

Todmorden CE (A) J, I & N School

Newsletter

Wednesday 2nd December 2020

Educating children for
175 years
1845 to 2020



Tomorrow, **Thursday 3rd December**, will be our last day of collecting food items for vulnerable families in our community! Please send your donation of Christmas non-perishables in with your child.

We are collecting;

Stuffing, Mince Pies, Tinned Veg, Condiments, Fruit cake, Crackers, Biscuits, Tinned goods, Jars, Chocolates etc.

Thank you!



If your child normally has packed lunches but you would like them to have a Christmas Dinner on Thursday 17th December for just £1.80, please book one as soon as possible with Tammy in our school office.

Children can now post Christmas cards to their friends in their bubble!



Our various Christmas Events including the Year 2 Nativity, Infant Christmas Songs, and Junior Carol and Christingle Service will take place during the last week of term. These will be shared with the school community through Google Classroom and a secure page on our website. If you don't want your child to take part let us know.

Parents are reminded that these videos are not to be shared with anyone else and must not be shared on any parents' social media accounts. Thank you.



Children are invited to wear a Christmas Jumper or Christmas Party Clothes on Friday 18th December.



A huge well done to all the children in Calder!



Our Christian value this half term is:

CARE

LOCAL COVID
ALERT LEVEL

VERY HIGH

As we move from the lockdown into the tiered system we would like to remind parents that Calderdale is in Tier Three. This means;

- You must not meet socially indoors with anybody you do not live with or have a support bubble with.
- You must not meet socially (in a private garden or at most outdoor public venues), with anybody you do not live with or have a support bubble with.

Please can we remind all families that this means children **SHOULD NOT** be having play-dates, parties or sleepovers with any other children even if the children are in the same bubble at school. Childcare bubbles are for essential child-care only and not to be used for social occasions.

By following these rules you are helping us keep the school safe for all our children and their families. It will also help us remain open for all our bubbles and children. Thank you.

**MINDSET
MASTER**



For children who have a positive 'can do' learning attitude.

Bunnies =	Jonah Calvert
Owls =	Chloe Cunningham
Reception =	Easton Cairns
Class 1 =	Alessa James
Class 2 =	Elsie Stanford
Class 3 =	Esther Lee
Class 4 =	Lyra Roberts
Class 5 =	Daisy Sutcliffe
Class 6 =	Seth Inman-Barker

National's GOT TALENT 2020

National's Got Talent has gone virtual for 2020!

- Are you a fantastic dancer?
- Can you do loads of keep-me-ups?
- Can you play an instrument?
- Do you have the voice of an angel?
- Are you a super, bendy gymnast?
- Are you the funniest child in school?
- Do you know any magic tricks?

We are waiting to see your amazing talent!

Send a short (approx. 1 minute long) video of you at home showing off any talent and you will be entered automatically in this year's 'National's Got Talent' competition. The children will watch these in their bubbles as part of our Christmas celebration on the last week of term.

Please send your video to:

homelearning@todmorden-jun.calderdale.sch.uk

By **FRIDAY 11th December**



A prize for every entry! *

*1 entry per child allowed

Parents of Year 4 and 5

Over the next two weeks Year 4 and 5 will be learning, as part of their PHSE curriculum's growing and changing unit, about the changes that happen during puberty to girls and boys and the about the menstruation cycle. This will be taught in a sensitive, child-friendly manner. If you would like more information on this please contact Mrs Leadbitter or see our PHSE curriculum on our website.

www.todmordenprimary.org.uk/our-curriculum/subject-reports/phse



READER OF THE WEEK

For children who consistently read at home.

Reception = Sadie Stanford
 Class 1 = Jasper Duxbury
 Class 2 = Eve Winstanley
 Class 3 = Rhys Matthews
 Class 4 = Imogen Grunnill
 Class 5 = Achilles Yaccabe-Micallef
 Class 6 = Ben Wigley

Please take a look on our website at our Christmas displays which are on the theme of children's Christmas stories!

They are superb!



8 REASONS WHY READING IS GOOD FOR CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH

Reading cultivates empathy and can even improve their social skills.

Books invite them to think and problem solve, thus improving creativity.

The stories of others can help them put their own life into perspective.

Books allow them to escape into other realities and worlds.

Reading can improve their memory and reduce the risk of falling behind.

Reading for pleasure can lower their stress and promote relaxation.

Reading can help development at school and reduce exam anxiety.

Reading before bed can help them establish a regular bedtime routine.



Stars of the Week

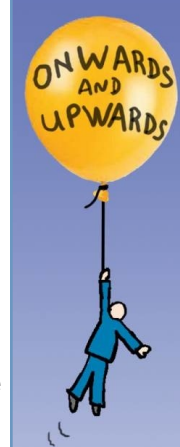


For showing our values of Love, Friendship, Trust or Honesty

Bunnies = Amber Ashton
 Owls = Theo Dinsdale
 Reception = Noa Maeve Hurst
 Class 1 = Rose Whittle
 Class 2 = Harvey Thomas
 Class 3 = Luke Whitham
 Class 4 = Amelia Riding
 Class 5 = Faye Hickman
 Class 6 = Ruben Dempsey

Onwards & Upwards

A huge congratulations to Mrs Ruth Lee, our Year 6 teacher, deputy head and SENDCo who has been successful in her application to be the headteacher at St. Augustine's CE J & I School in Halifax. She will take up this exciting new adventure after the Easter Holidays.



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