



## Newsletter 17th December 2020

Dear Parents,

We all hope the children have enjoyed the different end to term. Thanks again to Sarah Wilson and her team for their big contribution to a number of the events and also to Mrs Davies for her amazing work putting together the video of the bubble Christmas carol service.

After an incredibly challenging year, have an excellent Christmas holiday, and we look forward to seeing everyone back safe and well in 2021.



# ATTENDANCE MATTERS

every school day counts.

Last week's attendance was: 98.52%  
(excluding self-isolation)

Year R and Year 2 achieved 100% attendance

Attendance year to date is 97.33%



Birthdays w/c 12th December  
Thomas age 5 and Kodey age 10

In the holidays  
Harry and Penelope age 5, Scarlett age 6, Hugo age 7, Emily and Aiesha age 11



Gold book winners from  
Friday 11th December

**Owlets** - everyone for working well all term  
**Snowy Owls** - Hallie and Jayden and everyone for their puppets  
**Barn Owls** - William, Josh, Grace B & Thomas  
**Eagle Owls** - Sam, Aiesha, Annabel & Oliver

Christmas Hamper Raffle Winners  
2 - Lucy Fisher  
147 - Jane Tarry  
183 - Louise Deacon  
227 - Dawn Whitbourn



N.B. These dates/times could be subject to change.

Thursday 17th December - Cinderella virtual pantomime

Friday 18th December - Bubble Christmas fun days & pizza lunch provided by The Friends

**Christmas Holidays**  
Mon 21st Dec- Fri 1st Jan 2021

**February Half Term**  
Mon 15th - Fri 19th February 2021

Monday 8th March - school photos (provisional)

**Easter Holidays**  
Mon 29th March - Fri 9th April 2021

Bank Holiday 3rd May 2021

**May Half Term**  
Mon 31st May - Fri 4th June 2021

Thursday 18th June - Eagle Owls dance showcase  
4 - 7p.m at St Andrews Hall, Norwich

**Summer Holidays commence**  
Thurs 22nd July 2021



Thank you to everyone for continuing to wear face coverings on the playground at drop off and pick up times.

Please also continue to minimise the amount of time spent waiting on the playground by not arriving too early, and spacing out as much as possible.

We do regularly review all of our arrangements in school, hopefully next year will eventually bring a more normal situation for everyone.

Yours faithfully,

Mr A Pritchard  
Headteacher

## Winter Challenges

This year has been an unusual one for all of us and we have had to adapt to a new way of life through the pandemic. We want to know what you are grateful for during these times. Think of as many things as you can that you are grateful for right now and present it either in a poster, video, collage or letter.

1 credit

Puzzle Time - Write down "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year" and see how many words you can find hidden in this sentence.

1 credit



Festive baking. Choose something to bake, write down all of the ingredients, work out what it is likely to cost, go shopping (with a guardian) for the ingredients and get baking.

2 credits

Go on a winter walk with your family and observe your surroundings. When you get home, either draw or write down what you saw. What wildlife did you see? What was the weather like? Did you see anything interesting?

2 credits





What is your favourite Christmas Song? Come up with an anagram or dingbat for your favourite song and see if your family can guess what it is? For example, "Let it Snow" could be "Tinsel Two" or you could draw a picture of some Holly and Ivy and the answer would of course be "The Holly and The Ivy"  
1 credit

Create a piece of winter craft using items from around the house and garden. This could be a wreath or a 3D collage using pinecones and tinsel. Get Creative.  
1 credit



Science snowman!  
Using items from around your home, make a snowman using science. This could be by creating shaving foam and corn-starch snow or by making snow with baking soda and water.  
1 credit

Make an igloo. We want to see your best igloo creations. Use your imagination to make an igloo. You could use ice cubes to make a tabletop igloo or empty milk cartons and cardboard to create a lifesize igloo. Get creative!  
1 credit





## Give yourself a present ... you deserve it!

Being a parent carer can mean that other parents don't always understand what life is like for you. Why not join other parent carers for coffee\* for an hour? [\*or whatever you fancy!]

- \* Share top tips for surviving Christmas
- \* Talk about your concerns with parents who really understand
- \* Celebrate what is going well for your family



There's no need to book as long as you are a parent carer of a child or young person with SEND – and it's fine if they want to say hello too! Just click on the link below when you are ready to join.



<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83006703755>

**Monday 21 December  
from 10:00 to 11:00am**



We want our coffee mornings to be a safe, friendly place for parent carers to spend time together. We know this works best when everyone knows what to expect. So it may help you to know that:

- We will aim to start and finish on time.
- The session will be recorded automatically. This recording will be kept securely and will not be viewed except in the unlikely event that a concern about the session is raised by someone present. It will be destroyed after two weeks.