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Learning and Growing Together

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Christmas message

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are aware, we break up for the Christmas holidays today after what has been quite an extraordinary year. Enduring 2 lockdowns, being in different Tiers, schools being shut and then open again, and various Bubbles being sent home to isolate.....it's been quite a rollercoaster for us all!

I know we have had families affected by the impact of COVID-19 across school and I wish to extend my sympathies to those who have suffered loss, been ill themselves or have had to isolate at any point during this year.

What has kept us together as a school community however is the love, support, understanding and patience we have all shown for each other here at Park View. I thank you very much for this! The staff have worked tirelessly this year in order to maintain the high standards of teaching and learning during what have been very challenging and exceptional circumstances. I know you will join me in thanking them very much for their hard work and dedication.

This year, we have had to 'think outside the box' for alternative ways of working whilst we are unable to invite parents into school. The Friday Bubble assemblies for example have worked well and I hope you have enjoyed receiving the photos of your child when they have been presented with their certificate! Our annual Christmas productions have had to happen differently this year too, but I do hope you have enjoyed watching our 'Christmas Showcases' from each class/cohort. The children have thoroughly enjoyed producing these for you and your family to share! Our EYFS nativity showcase is available on Tapestry and our Y1 – Y6 showcases can be found on our website for you to enjoy!

It is also important for me to share with you that the Department for Education has implemented the following information and relevant arrangements regarding any positive COVID-19 cases during the holidays:



If a pupil tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, the school is asked to assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school.

Where a pupil tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, the school should not be contacted. Parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.

School staff will not be on-call or conduct any contact tracing more than 6 days after the final day of teaching.

Where pupils are required to self-isolate due to contact with a positive case after the first 6 days following the end of term, schools do not need to be informed about their absence until the first day of the new term in January.

If you need to contact school regarding any positive COVID-19 results within the timeframe provided by the Department for Education, then please use the school email service to inform us: absence@parkviewprimary.com. This will be checked regularly.

Despite this time of year feeling very different for us all, I do wish you a very Merry Christmas and a peaceful New Year. I hope that you get to spend some time with your families over the Christmas period, and we will look forward to welcoming all our children back on Wednesday 6th January 2021.

Warmest wishes,

Mrs Udall
Head of School

