



20th November 2020

Dear Parents / Carers

Christmas

It seems that we can put it off no longer and with only 35 sleeps until the big day I think I have permission to talk about Christmas. It will be anyone's guess what we will be allowed to do for the actual day but we do know that it will be very different in school.

However different doesn't have to mean worse and the staff are putting their heads together to come up with activities and treats that all the pupils can enjoy, within the safety of their own bubbles.

We won't be able to invite you all in for nativities or carols at Budleigh church but there will be lots to enjoy. Look out for information in the next newsletters.

One activity we are getting stuck into is Operation Christmas Child; the shoe box appeal. You will have received information about this previously but remember the deadline for donations is Friday December 4th.

Items that CANNOT be accepted in boxes are:

Used or damaged items, war related items (toy guns, knives, military figures), seeds, sweets, toothpaste, lotions or liquids including bubbles, medicines, playing cards of the 4 suit variety, religious or political literature, sharp or fragile items, books with mainly words.

Mill Water steps up for Children in Need

Pupils went dotty over all the BBC Children in Need fun and games in school last week, while raising hundreds of pounds for the charity.

We had a sponsored disco, fancy dress, bike ride, woodland walk, bounce and obstacle course. And this was topped off with a massive sponsored bake. Spot the poor teacher who was forced (with an arm twisted) to taste all the delicious treats! Well done to Class 9 who won the bake-off competition, using apples from our very own orchard to bake their flapjacks.

We shall be counting all the pennies and will announce the grand total raised next week. Please send in any outstanding money that your child has raised by Friday.

Pudsey says a big **THANK YOU!!!**





Bullying

Class 12 were talking about bullying in their work this week. David was really impressed with what they came up with.

Bullying is when...

"you make someone feel lonely and sad"
Harry

"more than one person picks on a single person"
Callum

"someone attacks you in person or online - cyber bullying"
Callum

"people call you names you don't like"
Lucy

"people push and shove you and you tell them to stop"
Libby

"something happens again and again"
Wilfie

"people are excluded from a game"
Charlie

"you gang up on someone"
Charlie

"someone winds you up all the time"
Libby

"it's unkind"
Annabelle

"you make someone feel lonely and sad"
Harry

"people bully you physically and mentally"
Callum

We all have a part to play
this **Anti-Bullying Week**.
What will yours be?

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#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK
16th – 20th November 2020

SIGNPOSTING...

Check out Devon's youth support at Space. It runs online sessions for young SEN people, plus has loads of digital resources for this current time
<https://spacepsm.org>



Equine facilitated learning allows you to interact in a world where you are not judged by your behaviour, emotions or characteristics. See Anna's horse therapy website
<https://hoofandheart.com>

Dates for your diary

What	When	Time	Where
Occasional Day	Friday 27 th November 2020	All day	
Occasional Day	Monday 30 th November 2020	All day	
Virtual coffee morning for new parents	Friday 4 th December	10.00am	Online
Christmas lunch	Wednesday 16 th December	Lunchtime	School
Last day of term	Friday 18 th December 2020	2.15 pm	