

Gilberdyke Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 18th December 2020



Dear Parents and Carers



Awesome Autumn Term!

Over the term we have achieved everything we wanted to and more! The children have returned to school, settled straight back in and flourished in their learning, making good progress towards catching up with the education that was lost due to closure. Staff are incredibly proud of how hard they work, how positive their attitudes are and how much they aspire to do their best.

Not having to close any classes or bubbles this term has been a remarkable achievement. As well as a lot of good luck, we have all played our part. Many, many thanks for your support with everything we have needed to implement to maintain safety for everyone. The children have adapted remarkably, taking all of the changes in their stride. Well done to you all for the part you have played. After Christmas, we will continue to open our doors between 8.45 and 9.00 am for years one to six and from 8.55 to 9.10am for foundation stage. The collection window at home-time will remain the same (3.15 to 3.30pm) for all year groups.

This Christmas time has been very different in school but equally as enjoyable. The children have come into their own – their kindness, generosity and appreciation that not everyone has had an easy time has shone.

Your kind words and thanks have been a tremendous support to staff over the last term and equally as humbling. We would all like to thank you for taking the time to email us with messages, send cards, smile and help us to know that we are in this together. It has been of huge comfort when things are so unfamiliar for everyone, in all aspects of their life.

Feature in the Goole Times

The amazing work our children have been so passionate about over the last few weeks in spreading Christmas cheer has been astounding, if a little emotional too! We are particularly humbled by their generosity and the kindness you have shown in supporting them. To celebrate this, the Goole Times will publish an article about our school on Wednesday 23rd December. Please buy a copy and share in the children's success.

COVID updates until Christmas Eve

It may still be the case that a member of the school community tests positive for COVID after we finish on Friday. I am still required to carry out exactly the same procedures in supporting public health England to identify potential contacts until Christmas Eve. If your child develops any of the three key coronavirus symptoms from anytime from Friday until Thursday 24th December please get them tested. If the result is positive then you must contact us via one of the following methods:

- Email: enquiries@gilberdykeprimary.co.uk
- Phone or text a message to the school mobile on: **07895330901**

Many thanks in advance.

Re-opening for the spring term

We will reopen to pupils on Tuesday 5th January 2021.

All that remains is to say is; “Happy Christmas From Us All”. Please take care, enjoy the time with family and we’ll see you in the new year.

With appreciation for our wonderful school community,

Melissa Shirley and all Staff