

# OUTWOODS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Newsletter November 2020



Dear Parents/Carers

I firstly want to thank you for all of your support since our return to school in September. It has been an extremely challenging time and continues to be so but so many parents have been so supportive and enabled us to make the plans we have in place work for the safety of everyone.

**Please note that school will be closed for training relating to Covid-19 on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December.**

**I apologise for any inconvenience that this may cause.**

Thank you to all of the parents who 'attended' parents evening in October. We have been so impressed with how the children have adjusted to new routines in school and settled in to their new classes. I am so proud of each and every one of them. We really are very lucky to have such wonderful pupils of Outwoods Primary. I have to say that the highlight of my day is being able to welcome the children in to school each morning.

I would like to share some exciting news around our school rules. We have worked hard as a whole staff to establish our new rules and we are in the process of launching each school rule with the children in year group assemblies. We have discussed each rule and they have contributed great ideas to what each rule means.

Our school rules...



Please take the opportunity to discuss these school rules with your child. They are very good at explaining what each rule means and how they can demonstrate it around school and in the classroom. Next week, we will explore AIM HIGH.

Again, thank you for your support. Hope you are all staying safe and well.

Mrs J Cutbush

# Christmas Cards



We are doing our best to continue with as many Christmas traditions as possible, whilst keeping everyone as safe as we can. We will still be encouraging the children to send Christmas Cards but these will only be in their year group. Each year group will have their own post box, which the children can post their cards in to and they will then be distributed. Please make sure you include the surname if there is more than one child in the year group with the same first name. We ask that if your child wants to send cards, they MUST be in school by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December. This will allow the cards to remain in quarantine for 72 hours before giving them out. Any cards brought in after that date will not be accepted. HEALTH AND SAFETY NOTICE: You MUST **stick** the seal on the envelope and not lick it.

*Thank you!*

## PJ DAY 2020

*Monday 7th December 2020*

### **Help keep families together this winter!**

For one day in December, we would like you to wear your warmest PJs, slip on your slippers and support Ronald McDonald House Charities UK.

When a child is in hospital, families can be faced with having to travel long distances, or pay for costly hotel rooms in order to support them.

Ronald McDonald House Charities UK take away some of the stress by providing free accommodation across their 11 Houses in the UK. Their Houses provide families with a comfortable place to stay, close to their child in hospital, giving them more time and energy to focus on being together.

We would like to support this charity as one of our families has had the recent experience of needing to use this accommodation - so let us take part in PJ Day, a fun and cosy way to raise money for Ronald McDonald House Charities UK. We kindly ask that each pupil donate just £2 to take part to help provide free accommodation for families, while their child is in hospital.

Huge thanks in advance for your support.

**Please note: if you do not wish to donate to the charity then please send your child in their school uniform.**



## CHRISTMAS DINNER

We are pleased to confirm that Christmas dinner will be going ahead this year and will take place on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December. A google form will be sent out this week so that you can place your orders. The cost of the Christmas dinner will be £2.35 and you will be able to make your payment via Parent Pay. The children are welcome to wear a Christmas jumper on this day instead of their school jumper along with their school trousers or skirt. The children will remain in their bubbles during this lunchtime.



I am thrilled to announce that Mrs O'Donnell and her husband are expecting their first baby together in February next year. I am pleased to welcome Miss Kirsty Redfern to the team at Outwoods to cover Mrs O'Donnell's maternity leave. She joins us on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November.