

Leigh on Mendip School

Newsletter 12 - 4th December 2020



Don't forget tomorrow is the first of our Christmas tree sales; 10am - 4pm! Not only do we have a range of beautiful trees ready for you but we are also selling FOLS cookery books and raffle tickets. We have been working on a risk assessment to ensure that everyone is safe whilst choosing their Christmas tree but this does mean that we are only able to have a certain amount of people on site at any one time. If you would like to order a tree, please do so through the school office.

We are happy for the children to bring in Christmas cards this year, but with slightly different arrangements. Our postbox will be put on the playground all of next week (Monday 7th - Friday 11th) for children to deliver cards. The cards will then be sorted and distributed the following week by our team of happy elves. Please note that if cards are not brought in next week, we will not be able to hand them out.

On Wednesday 16th December all children are able to order a Christmas lunch if they wish and we are also inviting all children to come wearing their favourite Christmas jumper if they would like to. Unfortunately we will not be able to eat together in the hall as in previous years and we will be eating in the classrooms. Please can you order your child's Christmas lunch through parent pay by Wednesday 9th December.

The library service is offering the children a chance to take part in a winter mini challenge. Children are encouraged (with parental support) to sign up to the challenge at www.wintermini.org.uk reading three books or more over the Christmas period and then to review and rate them online. If the challenge is completed you will become a Reading Hero and be awarded a certificate of achievement. The challenge ends on January 15th 2021.

We have a couple of vacancies on our Local Governing Body at the moment. The role involves attending six evening meetings a year, and being a visible presence around the school community; often with other aspects, such as working alongside a teacher on a curriculum subject. If you think this is something that may interest you please get in touch by emailing Sarah Claxton at sclaxton@leighonmendipschool.co.uk. You will then be signposted to further information as well as an application form which would ask you for the skills you could bring to the committee.

We have been signposted by our trust to the NSPCC Share Aware website and resources for children at the top end of the school. This is following some safeguarding incidents reported locally by Avon and Somerset police involving primary aged children. We recommend you have a look at these resources and share those that you think are suitable with your own child. Please visit <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/globalassets/documents/advice-and-info/share-aware.pdf>

Mrs Phillips

Mr Turull

Notices

- Due to the need to continue to ventilate classrooms during this period please feel free to give your child an extra layer of clothing to wear.

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Diary Dates

December

Sat 5th Christmas Tree Sale 10am - 4pm
Sat 12th Christmas Tree Sale 10am - 2pm
Wed 16th Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper day
Fri 18th End of term 2

FOLS 100 Club

December Draw

1st Place Natalie Light
2nd Place Carol Haskins
3rd Place Lianne Concannon

Many congratulations to all the winners!



Christmas Activities

Swallow Class



Robins Preschool



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**Kingfisher
Class**



Starling Class

