



*'Inspiring pupils to reach their full potential in our Christian
Family through
trust, respect and care for all.*

Our School value this half term is Courage



Benington C of E Primary School

Newsletter December 4th

Dear Parents/Carers,

Attendance

Attendance is still 98% across the school. This is great for this time of year. Thank you for your support in getting your children into school.

Christmas

Next week will be our nativity plays. FOBs are recording each play and will be making a DVD you can purchase. They are also taking photographs of the children in costume. These can also be purchased. Each class will have the opportunity to watch each performance. We can have an audience of up to two classes while still maintaining social distancing.

Christingle Service 17th December 4:00

We are hoping to have a family Christingle service after school on Thursday 17th December. The plan is that we will dismiss the children as usual and then families are invited to come to the grounds of St Peter's Church with their Christingles. Everyone will then stand with their families, socially distanced from the other families. We will sing; Little Donkey, Away in a Manger and Silent Night. We chose these carols as we hope most of you will already know them. This meets current guidance, but as you are aware, could change at any time. We hope you will be able to join us.

FB – Benington Primary School

We now have an open and closed FB group. The closed one is for sharing photos and current school news. It's also a place for you to ask questions to our school community. The open one is for publicity purposes. I'd be grateful if you could share, like and follow this page. Our virtual tour is now live on our FB page and on the website.

Feed up Warm Up

We are collecting for Feed Up Warm Up again this Christmas. Please bring your donations into school. Thank you

Free School Meals

Some of you may now be eligible for FSM. You can ask the office for a form or can apply directly. on the HCC website. www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals This can then entitle you to other benefits such as free residential trips.

Families Hertfordshire Magazine

The magazine has now gone online it is full of home-based activities and Christmas fun that are appropriate for this new lockdown situation. There are some great competitions too!
https://issuu.com/familiesonline/docs/familiesherts_nov_dec2020issue95?fr=sZGFIMTIyNzI5NDg

Questionnaires

Thank you to everyone who has already completed our well-being survey. You've got one more week left to share your views.

Children's Illness

This is the time of year when children often develop coughs and colds. If you are at all unsure whether your child might be displaying COVID-19 symptoms, please phone 119. There is also lots of advice on our website. We realise it can be very frustrating keeping your child off school, but we must follow government guidelines. Thank you everyone for being so sensible at following advice and keeping us updated.

Birthdays

You can still send in sweets for your child's birthday. They just need to be wrapped sweets in a sealed bag. I also recognise each child's birthday on our school FB page too.

Benington Online News

If you'd like to receive the village news please email Heather to be included on the mailing list. We contribute to this too. ubbw@hotmail.co.uk

Medication

Children can bring in a single dose of medication such as Calpol melts or sachets for self-administration. If you wish your child to self-medicate please send it in with a signed note explaining what time they can take this from and the dosage.

Contacting Staff

All staff email addresses are now on the website. Please email your child's class teacher directly with any class issues. Please be aware that they are teaching during the day and will not be able to read or respond to communications until the end of the day. If it's an urgent matter, please email admin or phone the office.

Safeguarding

Please be careful on the pavement outside the school. It is getting quite congested again. Be considerate of each other and allow people to pass if necessary.

Our Vision through our Mission Statement

"Inspiring pupils to reach their full potential in our Christian family through trust, respect and care for all."

I listened to our Acorn Class giving feedback to each today after their nativity rehearsal. You could tell how much they cared for each of their classmates through their careful comments.

Have a lovely weekend
Mrs Tyler

But those who **TRUST**
in the **LORD** will **FIND**
new **STRENGTH.**

They will **SOAR** high
on wings like **EAGLES.**

They will **RUN** and not
grow **WEARY.**

They will **WALK** and
NOT FAINT.

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