



Wednesday 4th November 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Firstly, I hope you are all well and staying safe. I am writing to you with a few updates regarding the next half term and to offer our support during these challenging and difficult times.

Firstly, as you know, part of our risk assessment is good ventilation around school. To achieve this we have to have all the windows open during the day throughout the building. As you can imagine this is going to make the school feel cold during the winter months and this is the same for every school. We have had the heating on for a number of weeks but as the temperatures outside drop I need you to make sure your child wears a number of layers during the school day. I am happy for the children to wear fingerless gloves if needed and extra jumpers, t-shirts and vests. These do not have to have the logo on but please keep them plain and blue in colour. Also please make sure your child wears a warm coat to school each day and a woolly hat will help.

Secondly, sadly Christmas is going to be a bit different this year. We will not be able to have parents in to school to watch our amazing Christmas shows and we will not be able to invite you in for our end of term celebration assembly so this is what we are doing differently this year:

1. I have spoken to Santa who has agreed to hold a zoom session with each and every class from his grotto up in the North Pole.
2. We will be recording each class singing a Christmas song and this will be posted on the class dojo and social media, if possible.
3. We will be recording our Christmas Celebration Zoom Assembly and posting it on the class dojo and social media, if possible.
4. We will be providing every child with a selection box and treats throughout the last week of term which will also be 'Christmas Jumper Week'.
5. We will not be able to give out any Christmas cards and neither will the children.
6. Some of you will want to buy your class teacher a gift. Please this year, if you could buy some items for our Christmas Hamper appeal instead, we would be so appreciative. Or we encourage you to support our local food bank.
7. We will be hosting a Christmas Pantomime for Year 1-6 to watch, using social distancing and virtual reality.



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We have had to make changes to Parents' Evening due to the current restrictions. This year you will be receiving an end of term report. If you wish to discuss this with your child's teacher, please make an appointment for a telephone conversation. The report will give you information about how your child is progressing and how they have got on during the first term.

Finally, I would like to say although school is working under extreme and challenging pressures, the children and staff have been amazing. I have the privilege of watching the children learning and teachers weaving their magic each and every day. The quality of learning is excellent and the children have been working extremely hard. We have a number of extra staff in school and the support each and every child is getting to make sure they make excellent progress is working. I am grateful to everyone at Leamington for their hard work, dedication and support over the last 9 months.

What the future holds nobody knows but we are here to support the whole community. If you want to chat, if you need support, we are here to help. We don't judge. We help, we support and we are here for each and every one of you in our community. Please, if you need a helping hand contact the school and we will do what we can.

Please stay safe and follow the rules set out.

Best wishes.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr. Paul Vine



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