



Extra Mr Yandell's News



The closure of the Seedling and Sapling bubbles yesterday means we have a very quiet school today with less than half the children in their classrooms learning. I know it has also meant a major disruption for many of you at home, now juggling work and home schooling. Please do contact us if there is any support that we can give you at this time to make the next two weeks easier.

Mrs. Nicholson, Mrs. Wilson and Mr. Baker are on hand to support with work and can be contacted via the SeeSaw APP or via the class emails, which we have reopened for the next two weeks. Me, Mr. McHale and Mrs. Moss are available on the phone, email and Facebook if you have any other queries or need support in other areas. We have set a full days learning each day on SeeSaw for the classes but do understand that it may not be possible to complete everything every day. Please prioritise English and Maths and then do as many of the other tasks as you can. Different families will have different circumstances and we understand that you are all balancing different pressures at the moment so please do not worry and keep in touch if you are struggling with anything.

The children will be back in school on Tuesday of the last week of term. This means lots of our Christmas plans are having to be tweaked or amended slightly to make them work. Please read below to see all the details of what is happening and any changes you need to know about.

Friday 4th December - Dress Down Day

This was originally planned to bring in donations for the PFA chocolate tombola. This tombola will now not be taking place. However, children can still come to school in non-uniform tomorrow and instead of a chocolate treat for the tombola, we would like any donations of food to give into our local food bank in Sileby. Anything you have spare will be welcomed as a donation and we will deliver the donation to the food bank from school next week.

Friday 11th December - Christmas Jumper Day

This will still go ahead in school and we would love the children at home to wear their Christmas jumpers too. On the day, we would like children at home to send in pictures of themselves in their jumpers via the school email or Facebook page.



Virtual Pantomime

The PFA have kindly paid for all the children to view a live pantomime remotely from their classrooms. This will still go ahead in the last week of term.



Christmas Parties

The PFA have organised Christmas parties to happen in the last week of term and these will still go ahead. They are asking for a donation of £2.50 towards the cost of these parties as children will receive food, gifts and prizes. Some of you have already paid for this by sending money into school. We have now set up a remote payment for this on Parent Pay so that you can pay without sending cash or leaving the house. Please do use this option if you have not yet sent money into school.

The dates of each class party are shown below and children may come to school dressed in their party clothes on the date of their class party.

Acorns	-	Monday, 14 th December
Seedlings	-	Thursday, 17 th December
Saplings	-	Friday, 18 th December
Oaks	-	Tuesday, 15 th December

Wednesday, 16th December - Christmas Dinner



The School Christmas Dinner on 16th December will still go ahead. You had a form on Monday to place orders for what children would like to eat for their meal. Selections can now be sent in via email for those children not in school. Please send these to admin@cossington.leics.sch.uk and not the class emails.

Wednesday 16th December at 6:30 p.m. - Christmas Family Quiz

Me and Mr. McHale are busy preparing a fun family quiz for everyone to join over Zoom on the date above. We would love for as many teams as possible to sign up so please do recommend the event to grandparents too. There will be three big prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place teams detailed on the night.

The cost to enter is £5 per team and you can enter by sending your money in an envelope to school by 11th December in a named envelope or alternately we have set up a payment option for you to pay for a ticket via parent pay. Details of the zoom code to join us on the night and answer sheets will be sent out on Monday, 14th December.

Please do join us if you can as we would love for this to be a big whole school event!

Friday 18th December - Christmas Video

We are still intending to put together a Christmas video of the children for our last assembly of the term. Children who are at home will be asked by their teachers to contribute remotely over the next week or so. The video will be shown over Zoom at 1:30 p.m. on the date above and we will send out a Zoom link to all parents who wish to join us remotely to watch the festive video. Please look out for the link in the last week of term.

Hopefully all of the above will help you keep organised as we approach the end of term and I am really looking forward to the new and exciting events we have planned as an alternative to our usual festivities. Please do get in touch if you have any questions.

Matt Yandell