



CURDWORTH PRIMARY NEWS

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I would just like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you for your support over the last term. It has been a very challenging and busy few months. The children and staff team have worked very hard this year and we are proud of progress across school.

Please can I remind parents that, when we return to school, children should be in uniform each day and that trainers (including black trainers) are not part of our school uniform. Children will continue to come to school on PE days in their school PE kit (coloured t-shirt, school jumper/hoodie, black joggers/leggings and trainers). Please can I also ask that parents ensure that all uniform, including PE kit, is named as we will still find a large amount of unnamed items in school.

Thank you again for your ongoing support, messages, gifts and cards. I hope you all have a happy, safe, restful holiday and I look forward to seeing you all back at school on Wednesday 5th January 2022!

Best wishes, Mrs Lisa Dodd - Headteacher

SCHOOL MEALS AND ACTIVITIES

As a reminder, all meals **MUST** be booked in advance and paid for at the time of booking. Please can all families who are in debt for school meals ensure that debts are cleared before we return in January. Please be aware that we will not be able to offer lunches to pupils in the new year until outstanding debts have been paid. If you would like your child to have school meals after the Christmas break, please book them on 'My Child At School' before we return.

We still have a few families who have not paid for the school Santa Panto. If parents/carers do not make payment, this has to come out of our school funds which means that we will not be able to provide other things we had planned. Please contact Mrs Teasdale or go online to make any outstanding payments as soon as possible.

Finally, please can I remind parents of children in Squirrels class to bring their payments up to date for the residential trip to Whitemoor Lakes. The final payment for this trip is due in March. If anyone is struggling to make payment please contact Mrs Teasdale in the school office.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

On average, our whole school attendance is currently 94% which is below the expectation of at least 96% and lower than it is normally at Curdworth Primary School. Our attendance has been heavily impacted by the pandemic, along with other seasonal bugs. However, in addition to that, there are a number of families who have taken children out of school for unauthorised reasons.

I am currently working very closely with our attendance officer who will be in contact with families where there is poor and/or unauthorised school absence. Please be aware that it is possible that this can sometimes result in a fine. I do appreciate that there are occasionally circumstances where this is unavoidable but the children have lost a significant amount of face to face learning time over the past two years and it is hugely disruptive to their education when they miss time in school.

I would also like to remind you that our doors open from 8.45am and school officially starts at 8.55am. Children should be in class and sat down ready at that time and not just coming through the gate as it delays the start of the day for everyone. Children arriving after 8.55am will need to enter school via the main entrance and they **MUST** be signed in by an adult. Children arriving after 8.55am will be marked as late, children arriving after the register has closed at 9.05am will be recorded as an unauthorised absence. The KS1 playground gate will now close at 8.50am and the KS2 playground gate at 8.55am promptly. Class teachers will not be able to let children in the classroom doors after 8.55am.

Please help us to maximise our learning time and minimise disruptions by ensuring your child is in school ready for the register at 8.55am every day.

PRESENTATION CHALLENGE

A huge well done to all children for working hard this year to make improvements to their handwriting and presentation.

A special congratulations to the following children who received a prize and certificate for their hard work:

RECEPTION

Annabelle

Ryan

YEAR 1

Minnie

Abel

YEAR 2

Avery

Harry

YEAR 3

Violet

Rhys

YEAR 4

Yvie

Henry

YEAR 5

Arissa

Bobbi

YEAR 6

Alexia

Teddie

JOB OPPORTUNITY IN OUR SCHOOL KITCHEN

Chartwells Catering

12.5 hour opportunity

We have a fantastic opportunity to work in an excellent school, catering for pupils. The food offering is of the very highest standard and requires a real foody who is also a people person with great customer service skills to join our existing catering team. To perform a variety of tasks associated with food production, front and back of house services, and any general support required with due regard to all Health & Safety and Food Safety Regulations. To perform general duties which support the efficient running of the unit in line with contractual requirements.

