



WILLOW BANK INFANT SCHOOL

Newsletter

From the Headteacher

11th December 2020 

Welcome back Year 1 and Year 2! It was so lovely to see you all again today- the school just doesn't feel right when you're not in it! We are all looking forward to having a fully open school with all three year groups in on Monday!

Thank you to all the teachers and parents who have made the online learning work so well for so many of the children. Learning a new system hasn't been easy, on either side of the process, and I really appreciate the effort that you all have put in to helping your children continue their learning.

We only have four more school days to go before the end of term, and in an effort to ensure that everyone has a safe, and most importantly, healthy Christmas break we ask you all **to be extra vigilant in following the government hand hygiene and mask-wearing guidance.**

Important Information Regarding Track and Trace and Christmas Isolation

The Department for Education requires schools to continue tracking and tracing children after term ends. This means that:

- If your child develops Covid symptoms on **Friday 18th or Saturday 19th December**, you **must inform the school** by emailing us at covid@willowbank-inf.wokingham.sch.uk
- If your child develops Covid symptoms from **Sunday 20th December onwards**, you **do not need to inform the school**. This is because Public Health England are only concerned with positive case contact in the 48 hours preceding the onset of symptoms.
- If any children or staff in our school develop symptoms of Covid and subsequently test positive **from tomorrow, 12th December, their bubbles will need to be prepared to be told to isolate over the Christmas period.**
- If you haven't been contacted by our school by 23rd December, you can be sure your child will not have come into contact with a positive case of Covid in school and you can enjoy an isolation free festive season.

PLEASE do not send your child into school if they are unwell.

Please also remember to **send in your responses to our Sex and Relationships Education Policy consultation.** The consultation closes tomorrow on 12th December.

The **Year group weekly bulletins** will be on the school website as they were last week (find them at <https://www.willowbankinfant.com/web>).

Have a lovely weekend!

Michelle Masters

