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1st December Update

Dear Parents,

As we move from the second national lockdown to the new tiered system tomorrow, very little will change in school. Please continue to follow the existing infection control measures that we have in place to keep our whole community safe.

Whilst important, it must seem to you that most communication from school is regarding our infection prevention measures. It is important to keep this in perspective and to let you know that things are going extremely well in our schools. For example:

- Attendance is excellent, thanks for your help with this.
- Our new Reception children are very settled despite not experiencing our usual transition process.
- Behaviour is excellent. The children are doing us proud in these challenging circumstances.
- Our infection control routines are fully embedded. It feels like we have always done it!
- Assessments of children have shown that they are attaining and achieving well considering how much time the school was closed to most children last academic year.
- School is as normal as it can be and we endeavour to do as much as we can to ensure children don't miss out whilst COVID-19 is still with us. Examples of these include:

Christingle Making:

Every child in school will make and bring home a Christingle on Friday as we cannot visit the church this year.

Christmas Shows:

Our Foundation Stage and Key Stage One teams are working very hard to record nativity shows as we cannot have an audience this year. We can't wait to let you watch these.

Carol Concert:

We will attend the Diocese Carol concert virtually this year as we cannot hold our usual one. The children are rehearsing sign language to one carol as singing is not considered safe indoors at present.

Christmas Parties:

These will take place in bubbles so children do not miss out but can celebrate in a safe way.

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Pantomime:

We cannot experience the pantomime in the way we usually would so we will have an afternoon treat for children; the next best thing!

Our FAFF (MR) and FOS (NCPS) committees continue with their good work to raise money to support us and have kindly bought a little present for every child in our Federation to wish them a Happy Christmas. Thank you to them for that.

All in all, things are very positive and we look forward to a productive and successful end of term.

Thank you very much for your continued support and please get in touch if there is anything we can do to support you further.

Kind regards,

Andrew Smith
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