

# What is Going On at Warstones!



## WE ARE GETTING READY FOR CHRISTMAS!!!



We may be in Tier 3 but we can still have a good time!

### Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December

This will be a £1.00 donation for Save the Children if you can.

### Christmas Lunch 9<sup>th</sup> December

We are looking forward to all having our Christmas dinner—thank you for sending in your orders.

### Christmas celebrations within school

Unfortunately, we won't be able to have a traditional Christmas party but we don't want the children to miss out! Instead, we will be having a Christmas themed afternoon on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December. Children can wear festive clothes to school and we will provide Covid-safe refreshments—crisps, cake and biscuits. Please e mail the relevant keystage if you have any allergy concerns with this. TW and Nursery will have their Christmas afternoon on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December. We will, hopefully, be able to have an end of year party in 2021!

### Christmas post

Please can we ask that any Christmas cards are sent in to be posted on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday which will enable us to quarantine the post and deliver the following Monday to children. Please do not send in any during the last week as they will not be able to be delivered.

### Nativities

KSI will still be able to perform a Christmas play for you this year! KSI parents will receive a link to the performance in the last week of term. If possible, could you please send in the children's Christmas jumpers on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December, as they will be wearing these in the performance. These will be sent home on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> so the children can wear them into school for Christmas jumper day on the Friday.

Early Years nativity will be sent out on Tapestry as per the letter you have signed. TW and Nursery will need Christmas jumpers for the recording.

-Monday 7<sup>th</sup> for children who are in afternoon Nursery/TW and who are 30 hours.

-Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> for children who are in morning Nursery/TW and who are 30 hours.



This week we have said goodbye to Miss Cain, one of our wonderful Communication Support Workers. Miss Cain is taking up a post at the University and we are so excited for her. But we will miss her smile, enthusiasm and positivity and thank her for the skill and expertise she has shared. She leaves knowing she was one of the initial team that have created a fantastic Deaf Base here at school and we are so grateful to her.

We look forward to welcoming Mr David Sherry to our school, who will take up the post now vacant in the Spring term. He comes to us with a wealth of experience working with deaf children across primary and secondary and we are excited to see all the gifts he will be able to bring to our school.



*If any member of your household has symptoms of the virus you must not enter the school site. By law, that person must self isolate for 10 days from the start of symptoms, if there have been no symptoms but a positive test result you should isolate for 10 days from the result. You may return to school on day 11 if there has not been a high temperature for 48 hours and that person has been well. Others in the household should self isolate for 14 days from the positive persons symptoms starting or if someone begins with symptoms during this time, they should isolate for a further 10 days from the onset of these.*

## ***Can we make it to the holidays.....***

At the time of writing we still have not sent a year group home. Thank you to everyone for your efforts.

A gentle reminder on some points that are easy to forget and make a huge difference to us being able to hold the virus at bay in school:

**Please do not arrive before your child's time to enter and queue outside school.** The number of people waiting is increasing. If you arrive just after the start time, your child can just walk in. More children are arriving too late. It is so important that they are on time to stay in their bubbles. Staff are having to risk breaking bubbles if they have to take children in to classes late.

**Please wear a facemask when you enter school grounds.**

**Please keep your children next to you when on school grounds,** do not let them run around and into other family bubbles. Keep a social distance between your household groups and others.

**Please can only 1 person walk around school to collect children.**

Please do try and get medical appointments out of school hours or ask for them to be moved to a school holiday when it is sent to you. If your child does have an appointment that you cannot change, then they **can not return to school after the appointment** and preferably should not come into school at all on that day. All staff are in their own bubbles so it is difficult to arrange for young children to be escorted to the door to be collected.

**A big thank you once again to the staff for all their efforts at school and at home ensuring they do not put your children and their own families at risk and enabling us to keep school running as close to normal as possible.**

Mrs Bayliss is holding a Virtual SEND parents meeting on Wednesday 9th December at 1.30pm. It will be a chance to find out about the different strategies used at school and answer any questions. She will also arrange a 1 to 1 follow up session to answer any personal needs and questions about your child. Look out for the letter with a slip to return if you are interested.

She is also sending out a leaflet giving ideas to how best support your child at the end of the school day. This can be a difficult time for many as they move from the bustle of school classroom to the smaller, quieter time at home. We hope you find it useful.



*Well done to our intrepid Book Quiz team who just missed out after a tie breaker round to reach the final.*

*They did the school proud with their brilliant efforts at reading all the books covered. Fabulous work Amalia, Alice, Grace, Toby, Daniel and Rishi!*

As the weather is getting colder, we will be seeing lots of colourful hats and gloves! Please can I remind you to put names on them all so we can reunite any lost items with their owners!



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