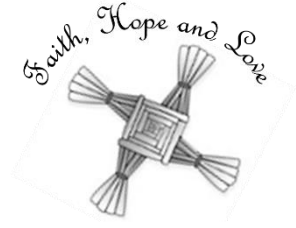




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"Love your neighbour as yourself."

Luke 10:27

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing this on the last day of term and wish you all a Merry Christmas. Thank you on behalf of all of the staff at St. Bridget's for your support and patience. This term has been long and challenging, but it has also been wonderful to see the children thrive and enjoy school each day. We have worked hard to get things right and we have lived a charmed life having to close no classes (also known as bubbles these days) this term. The guidance for Christmas has not changed yet, but the interpretation seems to be erring more and more on the side of caution for families and mixing. However you celebrate your Christmas this year, I hope you are able to do it safely and with care for everyone in your family.

In our Christmas assembly today, I wished all of the children a Merry Christmas. We reflected on the Christmas Story and how we had prepared ourselves during Advent. We have managed to raise £1692 for Claire House and received a lovely thank you letter from two children whose mother works at Claire House. I have put the letter on the news section of the website. [Thank you letter](#). Throughout the day, I shared the lovely letter written by the Chief Constable explaining how the local restrictions would be lifted for Santa's visit on Christmas Eve. [Letter from the Chief Constable](#). In addition, we have shared a message from all of the staff to the children. It is not our usual song and dance due to restrictions, but I hope you enjoy our simple and heart felt message. [Merry Christmas from St. B's](#)

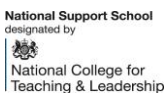
Emergency contact over Christmas

In line with guidance we will be using the emergency contact email if you need to report any cases of Covid infection in your family to school after school has finished. This will be particularly important in the 48 hours after schools has finished. Any classes or year groups that are affected will be contacted by email from school. The emergency email will be checked daily and we will get in touch if there is a concern or if actions that need to be taken.

emergencycontact@stbridgets.wirral.sch.uk

Symptoms-only and Symptom-free testing

I thought it would be useful to share, as a reminder, that there are now dedicated sites for both symptomatic and symptom-free testing. Most of the sites will remain open over Christmas with



the exception of 25, 26th and 1st January. However, they may not be open for the usual hours throughout the festive period. I'd encourage you to visit www.wirral.gov.uk/testing or keep an eye out on the council's Facebook and Twitter accounts for the most up-to-date times. Please remember that anyone who has been identified as a close contact of a confirmed case must stick to their full 10 days isolation period and should not seek an asymptomatic test.

Lastly on the topic of testing, some of you will be aware of an announcement recently which said staff and students will have access to rapid testing from January, with the aim of increasing attendance and reducing the need for isolation from schools. We will keep you fully informed as further detail emerges on this.

Support for the community

I have attached documents on the website which highlight some key channels of support for residents. It provides a list of agencies they can contact for help if they are struggling with; bills, food, housing, needing support when isolating or advice on COVID. Please share this with anyone who may be struggling or facing hardship. There is support in place to help them.

See link [Support for Families](#)

PA News

The Parents Association have had a wonderful response to the tea towels and have made a profit of £742.80. There are a few left if anyone else wants one. I know we did our best to get everyone on the tea towels and apologies to anyone who was absent on the days we were drawing the pictures.

Merry Christmas from everyone at St. Bridget's,

Neil Le Feuvre

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