Together we care, together we succeed



27th November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly thank you all for supporting school throughout this second national lockdown. We are all having to make significant changes in our approach to everyday life. Restrictions now look to continue in Dudley, as we will be in Tier 3.

Further to my last message please note the following re arrangements going forward for December.

Next week commencing 30th November

We are awaiting confirmation if we are able to continue with plans for **school photographs** next week. If we can it will be as follows and PE days will continue as normal.

Thursday 3 rd December Nursery, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 6.		
Friday 4 th December Reception, ASD Base, Year 4, Year 5.		

This year, due to restrictions in place, we are only able to have single photographs (none with siblings). Proofs will be sent out on Wednesday 9th December, and then will follow an online process.

Christmas arrangements

Last week we celebrated a new **school values** award for **friendship**. We will be celebrating **creativity**, another of our school values in the final week of term. This will incorporate an alternative celebration as due to restrictions we are unable to do our usual nativities and carol concerts.

- **Tuesday 1st December** instead of our Christmas Macmillan coffee morning, we will have a green mufti day with funds raised going to Macmillan charity fund.
- There will be no Christmas post box. **Christmas cards** just for your child's class can be sent in with reading books on **Thursday 10th December**, and will be sent out on **Monday 14th December**.
- On **Friday 11th December**, we will be having a festive mufti day as we are unable to have our traditional Christmas Fayre. Donations and funds raised will go to HSA.
- **Christmas gifts.** Much as we would love as usual for staff to receive your kind Christmas gifts, this is not feasible with quarantining etc for 23 classes. (Cards may be sent in as above.) The HSA have kindly agreed to co-ordinate gifts so that a class would receive a Christmas gift, details are on the following page.

The HSA have set up an Amazon gift list for each class if anyone wishes to purchase their child's class a Christmas gift. To use the gift list please visit <u>https://tinyurl.com/GigGiftRCA</u> (change the end of URL to the relevant class or use the links in the table below) - Please make sure the delivery address is set to the gift recipient - which is Class X, Gig Mill Primary school and select the address. Some classes have chosen more expensive items - maybe you could club together with other parents to buy these. You will get to write a gift message to the class - make sure you include your child's name. Many thanks for the support from HSA, and for your understanding.

ASD Base	Nursery	
Class RCa – Miss Carpenter	Class RW – Miss Whitehead	Class RDS – Mrs Dudley/Mrs Smith
Class 1D – Miss Deery	Class 1H – Miss Hatton	<u>Class 1M – Miss McMahon</u>
Class 2B – Mr Bottoms	Class 2M – Miss Moore	<u>Class 2D – Miss Davies</u>
Class 3F – Mrs Franklin	Class 3BK – Mrs Burke/Mrs Kumar	Class 3FG – Mrs Foster/Mrs Glover
Class 4A – Mrs Anderson	<u>Class 4T – Mrs Trigg</u>	<u>Class 4F – Mr Flack</u>
<u>Class 5K – Miss Kamudu</u>	Class 5W – Mr Withers	Class 5R – Mrs Rumble
<u>Class 6J – Mr Jones</u>	Class 6W – Miss Wilcox	Class 6DG – Mrs Daniels/Mrs Griffin

Thank you again for continuing to follow the guidance set out by the government in order to protect your children, your families and our school staff team and our families.

Kind regards,

Mrs Hannaway and Gig Mill team