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## 2020-21 Issue 2 Autumn 2020

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Messages from school, important dates so far this term and events coming up. Please find below some dates that may be of interest to you in the run up to Christmas.

## School Diary

Date	Time	Event
Wednesday 18th November	9am onwards	Individual school photos <b>Due to COVID restrictions no family group photos can be taken</b>
Friday 27th November	1pm onwards	Flu nasal sprays for those who signed and returned their consent forms
Wednesday 9th December	Morning Afternoon	Filming of Christmas productions Filming of Christmas crafts
Monday 14th December	1pm onwards	Class 2 Christmas Party Children to arrive at school in party clothes
Tuesday 15th December	1pm onwards	Class 1 Christmas Party Children to arrive at school in party clothes
Wednesday 16th December	All day	Christmas jumper day
Wednesday 16th December	12pm	Whole school Christmas lunch—within our bubbles
Thursday 17th December	1pm	Class 3 Christmas Party Children to arrive at school in party clothes
Friday 18th December	1pm	Class 4 Christmas Party Children to arrive at school in party clothes
Friday 18th December	3.05/3.15pm	Break up for Christmas Children return on <b>Monday 4th January 2021</b>



## Starting Reception Class in 2021

### Important message for Nursery Parents



Do you have a child who will be 5 on or between **1 September 2021 and 31st August 2022**?

If so, you need to complete an online application for a school place so that your child can start school in 2021. A place in our Nursery does not guarantee a school place. You can apply online at [www.durham.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.durham.gov.uk/schooladmissions) If you can not access the website please call the School Admissions team on 03000 265 896  
**Deadline for applications for a Primary School Place is midnight on 15 January 2021**

## Absences

You **MUST** telephone the school office 01207 520 243 to report a school absence. Please make sure you let us know why your child is absent from school. If it is COVID related we need to know if they are symptomatic, awaiting a test or a test result or if someone else in the household is symptomatic. It is **REALLY** important that you share this information with us as soon as possible.



If you or your child develop any of the following symptoms you **MUST** arrange a COVID-19 test.

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back or have a temperature of more than 37.8 degrees Celsius
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different from normal

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms.

If your child has a runny nose or a sore throat and **DOES NOT** have any of the symptoms above they can attend school.

If you need a test please visit:

<https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

You might find the following link helpful too

<https://111.nhs.uk/covid-19>



## Christmas Celebrations



Christmas activities will be a little different this year. We are really excited to be having Adam Chetter back in school to film our Christmas productions and Christmas crafts;

KS1 will be performing '**A King is Born**'

KS2 will be performing '**Baubles**'

Staff and children are working hard behind the scenes to make this a wonderful celebration during these out-of-the-ordinary times. More details to follow on our Christmas celebrations.

