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Everyone can learn

Everyone belongs

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Inset Days

Please remember that **tomorrow** and **Monday 6th December** are Inset days and the school will be closed for children.

Inset Day

Discos

We are looking forward to the Winter Discos next week - the first discos in 2 years. In order for these to go ahead in Covid-safety, the following precautions will be in place:



Reception and Year 1 Discos

- Staff can help the children to get changed for the discos before the end of school (as long as these are 'easy' changes). Please ensure children bring in their change of clothes in a labelled carrier bag.
- Children need to be collected from the classrooms by parents/carers at the end of school and brought to the Stratos Hall for the disco.
- We will be operating a one-way drop-off system - parents to drop off into the Stratos Hall via middle playground (entrance in the top-right corner, by the Welfare Room) and then exit the hall immediately into the front yard, via the side entrance. Please try to socially distance while waiting.
- At the end of the discos, adults should enter the school via the main entrance, go into the hall to collect their child and leave via the side entrance.
- All adults must wear a mask when dropping their children off to the disco and coming in to collect them at the end.

Year 2-6 Discos

- Children will enter the school site via the main gate, turn left into the front playground and line up to enter the building by the Library/Welfare Room.
- At the end of the discos, adults should enter the school via the main entrance, go into the hall to collect their child and leave via the side entrance. Please try to socially distance while waiting.
- All adults must wear a mask when dropping their children off to the disco and coming in to collect them at the end.
- All children will be provided with a drink and a snack, they should not bring any money with them to the discos.

Flu Immunisations

Please find attached a letter regarding the flu vaccination programme. If you would like your child to receive the vaccination please [click here](#). The date of vaccinations are yet to be confirmed and are dependant on how many children are receiving the vaccinations. As soon as we are informed of the date we will let parents know.



Christmas Tree

Wanted - could you or anyone you know sponsor our Christmas Tree ? If so please contact Adam Lea (Site Manager) or the school office. Thank you.



Children in Need

We would like to say a HUGE thank you to everyone who took part and donated to Children in Need. We have already raised an incredible £580.55



Foodbank Christmas Appeal

Every year, we have a Christmas appeal, to support the East Bristol Foodbank and this year we know that they need our help more than ever.



We will have boxes in the main foyer for donations and we will be making regular drop-offs to the foodbank throughout December. Their Christmas Wish List is:

- Christmas Puddings
- Christmas Cakes / Yule Log (or similar)
- Mince Pies (Please check expiry date)
- Crackers (to pull and eat)
- Tins/boxes of festive treats, festive biscuits,
- Cranberry Sauce
- Gravy Granules
- Chocolate Coins, Chocolate Boxes /Sweet selection boxes
- Stuffing Mix
- Tins of Salmon / Cured Ham

They would also welcome donations of gifts that they can give out for Christmas - so would welcome any children's gifts, books or colouring books and toiletry gifts for adults.

This wish list is in addition to the items that they need all year round, so donations of tea, coffee, toilet rolls, toiletry items (deodorant, shower gel, tooth paste etc) laundry products, baby supplies (nappies, wipes, food), cereal, soup, pasta, rice, tinned meat, veg and fruit, UHT milk and fruit juice are also needed.

If you can help by adding an extra item or two to your shopping over the coming weeks and dropping it off in the foyer, we know the team of volunteers at the Kingswood Foodbank and everyone who receives your donations will be extremely grateful. The last day for collections will be Monday 13th December.

Employment Opportunities at Air Balloon Hill Primary School

Please visit the vacancies section of the school website to view our current job opportunities.

www.abhps.com/vacancies

<https://www.eteach.com/schools/air-balloon-hill-primary-school-24934>



Air Balloon Hill Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

An enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service Check is required for this position.

We particularly welcome applications from underrepresented groups including, ethnicity, gender, transgender, age, disability, sexual orientation or religion.

Consultation on improvements to the number 2 bus route (A37/A4018)

Bristol City Council is asking residents, commuters and business owners for their views on the proposed improvements to the number 2 bus route (A37/A4018).



In 2020 we asked for people's suggested improvements to this route. We have considered these and now want feedback on our proposed designs. Citizens will be able to find out more about the proposed designs and have their say on the Travel West website: www.travelwest.info/A37A4018

To make it easier to understand the proposals, we have divided the route into three areas: North, Central and South. In the survey citizens will be able to view the proposed improvements and answer some questions about each section of the route. There are also images of what some areas might look like where there are proposals to improve public space and alternative route maps so people can see how traffic will move around the area. The consultation is open until 28 January 2022.

Covid - 19

Please remember that if your child has any symptoms which could be Covid, they **must** have a PCR test. Lateral flow tests are only suitable if no symptoms are present. Please report **any** symptoms of Covid to the school office so we can monitor for possible positive cases and remember that children with any Covid symptoms **must** not attend school until they have received a negative PCR result.



Christmas Cards

Children are welcome to send Christmas cards this year. In order to be environmentally minded we do ask if children could send a 'class card' which can then be displayed in the classroom for everyone to enjoy. However, we do recognise that some children will want to send cards to individual children in their class and year group. Please note that all cards must be handed in to the class teacher who will arrange distribution at a time that is convenient and appropriate.



Masks

Please can we remind parents/carers that masks **must** be worn when you are on the school site, even in the playgrounds, as social distancing cannot always be maintained and Covid cases are on the increase.



School Photos

Children have been given their class photo proof cards to bring home today. If you would like to place an order and have your photos delivered free to school the deadline is Thursday 9th December at 15:00pm. Any orders placed after this date will be delivered to your home address and will be charged a delivery fee.

FAB News

Christmas Craft Bags

Are you looking for something to keep your children occupied during the holidays? Crafts, treats and surprises! £3 per bag. Craft bags will be handed out during the last week of term. Please hand money in an envelope marked with your child's name and class to the school office by **Wednesday 15th December**.

