

The Blue Letter:17th December 2020



Dear Parents and Carers ,

Just a reminder that tomorrow Friday 18th December is an INSET day and the children return to school on Monday 4th January 2021.

If your child develops Coronavirus symptoms during the 48 hours after the end of term

1. Email the school on head@boxgrove.w-sussex.sch.uk. (up to and including 22nd December, after this please email office@boxgrove.w-sussex.sch.uk)
2. Arrange for a COVID test
3. Notify us of the result - negative or positive using the email addresses as above.

If there is a positive case, we will notify the parents whose children have been in contact. If you are notified that your child has been in contact with a positive case they will need to isolate. Please ensure that you check your emails up to and including 23rd December in case we need to notify you.

If your child develops symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, you do not need to contact us. You should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.

If your child comes into contact with a positive case during the holidays and has to isolate at the start of next term, please email the school on office@boxgrove.w-sussex.sch.uk or via telephone at the start of the term.

Hopefully you have all had a chance to watch "Boxgrove Introduces" via the youtube link that was emailed to you. Given the circumstances, I think the staff and children have done an amazing job. A huge thank you to them for all their hard work throughout this term.

As we reach the end of this term and the end of 2020, I would like to thank all parents and carers again for your commitment and support of the school during what has been the most challenging of years. I hope that you manage to have some time together to celebrate Christmas as a family and an opportunity to rest and relax. I look forward to seeing you all again in January 2021, as we look towards a new year with a coronavirus vaccine and some hope of returning school to 'normal' at some point. Thank you for your Christmas gifts and your good wishes and comments regarding my upcoming surgery.

To support the school before I return, Mrs Martin will be spending some time out of class. Owl class will be supported by David Beaney, a student from The University of Chichester. Mrs Martin will be available at the gate in the mornings, and via telephone on Monday, Wednesday and Friday during the day.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Collective Worship

When we return to school in January our theme will be Good News! We will be looking at the life of Jesus told through the Gospels.

Our first week back focuses on the Epiphany story as told in Matthew chapter 2. The star in the sky that led the wise men to Jesus was an important invitation and, although everyone could see it, only the Wise Men realised what it meant. They accepted the invitation of the star even though it meant a very long journey. The invitation of the star was to come and worship Jesus, the gift of God to the world.

Our key verse for the week will be Matthew chapter 2 V 11 "11 On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. "

What can I give Him,
Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd
I would bring a lamb,
If I were a wise man
I would do my part,
Yet what I can I give Him,
Give my heart.



Fox Class Winter Morning

Fox Class had a great time learning outdoors on Monday morning.



Achievers

Our final achievers for 2020.

Well done to:

Callen, Ferne, Mark, Arham, Molly, Lucas, Kaiden and Gully from Squirrel Class



Jack, Lexie, Max, Leon, Rose, Demi, Hazel, Sienna and Archie from Owl Class

Lollie, Mollie, Millie and Emily from Fox Class

