



Newsletter

December 2020



Dear families and friends,

I cannot believe it's December. We have had lots of excited children this morning talking calendars and naughty elves!

We will be allowing Christmas cards into school this year, but only in your child's year group pod please.

Staffing: (Nelson)

We are sadly saying Goodbye to some of our staff at the end of this term. Sophia in Y1, Mel in YR, Steph in Y2 and Sue and Marie our swimming teachers.

We are also welcoming Tasha Read into YR and Catherine Lincoln back into Y1 following her treatment.

Christmas:

Friday 11th December is our annual Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day. You have already received information on this or you can look on our website. Please do not send any money into school—any donations to be made online.

Things will look a little different this year in the run up to Christmas as we are at Tier 2 and cannot invite parents in. We will share information with you on SeeSaw for individual year groups.

We will also have a few treats in class on the final week of term so children can have some magic and sparkle at the end of this difficult year...

Best wishes,

Victoria McConnell

Wensum Science Share 2020!

We've rebranded our annual celebration of science in the light of current Covid restrictions. Unable to invite families into school or even to allow children to see each other's work, we will be going online this year, sharing our work via specially created content on the school website. This year our projects have been inspired by some of the priorities in the Norwich 2040 City Vision with children carrying out important science work as they seek solutions to some of the biggest issues facing us today. Mental and physical wellbeing; promoting biodiversity; reducing waste; and tackling the energy crisis, year teams have been tasked with coming up with solutions. Find out more by following the year team blogs which you can access via the link on our website homepage. Their solutions will go live at the end of term so we can all share together the amazing work safely.

We are in Tier 2: High alert

This is for areas with a higher or rapidly rising level of infections, where some additional restrictions need to be in place.

- you must not socialise with anyone you do not live with or who is not in your support bubble in any indoor setting, whether at home or in a public place
- you must not socialise in a group of more than 6 people outside, including in a garden or a public space – this is called the ‘rule of 6’
- public attendance at outdoor and indoor events (performances and shows) is permitted, limited to whichever is lower: 50% capacity, or either 2,000 people outdoors or 1,000 people indoors
- public attendance at spectator sport and business events can resume inside and outside, subject to [social contact rules](#) and limited to whichever is lower: 50% capacity, or either 2,000 people outdoors or 1,000 people indoors
- places of worship remain open but you must not socialise with people from outside of your household or support bubble while you are indoors there, unless a legal exemption applies
- weddings and funerals can go ahead with restrictions on numbers of attendees – 15 people can attend wedding ceremonies and receptions, 30 people can attend funeral ceremonies, and 15 people can attend linked commemorative events such as wakes or stonessettings.
- organised outdoor sport, and physical activity and exercise classes can continue
- organised indoor sport, physical activity and exercise classes will only be permitted if it is possible for people to avoid mixing with people they do not live with (or share a support bubble with). There are exceptions for indoor disability sport, sport for educational purposes and supervised sport and physical activity for under-18s, which can take place with larger groups mixing
- you can continue to travel to venues or amenities which are open, but should aim to reduce the number of journeys you make where possible
- if you live in a tier 2 area, you must continue to follow tier 2 rules when you travel to a tier 1 area. Avoid travel to or overnight stays in tier 3 areas other than where necessary, such as for work, education, youth services, to receive medical treatment, or because of caring responsibilities. You can travel through a tier 3 area as a part of a longer journey

Diary Dates:

Wb 7th December—Parent Teacher phone calls:	11th December—Christmas lunch and jumper day.
Sycamore—Mon 7th Dec	Friday 18th December—last day of Autumn term.
Hazel & Cherry—Tues 8th Dec	
Beech & Silver Birch—Wed 9th Dec	
Orchard—Wed 9th Dec	
Rowan & Silver Birch—Thurs 10th Dec	Monday 4th January—first day of Spring term.

