

# The Kite Family of Schools

Our Mission: Together we inspire a lifelong love of learning which enables children to achieve more than they ever believed possible

December 2020

Autumn 2

#### **Dear Families**

The trees are up, the tinsel is out and today, with our Christmas jumpers on, it certainly felt festive. Thank you so much for your generosity supporting our Phyllis Tuckwell Reindeer Run. We have raised more than £1200 pounds for this very worthy charity! Go Team Fernhill...that's fantastic!

All the children in school have been busy learning their lines for our rendition of 'Twas the Night Before Christmas—I've been very impressed! We're looking forward to Christmas dinner on Wednesday. No need to pre-order this year. It will be possible to order lunch on the day.

While we can't go to the pantomime this year - the pantomime can come to us. Thanks to the PTA, all classes will be able to watch a virtual performance of Cinderella after lunch on Wednesday.

Thank you for your calendar orders. The deadline has now passed and it is not possible to make further orders. Calendars will be delivered by the end of next week. The last day of term is a festive mufti day and a chance to wear those Christmas jumpers again.

Wishing you all a happy and safe weekend, Nicky Slater Academy Head



#### **Track and Trace**

From the end of term, up to the 24th December 2020:

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19 they must get a test. If the test returns positive please email school at adminoffice@fernhill.kite.academy.

This will enable us to contact the children and adults who have been in contact with your child and who will need to self isolate. Thank you for your help and co-operation in keeping us all safe.

#### **End of Term**

You may have heard that the Department of Education has suggested schools close for an Inset Day on Friday, December 18th. We feel that this will be too short notice for many of our working families. Therefore, Friday 18th December school closes as planned at normal staggered times. (Yr 5&6 at 1pm, Yr 3&4 at 1.10pm, Yr R,1,2 at 1.15 pm)

Please note, there is no Friday afternoon provision on the 18th.

#### Email Addresses

adminoffice@ fernhill.kite.academy

**Our School Values:** 

COURAGE Confidence Curiosity Co-operation



We would like to remind parents that masks should be worn at drop off and collection times. Masks <u>must</u> be worn if you wish to speak to your child's class teacher. Thank you

If you feel you may need help or assistance from one of our Family Support Workers, the Kite Hub or access to a Food Bank, please call Kite Central Office on 01252 984930 or email adminoffice@ fernhill.kite.academy

# Diary

December 16th	 Christmas Lunch & (virtual) pantomime
Friday, 18th December	 Festive Mufti day and last day of term (half day closure) No afternoon care
January 4th	 1st day of Spring Term
Friday, February 12th	 Inset Day

#### School Uniform

It is important for the children to take pride in their appearance and for this reason we ask that you ensure your child is dressed in the correct school uniform. This includes school trousers, skirts, jumpers and cardigans. If this presents a problem, please speak to the school office. From January, we will be monitoring uniform and your help is much appreciated.



#### Christmas Dinner

The cost of Christmas dinner is £2.50 for all children in Years 3 to 6 who are not eligible for free school meals. If your child is having Christmas dinner on Wednesday, we ask that this is paid before Wednesday. Thank you

# **Thank you Lions Club**

Fleet and Farnborough Lions Club have now supplied more than 12 PCs or laptops to Fernhill families. This means children can access their home learning via SeeSaw or Tapestry (Yr R). If your child does not have access to a PC or laptop of

their home learning, please contact the school office.



### Home Learning

Class teachers set learning for all children to do at home via Seesaw or Tapestry for Year R. Your support in helping your child access and complete their learning is appreciated. Teachers check daily during the week to monitor access—please contact your child's teacher if you are having difficulties.

#### **Inset Days**

Our next planned Inset Day is Friday, February 12th

Free School Meals

If your child is entitled to free school meals (income dependent, not universal free school meals) and is self isolating, a food hamper can be delivered. Please call the school office for further information.