Term time only

Monday to Friday [10.45 - 13.15](#)

43.6 weeks plus holiday entitlement

Enhanced DBS check required (paid for by employer)

Job Types: Full-time, Part-time

Salary: £8.91 /hour

Please contact Joshua Kelly – Joshua.kelly@compass-group.co.uk

KEY DATES



DECEMBER

17.12.21 Early finish (1.30pm)

20.12.21 - 03.01.21 Christmas Holiday

JANUARY

04.01.22 INSET day (children not in school)

05.01.22 Children return to school

17.01.22 - 21.01.22 WOW week (all classes)

19.01.22 Year 5/6 cricket competition (selected children will be notified by Miss Harris)

FEBRUARY

04.02.22 Whole school attendance review - all families to be notified of their child's attendance.

08.02.22 Curdworth Governors Meeting 5.30pm

10.02.22 Dodgeball competition (selected children will be notified by Miss Harris)

17.02.22 Year 2 scooter safety session

18.02.22 INSET day (children not in school)

21.02.22 - 25.02.22 Half term break

MARCH

03.03.22 WOW Day - World Book Day (dress as your favourite book character)

17.03.22 KS1 gym competition (selected children will be notified by Miss Harris)

18.03.22 WOW Day - Messy Science

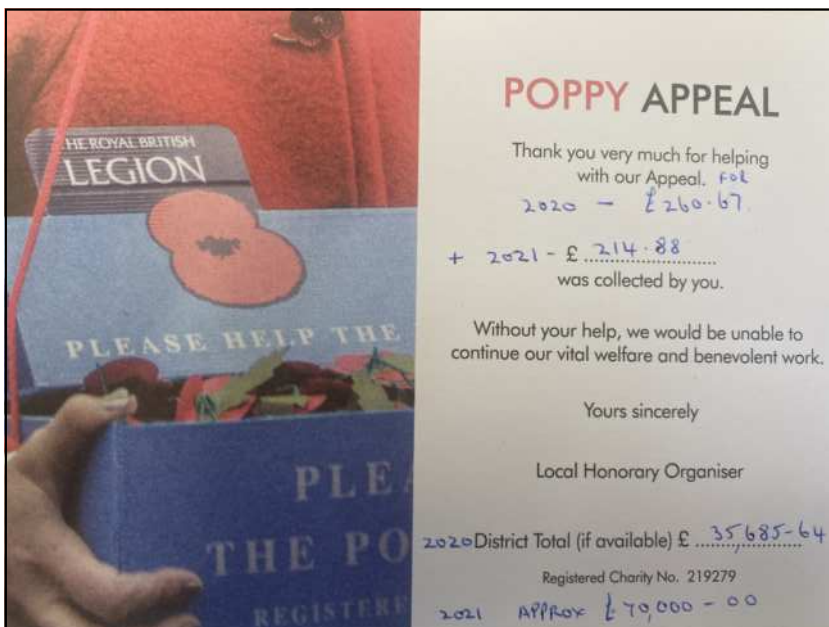
23.03.22 Year 5/6 hi-five netball competition (selected children will be notified by Miss Harris)

APRIL

07.04.22 Early finish (1.30pm)

08.04.22 INSET day (children not in school)

11.04.22 - 22.04.21 Easter Holiday



IMPORTANT

SAFEGUARDING CONTACT INFORMATION

The welfare and safety of our children will continue to be our priority throughout the Christmas break. As Designated Safeguarding Leader, Mrs Dodd will check emails on at least a weekly basis. If parents/carers need support you can make contact via email to head2502@welearn365.com or send Mrs Dodd a private message via Class Dojo.

If you think a child is in immediate danger please dial 999 and contact the Police.

You can also find support via from the following services:

Warwickshire Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH team) - 01926 414144

Warwickshire Emergency Duty Team - 01926 886922

Warwickshire Family Information Service - 01926 742274

School Health Chat Line: 07520619376 (Parents) 07507331525 (Teenagers)

Child Line - 08001111

Samaritans - 116123

Domestic Violence Hotline - 08002000247

MIND mental health support - 03001233393

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

The magic of
Christmas never ends,
and its greatest gifts are
family and friends.

— ANONYMOUS