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Dear Parents and Carers,



Some of our children in Aristotle have been working hard to produce these nativity figures. Please do go to the memorial to look at the great job the children have done. My thanks to Mrs Manning and to Mrs Clarke for helping the children with their nativity figures.

All the children and adults in the district are invited to place decorated stones at the mangers. The stones will be left there until the week between Christmas and New Year when they will be hidden throughout the area to be found when the children and adults are out walking or playing."



*Merry Christmas*

**Christmas is coming!!**

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

School **Christmas dinner**. Children wear a **Christmas jumper/Christmassy items** and bring in a donation for our local food bank – see letter posted on ClassDojo on Wednesday of this week.

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December**

Rescheduled PTFA Christmas event in Wonder Woods.

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

Children will be making Christingles and will have a **Christingle worship**.

## **Christmas Cards**

To enable children to still send **Christmas cards** to each other, and staff, we are using this approach:

1. Children write Christmas cards, at home, as usual.
2. Children do not stick the flaps of the envelopes but, instead, tuck the flap inside the rest of the envelope.
3. Children post their Christmas cards, as usual, in the school post box—Tuesday to Fridays only.
4. The sorting and delivery is only undertaken on a Monday - to allow at least 48 hours after the final posting, the previous week.
5. Those children sorting and delivering the cards wear gloves.
6. The cards are left outside of each class - so that bubbles are not broken.

## **Celebrating and rewarding good attendance.**

Children learn well when they are in school. To celebrate and reward children that have good attendance at school we are introducing our 98% club and our 100% club. Children that have been in school 98% or more will get a certificate. Those children with 100% will get a grander certificate. We will use Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December as the date which we calculate these percentages. Appropriate discretion will be used in regard to absences that have had to take place because of COVID-19 isolating. Certificates will be given out during the last week of term, in a special worship.

## **Remote Learning**

As you may imagine, we do a lot of 'What if' planning. One of these concerns 'what if we need to run remote learning for a class or the whole school?' To help us plan for this, we need to know what technology (WiFi, tablets etc) is available for children in their homes. Therefore, all parents need to complete our online questionnaire about this. It will only take a few minutes. The link for it is here: <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=A3gsKI9LvU-jhBaC30fjrUe-C7VzsnhNhLSzcV01HV5URVIER05UN1c4WExKWUs3REtXQ0FaU04yQi4u>

## **Vine Activity Passports**

If your child has completed a colour section of their passport, please send it in to school. This way teachers can 'sign them off' and your child can be awarded a badge—there is a coloured badge for each section of the passport.

## **The Youth Sport Trust**

The Youth Sport Trust are running 30 minute live activities via their YST YouTube Channel every week day at 5pm, until the end of term. You can find these here—

<https://www.youtube.com/user/YouthSportTrust>

Best Regards,



Mr M Carter-Tufnell  
(Headteacher)



## Golden Award

Well done to the following children who received Golden Awards this week

**Lara** – Aristotle

**Faran** – Plato

**Lillie-Mae** – Socrates

## Sport/PE Golden Award

Well done to the Ethen of Plato class who received this week's Sports Award

## DOJO Champions

Congratulations to this week's Dojo Champions

**April** – Aristotle

**Brandon** – Plato

**Tyler** – Socrates

