

Our Lighthouse have been the proud recipients of a brand-new **minibus**. This minibus was kindly donated by Children with Special Needs Foundation. The children will be able to use the minibus for their weekly riding lesson in Cranleigh as well as a range of other off-site trips. There was a presentation at school that was also featured in the Community News in the Surrey Advertiser.

Our Lighthouse children have had another success as they had their Christmas card design chosen as a **winner** for the GEP 2020 Christmas card. The design will be seen by so many people across the local area.

### **Colds**

Colds are a normal part of life and we know that children and staff will get them. We are sensible enough to know that if anyone has a cold and *can* work through it, then they are welcome in school.



### **COVID-19**

If a child has **any one** of the COVID symptoms (high temperature, new and persistent cough, loss of taste and/or smell) then they should NOT come to school and a test should be booked. Our staff can advise you and your family on what steps to take and you can phone or email us if you are unsure.

If you get a **positive** COVID test, we ask that you let us know straight away on the following email address:

[covid19@guildfordgrove.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:covid19@guildfordgrove.surrey.sch.uk)



### **SCHOOL UNIFORM**

This is a reminder that our children are very smart at Guildford Grove and we expect all children to be in the **correct uniform every day**. They need black school shoes from Years 1-6. Reception and Nursery children wear trainers.

In Years 1-6, children wear trousers, skirts or pinafores. The children in Reception and Nursery wear jogging bottoms.

Everyone must wear their green sweatshirt or cardigan.

Now that we are in winter, the children need a coat and other winter garments like gloves, scarf and hat. It certainly can be very cold at this time of year.

**On PE days**, the children need to wear their green T-shirt with either leggings or jogging bottoms in a dark colour.

**SCHOOL LUNCH REMINDER – If your child is off school, please cancel their lunch order.**

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We know many of you have four-legged dog friends as members of your family. Sadly, we cannot permit dogs to come onto the school site even if you are carrying them. We are sorry to disappoint you on this.

COLLECTION TIMES ON LAST DAY OF TERM Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	
Nursery	12:30pm
Reception and Year 1	12:45pm
Year 2 and Year 5	12:50pm
Years 3, 4 and 6	1pm
Lighthouse	12:45pm

And finally...we all know that parenting is not an easy job and it doesn't come with a handbook! Here are some useful links that our Home School Link Worker, Mrs Buchanan, thinks you might find useful. There is also a link for adult learning too which may be of interest.

[Families under pressure - parenting video tips from NHS - Healthy Surrey](#) click on the highlighted 'tips and tricks' on the web page to access the videos.

Surrey Adult Learning provides inclusive opportunities to promote learning, health and wellbeing. We inspire people to achieve their potential.

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/adult-learning/courses/family-learning> And with this receive the Family Bulletin. <https://bit.ly/2J4ZGQL>

We all wish you happy holidays and a peaceful 2021



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