



Hague Bar Primary Newsletter

20th November 2020

Fire Drill

Yesterday we carried out a Covid19 fire drill. How is this different to normal? Rather than all lining up in one area of the playground we have to allocate a particular part of the outdoors to a certain bubble to ensure children still don't mix - even in an emergency. Everyone was very sensible and listened to the adults guide them to their safe area where they lined up in year groups to be counted.

Christmas Performances

As you may imagine, performances of any kind are quite a challenge to facilitate this year. I spoke with the head of Health & Safety at DCC a little while ago and discussed some options but ultimately, I have decided to plan on being able to deliver three outdoor performances, one from each class bubble. This assumes we are out of 'lockdown 2' and are allowed to invite families on-site. Each class will give a short outdoor performance under the canopy. Only adults connected with a bubble will be asked to attend. Audience members will be expected to sit in household bubbles and be a 2m distance from others. Please plan to bring blankets, umbrellas and hot drinks in travel mugs for your own comfort. We will provide chairs. I hope this is something which you will look forward to. If we cannot go ahead because of new guidance then I will do my utmost to provide an alternative.

Hartington 2pm Monday December 14th

Haddon 2pm Tuesday December 15th

Hassop 2pm Wednesday December 16th

Light Up New Mills, Friday December 4th

The children will be creating more window illuminations, but with a festive theme, for the second Light Up New Mills this year. We will be following the latest social distancing guidance however we are planning on hosting another 'switch on' evening where household bubbles can see the displays. Outdoor refreshments are planned for donations. Due to the unexpected popularity of this event last time, we will be having staggered entries as follows:

5.30-6pm: Haddon

6.15-6.45pm: Hartington

7.00-7.30pm: Hassop

Roads

I have had several complaints today regarding further difficulties with parking, road safety and pedestrian space. I have recorded these complaints and will inform my allocated governors and High Peak Borough Council. This is such a regular issue that I will look into a permanent staggered start/finish for KS1/2 to ease this issue. I will need to put this up for discussion with parents, governors and staff as I can anticipate complications for those parents with children in both Key Stages.

Twilight Staff Training Sessions

Staff are currently taking part in a programme of training sessions. These include: Rewards & Behaviour, Safeguarding Record Keeping, Early Help & Individual Planning, Makaton Sign Language and The Google Classroom Platform. This will amount to the same as the INSET day on Friday December 18th.



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Pyjama Day

Today we saw the children (and some brave staff) supporting Children In Need by coming to school in their pyjamas/clothes. Thank you for your generous donations; Hague Bar will be sending £81 to this cause.

Haddon



Hartington



Hassop



Christmas Enrichment & Enterprise

Each class will have a focused Christmas Craft Week beginning Monday November 30th. This will also be an Enterprising and Enrichment Week as it will not be curriculum based and will have elements of a business approach (age appropriate). Watch out for an opportunity to purchase items your child/class has made – any money raised will be for the children to decide how to spend in their classroom.

I hope you all have a pleasant and safe weekend.

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Mrs Rachel Parry
Headteacher

