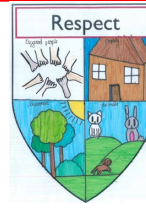
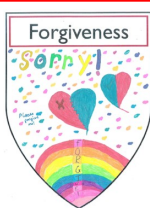


Oldswinford Cof E Primary School

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Autumn Newsletter: 11th December 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Another successful week in school with 'Christmas Dinner' now ticked off our list. I can't believe this is the penultimate newsletter before we break up. It's beginning to feel a lot like Christmas...!

It was great to see so many children in Christmas Jumpers today - thank you for all your donations.

It was also lovely to see our reception classes supporting Mary Stevens Hospice and taking part in their 'Reindeer Run' around the playground. Thank you to all the parents who have supported this.

Have a lovely weekend everyone - my plans for this weekend, unfortunately, include doing the rest of my Christmas shopping... wish me luck!!

Take care and stay safe,

Ellie Game

Value of the half term...

Faith

This week we have discussed advent. We have looked at what the different candles mean on an advent wreath and how it is a time of waiting and preparation for the celebration of the birth of Christ.

Covid 19

While the numbers in Dudley continue to decrease, we still need to be as vigilant as ever to ensure our school stays safe and open.

Please remember to keep your child at home if they display any symptoms or if anyone in your household has had a test or is waiting for a test result.

Thank you for your support.

Dates to remember

14th - 18th - Christmas Party week

Children should come dressed in their party/mufti clothes and remember to bring their Christmas box filled with snacks.

Monday 14th - Reception

Tuesday 15th - Year 1

Wednesday 16th - Year 4

Thursday 17th - Years 2, 3, 5 and 6

Where classes have parties on the same day, they will not be mixing but will either be at a different time, in a different hall or in their classrooms.

Thursday 17th December - End of Term

Tuesday 5th January - Children return to school

Christmas Presentations

To replace our usual plays and church service, Years 1,2,3,4,5 and 6 have been working on a short Christmas presentation that they will upload to DOJO on Thursday 17th December. (Reception did something slightly different as they were able to record their own nativity play)

I have seen lots of classes around school practising and they look brilliant and while they are not quite the same as a Christmas play or church service we are glad that we have been able to do something.

Some staff have even been busy preparing something too!

Safeguarding

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff, governors, volunteers and the wider school community to share this commitment.

If you have concerns about a child the NSPCC helpline can offer advice.

They can be contacted on: 0808 800 5000

Alternatively, If you feel like you might need extra support then there is a process called 'Early Help' which can provide help where problems are emerging for children, young people and their families. More information can be found out about this by following the link below:

<https://www.dudley.gov.uk/residents/care-and-health/children-and-family-care/early-help-for-children-and-families/>

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