



FRIDAY NEWSLETTER

11/12/20

Dear Parents

Although restrictions are still in place the excitement is building for the boys and girls in Central with only one week of school left before the Christmas holidays. Across the school, children are participating in lots of different ways to integrate Christmas into the curriculum.

Christmas Nativity

Years 1 to 3 have been working hard and have prepared a virtual performance by each class. This has been uploaded on the school website and is available in Children / Class pages.



Christmas Photos

Christmas photographs were taken today for those who had booked one. These will be available early next week.



Christmas Activities

We recognise that things are different this year for everyone but we are striving to make Christmas in school as enjoyable and exciting for the pupils as we can. Next week we have planned some fun activities for each class. **Thursday** will be **Christmas Party Day** - children can wear their own clothes on Thursday.

Please do not send any toys into school on the last day.

Christmas Jumper Day



Thank you to everyone who supported our Christmas Jumper Day. We raised £205 for Save the Children Fund.

Christmas Cards.....

Due to Covid we are requesting that Christmas cards are not brought into school this year as we cannot distribute these. Children will be able to make Christmas cards in school to give to their friends.

Lisburn and Castlereagh Council Christmas Pantomime LCCC have produced a virtual Christmas Pantomime this year - 'Cinderella'. We hope to show this to the children on **Wednesday**. Please contact the school or message your child's teacher if you do not want your child to view this.

Applications for Nursery / P1

The system for applying for nursery or P1 places will be by on-line application. Information regarding the procedure can be obtained through the EA website (www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions) and is available from 18th December. The Portal for applications opens at 12 noon on Thursday 7 January. Please remember that even if your child currently attends our nursery-unit you must re-apply for a P1 place. Applications received after the deadline, 12 noon on Friday 29 January, cannot be considered.

Virtual Open Day

We will be providing a virtual tour of the school this year for prospective Nursery and Primary One parents. This is available on our school website today.

www.lisburncentralps.com

Community Events

Unfortunately, this year our school choir have not been able to participate in local events in the same way as on previous occasions. However, they did have an opportunity to record two Christmas Carols for the PSNI Carol service in Christ church. Thank you to the choir members who worked hard and sang so well. The pupils have also produced some great art work in class to go on display in Woodgrove Nursing Home. Hopefully this will help to bring some Christmas cheer to the residents.

PTF Christmas Quiz

The draw has taken place today for the PTF quiz. Well done to our P.1 winner.



Christmas Holidays

School will finish at 1:00pm on Friday 18th December. Pupils who receive free school meals will be provided with a packed lunch on Friday to take home.

School reopens on Monday 4th January 2021.

Should you wish to speak to me about any of the above or any other matter please do contact Mrs Bishop who will be very happy to arrange a phonecall or email

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