

New Cangle Community Primary School

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Friday 3rd December 2021,

Dear parents and carers,

Covid Update

We are currently aware of 1 covid case in school, as of yesterday. Thank you to all parents who are continuing to do lateral flow tests. In school the following measures are in place until the end of term:

- Staff wearing face masks in communal areas
- Essential visitors only
- All on-site visitors to wear face masks
- Staff twice weekly lateral flow testing
- Ventilation in classes
- Handwashing and hand gel
- No indoor communal events such as assemblies, clubs and school lunchtime library



Extra Layers

As mentioned above, we are making sure the classrooms are well ventilated by keeping windows open. The temperature of the classrooms is monitored by staff but children are welcome to wear extra layers in school to keep them warm such as base layers or vests.

Extra Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday 2022

During 2022 there will be an extra bank holiday to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, on Friday 3rd June. As this Bank Holiday already falls within half-term, school staff are legally entitled to a holiday another day. Following consultation with neighbouring schools, this day will be taking place on Thursday 21st July and Wednesday 20th July will now become a PD Day (this was previously on 21st July). This means the school year will finish for pupils on Tuesday 19th July 2022.



Class Dojo +Plus

We have become aware that parents are being offered the option to upgrade to a paid for premium version of Class Dojo. This version gives parents added features, compared to the free version. However, most of these features are not going to be useful as we do not use the behaviour points system of Class Dojo. Parents already have access to previous year's memories as we simply change class names each year. Therefore, we strongly recommend parents don't waste their money paying for features that won't be used.

Friends of the Cangle

The Friends of the Cangle Annual General Meeting took place on 24th November and happily, all Friends committee positions were filled, which means the organisation can continue to run. Thank you so much to all parents/carers who have come forward to be part of the committee or to volunteer at events. At the

next meeting in January, the Friends will be discussing possible events during the year that could take place. If you are interested in joining the discussion, please email friendsofthecangle@gmail.com

Lost Property and Second Hand Uniform

We currently have a lot of lost property in school in our lost property box. This box is located near the school office so please feel free to have a rummage through if you are missing an item. We do try to reunite all NAMED property with its owner. After Christmas we will be starting a Second Hand Uniform shop in school, where parents can purchase Second Hand Uniform for a small donation. At the end of each term, any uniform that is of good quality and is UN-NAMED will be removed from the lost property box, washed, and will be available to buy for a small donation through the Second Hand Uniform Shop. All proceeds of uniform sales will go to charity. If any parents would like to donate any good quality, clean uniform for the shop we would be happy to receive it.

Haverhill Family Christmas Night – Friday 3rd December – tonight!

Suzanne from Get Suffolk Reading will be in Queens Street on Friday evening, introducing families to the Haverhill Christmas trail, which is running throughout December. Themed around this year's pantomime Jack and the Beanstalk, the trail is a free event for families to enjoy with wonderful prizes on offer. Suzanne and the team will help you get started and families can also pick up free books, while stocks last! She'll be in the market on Saturday too. More information about the trail can be found on their website: https://literacytrust.org.uk/communities/suffolk/for-families/haverhill-christmas-trail/ or just pick up the trail map from Haverhill Library or Haverhill Arts Centre and you're good to go!

Christmas events and dates

The following Christmas events will be taking place during the last week of term:

- Wednesday 15th December Christmas Dinner Day
- Friday 17th December Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day suggested donation £1 – a payment will be available on Gateway
- During the last week, all classes will be watching a virtual performance of Jack
 and the Beanstalk by Musical Theatre Academy. This activity has been paid for by the school.

If you have any questions about any of the contents of this newsletter, or in general, please do not hesitate to contact me, either in person before school, or by Class Dojo, email or a phone call.

Christmas Jumper

Day

Yours faithfully,

J. Brading

Headteacher