

Friday 27th November 2020

Our Christian Value for the term: Caring

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Dear Parents,

I would like to thank all parents for being so understanding about the protective measures we have in place at school. I have received so many positive emails and messages about the things we are doing in school to keep the children safe and we are very appreciative of your support.

We are continuing to adhere to the government's guidelines on handwashing which states:

'Schools must ensure that pupils clean their hands regularly, including when they arrive at school, when they return from breaks, when they change rooms and before and after eating. Regular and thorough hand cleaning is going to be needed for the foreseeable future.'

Some parents have mentioned that their children's hands are getting dry and sore from the hand washing. I have attached some information from the British Skin Foundation - they recommend that children use moisturiser if their skin is becoming overly dry. If you are concerned about dry or chapped hands - please send moisturiser in. The teachers will do their best to ensure that the children dry their hands thoroughly. In the meantime, I will see if there are measures we can take at school to improve the situation.

Christmas

We are three weeks away from the end of term and we are looking forward to celebrating Christmas in a Covid secure way at school! Mrs Pike has been appointed teacher in charge of Christmas and she has worked with other staff to ensure the children still have lots of Christmas fun at school!

Children will be allowed to bring in Christmas cards but we would ask that they **only bring them in on a Monday** and put them into a box in the classroom. We will then leave the cards for 72 hours before sorting into classes and distributing them. Cards will then be given out in classes on a Friday.

In the last week of term, the children will be holding Christmas parties in the hall in their bubbles and Father Christmas *may* make an appearance at some point for our youngest children (as long as he isn't self-isolating or furloughed). The Reception children will be filming a nativity play for parents and we will also be watching a virtual pantomime in our bubbles on Wednesday. We will be having our Christmas lunch on Thursday along with a Christmas jumper day (£1 for PTA funds please). We hope to do some Christmas singing outside and every class is going to decorate their classroom door in the weirdest, wackiest way for a Christmas decorated door competition. We will end the term with a virtual Christmas service with readings and carols.

Further details will be sent out nearer the time.

Mrs J Woolley
Headteacher

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Forest School

Children in year 1 and Elm class have been treated to a toasty fire at forest school today. All the children toasted their own marshmallows and made yummy s'mores! The children also had the opportunity to den build, use the mud kitchen, climb trees, build micro habitats, as well be nature detectives.



Year 4 WOW Day



Today, Year 4 have come to school dressed as Egyptians. They have designed and made an Egyptian necklace and played their Egyptian games.

Thank you to all the parents for supporting the children with their amazing costumes.

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Beech Class walk around Tetbury



Beech had a walk around Tetbury today looking at the tops of buildings, as sometimes they can give us clues about what that building used to be. For example, in one block of flats the windows were very regular. Mrs Ravenhill then told us that it used to be an old brewery/factory. We also looked at the engraving on the old police station to find out what it used to be and when it was built. We found out that the doctor's surgery used to be the old secondary school, and the houses round the back were the old playground! We also had a good look round the market place in the centre of Tetbury. This is all part of our Geography lessons at the moment, which is about 'land use over time'.



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Christmas raffle tickets will be sent home in books bags next week (with oldest child only).

Tickets are £1 each which enters you to win a host of fabulous prizes; Dyson hairdryer, £100 gift voucher for Henrietta's house, Little Bird photography shoot, £50 Tesco voucher and many more.

Please return completed ticket stubs and payment to your class teacher by **Friday 11th December**. Due to Covid-19, please ensure all monies and completed tickets are returned to class, in an envelope or a small food bag. Thank you for your understanding.

If you have any unwanted tickets please return them to your class teacher.

Good luck everyone!!!!

St. Mary's PTFA

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CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

- Dyson supersonic Hair Dryer
- Lunch for two at Steepleton Kitchen
- £100 Voucher for Henriettas House
- Family photoshoot with Little Bird Photography
- £50 Tesco Voucher
- Voucher & Bottle of wine from Tetbury Fish and Chips
- 2 x 45 minute Personal training sessions with Maddi PT
- 1 Month Online Fitness programme by Charlie Hitchcock PT
- 1 set of gel nails by Beauty By Adelle
- Vouchers for Outlaws Barbers
- Christmas Flower Display by The Flower Hut Tetbury
- 2 x Vouchers for 6 Brownies from Bex's Baking
- Lovely Scarf from Moloh
- Ipad holder from Eager Sew and So

TICKETS ONLY £1
TICKETS TO BE RETURNED BY FRIDAY 11TH DECEMBER
RAFFLE WILL BE DRAWN ON MONDAY 14TH DECEMBER

DUO TO COVID-19, PLEASE BRING ALL MONIES AND COMPLETED TICKETS AND RETURN TO CLASS IN AN ENVELOPE OR SMALL FOOD BAG. THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING.
PLEASE RETURN ALL UNWANTED TICKETS TO SCHOOL.

Thank you to all the businesses that have kindly donated a prize.

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Easyfundraising.com

There is only a month to go.... Ho ho ho....

Please remember to use easyfundraising when you do your Christmas shopping this year

(<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmarystetbury/>).

