

*Dear Parents/ Carers*

# WHIXALL SCHOOL NEWS

We demonstrate our Values of respect, caring, supportiveness, tolerance, perseverance, forgiveness, and trust in all that we strive to achieve each day.

## Back to school

We are very much looking forward to welcoming Years 3 and 4 back to school on Wednesday morning. We have missed the children so much and can't wait to see the children. You have been amazing while you have been at home and we have loved seeing the work you have been doing.

## Term Dates

Friday 18th December 2020

Term ends

Tuesday 5th January 2021

Term begins (children back in school)

## Holiday Club

In line with previous years there will be no holiday club over the school Christmas holiday period.

## Nativity

We are trying to ensure that the children experience all of our usual events in different formats. We are planning to film a version of the Christmas story involving the children and show it on our website during the last week of term.

Could you possibly help by providing a costume for your child as follows please.

**Dragonfly Class—will be characters from the Nativity (we have the costumes in school)**

**Skylark Class—children will be stars. Could we ask parents to provide their children with some light coloured clothes to wear.**

**Children in Year 3 will be wise men if your child could bring a tunic type garment into school please—we will provide the crowns.**

**Children in year 4 will be shepherds—if your child could bring a dressing gown type garment, a tea towel and a band of some description to tie the tea towel we would be grateful.**

**Peregrine Class—will be carol singers so will need their usual coat, a woolly hat and scarf.**

If children could bring their costumes into school by **Monday 7th December** please in a named bag we would be grateful. Please do not feel you need to buy clothes especially for this just send into school what you feel is most appropriate.

We will let you know details once they are finalised.

## Easy Fundraising

During these uncertain times we are looking for different ways to raise funds for school. We have registered for the Easy Fundraising scheme and would really appreciate your support with this. The scheme is very easy and free to use—if you buy any items on-line then please register with the easy fundraising website:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk>

Once registered with the site when you buy on line, please log in and see if the retailer you are purchasing from is registered with easy fundraising—if they are then log into the retailer's website via easy fundraising identifying Prees School as your chosen beneficiary and make your purchase—a percentage of the purchase price will be donated to school. Please support us with this if you can as it is a very easy way to raise funds for our school.

### CHRISTMAS CARDS

As the children like to give out Christmas cards we shall be putting the following measures in place for this year:

ALL cards must be brought into school on Monday 14th December.

They will all be given out the following Thursday.



### Nativity

Plans are in place to stage a modern day retelling of the nativity story at Soulton Hall on Saturday 19th December at 3.30 pm.

The play will be performed outside using the amphitheatre and adjoining fields. The company producing the play are still looking for actors and people to support. If you are interested in finding out more then please contact Deborah on 07954 338902

### Shropshire Larder - a new resource for people in Shropshire.

Take a look at their website for further information on the following:

- How to access emergency food
- Where to access low cost or free food in Shropshire
- Advice on eating well on a budget
- Where to get local help with money issues

<https://www.shropshirelarder.org.uk/>



### Quiz

Thank you for submitting your entries.

Please find attached the quiz for this week and the answers to last week's. To enter the quiz, email your answers to: [head@whixall.shropshire.sch.uk](mailto:head@whixall.shropshire.sch.uk) by Friday 4th December.

Thank you.

Please find attached details for the on-line Christingle Service. If you wish to pre order a kit and Mrs Hodges does not answer the telephone please leave a message.

### Child absence

Can we please remind you to ring school by 9.30am if your child is unwell. If leaving a message can you please provide the exact reason why your child is off.