



## Cliddesden Primary School Headteacher's Newsletter

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Dear Parents and members of the school community

As we count down towards the end of term and Christmas, it has been another busy week at Cliddesden. Willow and Beech classes spent several days filming their nativity play. They showed great resilience as their teachers had to film each part outside in the cold weather. Mrs Jordan is now busy editing and putting all the scenes together. We will have it ready for your viewing by the end of term. Thank you to all the families that returned their consent forms quickly.

In Key Stage 2 there has been a curriculum focus on Design Technology. Chestnut Class have been designing packaging and Oak designing structures for shelters. Once they are finished we will photograph some examples for the class pages on the website.

Next week we have our Popcorn and Pantomime afternoon, our Dress for Christmas Day, the school Christmas Dinner and we will end the term with a special remote assembly. Although there are many traditional Cliddesden Christmas events that we have had to either cancel or adapt this year, there will still be a festive feeling here next week and we will ensure your children enjoy the end of term.

Yesterday I received the draft letter from Ofsted detailing their recent visit to school. As I mentioned last week, it wasn't an actual inspection, although we did treat it like one in terms of organisation and preparation, but a way for Ofsted to gather information on how the pandemic is having an impact on schools. Once the letter is released by Ofsted for public viewing we will put it on our website.

I was very proud to be able to tell the inspectors that our attendance figures this term were very positive. I ask you though, to please keep following the 'Covid-19' advice and rules for staying safe diligently, so that the whole school community can enjoy a healthy and safe Christmas.

### Dates to note

Please note that there will be no PE lesson on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020. See below for the day your child will be doing PE next week. Please ensure they come to school in PE kit that day.

Day	Class	Event
Tue 15 Dec 2020	Whole School	Pantomime and Popcorn afternoon
	Oak Class	PE
	Chestnut Class	PE
Wed 16 Dec 2020	Beech Class	PE
	Willow Class	PE
Thu 17 Dec 2020	Whole School	Dress for Christmas (non-uniform festive attire please)
	Whole School	Christmas Dinner
Fri 18 Dec 2020	Whole School	Last day of term - No PE for any classes
	Oak Class	Finish at 1:40pm
	Chestnut Class	Finish at 1:50pm
	Willow and Beech Classes	Finish at 2:00pm
	Bus children	Bus will collect from school at 2:00pm.
Mon 4 Jan 2021	Whole School	INSET day - School closed to pupils
Tue 5 Jan 2021	Whole School	First day of Spring Term for all pupils

### Chosen Charities

Remember, rather than gifting our staff at the end of term, we would prefer you donate to one of our chosen charities.

The Pupil Parliament's choice is the **Sebastian Action Trust** <https://sebastiansactiontrust.org/>

We have also chosen the **Salvation Army** <https://www.salvationarmy.org.uk/>

Alternatively, some parents have suggested they would like to donate to Friends for future resources for the school. Please contact Siobhan Desbonne or email [friendsofcliddesden@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofcliddesden@gmail.com) if this is your choice.

The Sebastian Action Trust has already contacted us to say several families from the school have donated, so thank you.

Have a lovely weekend

*Kenneth Davies*

*Headteacher*

To view diary dates and class pages, find out about our curriculum, read all about our events in school, view your child's homework tasks, learn how to stay safe on the internet and much more please visit our school website [www.cliddesden.hants.sch.uk](http://www.cliddesden.hants.sch.uk)

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