Over 4,300 shops and sites will donate to our school for FREE when you use easyfundraising to shop with them. This means you can raise donations for the benefit of our children, **at no cost to you**, when you buy anything from decorations and festive food, to gifts and experiences, and much more!

Follow this easy guide to get started:

https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=Sn2dsQGAE_w

You can also install the Donation Reminder to give you an alert whenever you visit a shop or site that donates. You can then activate the donation in one click! It's completely FREE, please install it now to make sure you never miss a donation!

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/donation-reminder/>

Easyfundraising is a great way for family and friends to support the school as well.

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"Winter coat for every child" - supporting families

If your little ones have grown out of the coat they wore last year, and you're happy to donate, please bear us in mind. We are supporting a group which is providing winter clothes for children in the most deprived areas. Whether it's a girl or boy one, from reception age up, as long as it can be zipped up or buttoned up, it's warm and without holes, we will find a child (or a parent), who will be extremely grateful to you!! Thank you for your help this will make such a difference to so many families

Please drop off any coats in the box provided just inside the school office door.



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HOLIDAY CLUB
TETBURY

GAMES & ACTIVITIES:

- ★ Arts & Crafts ★ Face Painting ★ Dodgeball ★ Talent Shows
- ★ Ultimate Frisbee ★ Football ★ Nerf Wars ★ Musical Bumps
- ★ Cricket ★ There's something for everyone! ★

Camp Available
23rd December
2nd January 3rd January

🕒 9.00am - 4.00pm (8.00am - 5.00pm extra)

COME AND JOIN US FOR AN AMAZING TIME OVER THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS, FROM ONLY £22 PER DAY!

WEBSITE atlascamps.co.uk
EMAIL info@atlascamps.co.uk
PHONE 0800 772 0743

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Dear Parents

We are extremely excited about our French Christmas zoom club. Please see the flyer attached. We will meet on the Monday 21st December- Wednesday 23 December morning for a fun French lesson learning with Père Noël et le petit Lutin. I will send a craft package to you as well as email activity sheets for the children to do outside of our lessons. On the Wednesday, we'll have an extended lesson to include cooking together.

Do let me know if you'd like more information or to book a place. I will order the Christmas craft next week.

A bientôt

Madame Fuller

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ARTS CENTRE

CINEMA IS BACK – EVERY THURSDAY

The tickets have been reduced to £5 per person and this includes a mince pie or some Christmas chocolate!!! 😊

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THURSDAY 17th December 2020 special festive showing

4.00pm ARTHUR CHRISTMAS (U)



ALL TICKETS £5.00 (plus booking fee)

PRICE INCLUDES A MINCE PIE OR XMAS CHOCOLATES!!

SEATING IS LIMITED SO PRE BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL – PLEASE CHECK WEBSITE

THE WEARING OF FACE COVERING (unless medically exempt) AND SOCIAL DISTANCING TO BE MAINTAINED AT ALL TIMES

DOORS OPEN 30 MINUTES BEFORE FILM STARTS

Tetbury Goods Shed www.shed-arts.co.uk telephone 01666 505496

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ARTS CENTRE

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7.00pm ELF (PG)



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As we're in lockdown I've been online shopping. I'm a bit concerned about buying goods without seeing them first. What happens if something goes wrong, or if I change my mind after seeing something in reality? I don't have money to lose right now.

You're not alone being cautious about shopping online. Over the last year Citizens Advice Consumer Service has dealt with just under 123,000 cases in relation to online shopping.

Most of the time, when you buy something online you automatically get a 14-day 'cooling-off period' which starts the day after you receive your order. There doesn't need to be anything wrong with the item for you to get a refund. Many online sellers may offer more time, so make sure you check the terms and conditions before purchasing.

If you do decide to return your item, you need to tell the seller you don't want the item within 14 days of receiving it. Once you've told the seller, you've got 14 days to send it back. The seller has to pay you the refund within 14 days from when they receive the item.

If you buy something online and the product is faulty (i.e. it's broken, unusable or doesn't match what was advertised), you have 30 days to ask for a refund from when you receive it. However, you can choose to accept a replacement or repair. After 30 days (and before six months) the seller must offer you a repair within a reasonable timeframe. If this isn't possible, they must offer you a replacement or a refund. Ask the seller for the easiest way to send the item back. You shouldn't have to pay.

If you order something and it doesn't arrive, it's the seller's responsibility to make sure the item is delivered to you. If the seller used a courier, they should chase the courier to find out what's happened to your order - it's not your responsibility.

Check out <https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/> for more information or contact the Citizens Advice Consumer helpline on 0808 223 1133

You can also get advice and information from your local Citizens Advice office, Stroud & Cotswold Districts by contacting our freephone number – 0808 800 0511

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Tip of the Month I'm dreaming of...



Buying a real tree,
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Using my artificial tree,
(over and over again!)



Renting a tree, to
borrow and return.

For more ideas, see:

www.greeningtetbury.org

<https://www.cotswold.gov.uk/bins-and-recycling/>

 **Greening Tetbury**


**Merry
Christmas**

Say "No" to:

- New tinsel
- Shiny paper

