Rufford Park Post





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Headteacher's news:

Across the city, infection rates are reducing and we are seeing fewer children and staff in school having to self-isolate. This is as a result of the commitment and dedication of the whole school community - thank you!

In school, teaching and learning has not reduced. We have been busy with important end of term assessments and delivering the normal curriculum. We have also been for a number of walks in the school grounds as we try to reach Lapland...

Earlier in the week, the DfE announced that school's could close a day early for Christmas. I can confirm that Rufford Park will close as planned on Friday 18 December.

Take care, stay safe and have a lovely weekend.

Managing positive COVID-19 cases over the Christmas break...

During the first 6 days of the school holidays, we will need to play an important role in the test and trace procedures for the pupils and staff in school. Please carefully read these two paragraphs:

- 1. Where a pupil tests positive for COVID-19, having developed symptoms **more than 48 hours** since last being in school, the **school should not be contacted**. In this instance, contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace should be followed.
- 2. Where a pupil tests positive for COVID-19, having developed symptoms within 48 hours since last being in school, the school should be contacted. The school will then assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school. Depending upon the time it takes to get a test result, this could be up to 6 days after the last day of term.

If paragraph 2 does apply to your child, parents must email the office (email above) marked **FAO Mr. Cooke**. This email will be checked daily before 09:00 up until Thursday 24 December. Making early contact will definitely help: if a child has developed symptoms and is being tested then you should email the office immediately whilst we await the results.

Staff will also follow procedures related to these time scales.

Find out what your child has been doing in class this week:

Nursery Reception Y1 Pear Y1/2 Lime Y2 Cherry

Y3 Willow Y3/4 Cedar Y4 Beech

Y5 Oak Y5/6 Ash Y6 Maple

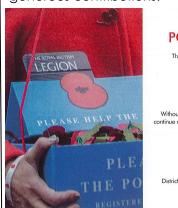
In Assembly we talked about how Christmas is celebrated in different ways across the world.

Telephone: 0113 3910906

School Council: Last week, the school council met for the first time. Miss Towler and Miss Johansson have been working together with the class representatives and one of the first tasks they decided to prioritise was to find out how children of Rufford Park Primary School have felt since the school re-opened in September. If you recall from Issue 2 of Rufford Park Post, parents reported that over 96% of pupils felt okay, happy or very happy about coming back to school. I wonder how the children are feeling now?



Poppy Appeal: Many thanks for your generous contributions:



2020
POPPY APPEAL
Thank you very much for helping with our Appeal.

\$\frac{3}{3} \frac{3}{-12}\$ was collected by you.

Without your help, we would be unable to continue our vital welfare and benevolent work

Yours sincerely

Thank

District Total (if available) £ 13, 200.

Dates for the diary

1 - 13 Dec: Rufford Races to Lapland

14 - 18 Dec: Class Christmas parties (your class teacher will let you know the arrangements)

18 Dec: Christmas dinner day and school closes for Christmas

4 Jan: School closed for TTD

5 Jan (Tuesday): School open to pupils for

the start of the Spring Term.