

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 3rd December 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to our new look newsletter! Thank you to Mrs Mattick and Miss Hughes for the updated design. We welcome your feedback and anything else you think would be useful to include.

Well done to Galapagos class who had their final swimming lesson on Tuesday. They have made so much improvement in a short space of time and they should be extremely proud of themselves. Thank you to all staff who accompanied them weekly, and to the Heights instructors and lifeguards for supporting the children.

Covid updates

I am sure you have heard a lot in the news recently about the new Covid variant, Omicron. We have been issued new guidelines by the government in which all adults must wear face coverings in all corridor and communal areas, as well as when we see parents/carers outside. We now need to ask you as parents and carers to please wear a face covering when dropping off and collecting children and when you come into the office, this is to keep everyone safe. I am sure that you are aware if a case of Omicron is detected within the school, the rules are different - if you or your child are informed by NHS Test and Trace or the local health protection team that your child has been in close contact with a suspected or confirmed case of the Omicron variant of coronavirus, your child must self-isolate for 10 days, regardless of age or vaccination status, and follow any instructions given to them at the time of your notification. Remember our Covid email address – covid@bradingcepri.iow.sch.uk – which you can use to notify us of any possible cases or symptoms in your family. All we are trying to do on a daily basis is to keep everybody as safe as we possibly can, and as a TEAM that TRUST each other I'm sure we can do it together. Thank you for your continued support and we will keep you updated if there are any further changes.

Christmas activities

Thank you to everyone who donated to the lucky dip prizes, next week is a mufti day for the chocolate tombola.

Following on from the new guidelines, we have made the decision to stream the Early Years and Key Stage 1 performances. Invites will be sent out via teams and the times will be:

EYFS – 9:30am

Key Stage 1 – 1:00pm

If you would like to attend virtually, please email the office on admin@bradingcepri.iow.sch.uk by Friday 10th December. Both of these performances, parents/carers and other relatives will need to make sure that cameras and microphones are turned off, and no recordings will take place.

The school Christmas Market will take place in the courtyard. Each class will be given a time where parents/carers can come and take them around these areas and you can take your child home afterwards if you wish. We are still finalising the times and will let you know these in next week's newsletter.

Have a great weekend – only 22 days until Christmas day!

Mrs Gilbert.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 10th December

Mufti day for Chocolate Tombola prizes

Wednesday 15th December

EYFS Nativity / KS1 Production online stream

EYFS – 9:30am

Key Stage 1 – 1:00pm

Friday 17th December

Mufti day for cakes

Christmas market (times tbc)

Monday 20th December

Christmas Dinner

Tuesday 21st December

Christmas jumper mufti day

Party day & party lunch

Break up for Christmas Holidays



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Reflection Questions

Getting Started: When do you find it easier or more difficult to work with others in a positive way?

Intermediate: Have you contributed to the group decision making?

Advanced: How can you encourage others to contribute?

Mastery: What is an unhelpful conflict? How can you avoid this?

As a household discuss the chores that need to be done this week. As a team make sure everyone has a task they can help with. Then crack on and do your job! Celebrate as a team together when all the chores are done by doing something fun together.

Lunch Menu – week commencing 6th December 2021

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main	Macaroni Cheese	Garlic Chicken & Potatoes	Roast Pork & Roast Potatoes	Beef Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Pasta	Fish Fingers
Vegetarian	Veggie Sausage & Mash	Cheesy Risotto Bake	Butternut Squash & Potato Pastry Slice	Veggie Lasagne	Soft Taco
Served with	Peas Carrots	Sweetcorn Broccoli	Carrots Cabbage	Green Beans Sweetcorn	Chips Beans Peas
Dessert	Oaty Biscuit with Fruit Slices	Apple & Carrot Yoghurt Muffin	Strawberry Ice Cream	Chocolate Sponge Cake	Creamy Peach Rice Pudding



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MAINS

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Roast Turkey with a Mini Pork Sausage
or
Roasted Vegetable & Cranberry Slice (v)
Served with Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Broccoli, Stuffing and Gravy

DESSERTS

Festive Chocolate Orange Brownie
or
Fruit Salad

DON'T FORGET! SCHOOL MEALS ARE FREE FOR ALL PUPILS IN RECEPTION, YEAR 1 OR YEAR 2.

PLEASE SPEAK TO YOUR SCHOOL FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO SIGN UP TODAY!

REMINDER

Christmas dinner will be available to pre-order on SchoolMoney from Monday 6th December. Please make sure you place your child's order otherwise they will miss out! Please be reminded that school sandwiches, pasta or jacket potatoes will not be available to order on this day, you will have to provide your child with a home packed lunch.

THIS WEEK AT BRADING...

This week in Galapagos Class, we have had a RE day learning all about Mary. The children did not think she was talked about much in Jesus' life so we have learned all about her role! In science this week, the children have been conducting an experiment to find out what happens to teeth if we drink too many sugary drinks. They have been using their investigative skills to ask a lot of scientific questions. Well done to our swimmers for their certificates. Finally, the children have been completing their 50 laps in 5 days for Ability Dogs for Young People.



Christmas Tree Festival



Here is a snippet of our beautiful tree on display at St Marys Church for their Christmas Tree festival. An AMAZING well done to all the children for their hard work and effort in making their decorations so that our tree looks extra special. Mrs Cooney and Mr Earley did a fabulous job of decorating the tree – thank you both! The Christmas Tree Festival is running all weekend at the church so if you would like to take a closer look please do go along.

Eli's joke corner

How do tree's get
on the internet?

They log on!

THIS WEEK AT BRADING...



Our Christmas post box will be in the lobby area from Monday. If your child is wishing to send Christmas cards to their classmates, friends and staff, can you please ensure all cards are placed into the post box and not handed out directly. This is so our Brading elves can deliver the cards during the school day. Thank you!



We are enjoying using Purple Mash both inside and outside of the school. The children use their weekly computing lessons to learn new skills which are developed yearly. In February, the whole school will be participating in an internet safety day which will be a fun day and will help to keep all of the children safe online.



Thrive's Kindness Advent Calendar

Spread a little joy this Christmas by trying a different act of kindness each day!

<p>1</p> <p>Make someone a homemade gift</p> 	<p>2</p> <p>Teach someone a new skill</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Make a card for someone special</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Offer to help someone with a task</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Donate an item to a food bank</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Compliment someone</p> 
<p>7</p> <p>Do something that makes you happy</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Do something kind for the environment</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Make someone laugh with a silly joke</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Make a decoration for a friend or relative</p> 	<p>11</p> <p>Donate an item to charity</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Let someone know how much you appreciate them</p>
<p>13</p> <p>Surprise someone by doing something kind</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Write a thank you note to someone who has helped you</p> 	<p>15</p> <p>Think of 3 things you're grateful for</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Call or message someone you've not spoken to for a while</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Arrange a festive sensory treasure hunt with friends</p> 	<p>18</p> <p>Leave a happy note or drawing for someone to find</p> 
<p>19</p> <p>Make a jar of joy</p> 	<p>20</p> <p>Do a secret act of kindness for someone</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Recommend a book or Christmas film to a friend</p> 	<p>22</p> <p>Take a break from your digital devices</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Think of 3 things you like about yourself</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Plan an act of kindness for the new year</p>