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Dear Parents and carers,

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I hope this newsletter finds you as well as can be expected in the current situation. Once again thank you for supporting the school and following the school systems, so far these have remained safe and effective, long may they continue to do so.

Many thanks to the parents and carers who have completed the school survey on the 'new' systems adopted by the school during lockdown and on our return. The school is always looking for feedback and ways to improve, so please complete the survey as this will help the school refine and develop its systems. To date we have had over 70 responses, we will close the survey Wednesday 2nd December so please complete the survey before then. Diolch

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Christmas Plans

I wish to reassure you as parents and carers that the school has plans to celebrate Christmas in a Covid-safe way, without wanting to give much away as we would like to surprise the children. We will place our Christmas tree outside this year, Hean Castle Estate kindly donate the Christmas tree every year and this year we have no ceiling, so the sky's the limit! Sandyhill nursery is also kindly supplying some outdoor decorations and lights. The school would like to thank Hean Castle Estate and Sandyhill Nursery for their generosity.

Christmas cards - we feel this year more than ever a Christmas card will be more important than ever. The school will be allowing the exchange of Christmas cards; however, we need to keep this safe. ALL cards will need the pupils name and year group on the envelope, these cards will be placed in a 'post box' outside your child's class. They will be left for a 3-day period before being sorted by staff/pupils wearing gloves and masks then handed out to pupils. Pupils name and year group will be vital in making this system successful.

Christmas Celebrations – We plan to share a Christmas film with families, Christmas carols, readings and various scenes. We have investigated numerous methods, and this is the safest option, sadly singing requires three metre distancing, all facing the same way and outdoors – not conducive to good sound quality when recording for a digital film. Further information will follow on this, but staff have already made plans.

Panto - Covid has scuppered plans for schools to go to the panto this year, so this year, the panto is coming to us in the form of an online panto which will allow the whole school to watch in their bubbles, an hour of traditional panto fun. There will also be refreshments provided for each pupil – Juice drink, popcorn, Haribo or chocolate, **please let your class teacher know via Dojo if your child has any food allergies**. This is all being provided by FOSS and Covid regulations will be strictly followed.

Christmas Dinner – Wednesday 9th December, all pupils are invited to wear Christmas Jumpers. Christmas dinner this year will be slightly different to previous years, nevertheless, staff are planning several events/activities. All Christmas craft and makes by the children will be their own work. This work

will face some form of quarantine before being sent home. If parents have any concerns or questions, please contact your child's class teacher.

We are aware of a number of news outlets referencing a possible 'on line learning' week before Christmas, this is pure speculation at this stage. I attend a number of meeting weekly with colleagues and LEA representatives and SHOULD any decision be made you will be informed immediately. Our view within school is that we have a number of Christmas activities planned that week, which all add to the magic of Christmas and so we feel it best to have children in school. However, any decision made will be at regional and national government level.

Please see attached Dates list

Date	Event
Wednesday 9 th December	Christmas Dinner day - Christmas jumpers
Friday 11 th December	Save the children Christmas jumper day
Friday 18 th December	Pupils break up Christmas jumpers can be worn
Monday 21 st Dec-1 st January	Christmas Holiday
Monday 4 th January	Inset day
Tuesday 5 th January	Pupils return to school
Wednesday 27 th January	Inset day
15 th – 19 th Feb	Half term
29 th March-9 th April	Easter Holiday
Monday 12 th April	Inset day

Stay safe.

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