



Tynsel Parkes CE Primary Academy

Newsletter 9

27th November 2020

Baby News

Huge congratulations to Mrs Wilcock who gave birth to her baby boy 'Freddie' last week. Mum and baby are doing well. I know the whole team at Tynsel Parkes are really looking forward to meeting the newest member of Hannah's family, I have got a feeling we will have to meet virtually!



Christmas Dinner



If you would like to order a Christmas Dinner for your child, it will take place on **Thursday 10th December**. There will be Festive Turkey Rolls - with Stuffing and Cranberry on the side or Roasted Vegetable & Stuffing parcels, Crunchy vegetable sticks and Home baked Christmas biscuits.

Due to the COVID restrictions in school, children will be having their Christmas meals in their classrooms within their bubbles. I know the staff are planning to make this event as special as possible at this time.

Christingle Service online

Rev. Margaret Sherwin would like to share with all the families 'Christingle 2020'. The service is 16 minutes long and aimed at young families using what they can find in their kitchen drawers! The service can be found at: https://youtu.be/n_r-FFM-hIY explaining the meaning of Christingles.

If anyone wants to use something more as a traditional service they can go directly to The Children's Society or Diocesan websites. Bishop Michael is now doing an Advent sermon that is offered to the whole diocese for this Sunday.



Rev. Margaret sends God's blessings to us all, as we enter the season of Advent.

Christmas At Tynsel Parkes

We want to make sure we all still enjoy the festive period as well as staying safe. Children will still be making their traditional cards and calendars this year, these will be made and stored for 72 hours before sending home. Unfortunately this year, the children will not be able to bring cards from home to send to one another, I am sure you understand the need to stay as safe as possible at this time so that we can all enjoy Christmas when it arrives.

There will be different Christmas activities arranged in the classrooms to make the season as fun as possible for the children. The classes are beginning to prepare a Christmas service that will be available to view online for all at the end of term, if all goes to plan.

COVID Reminders

As we enter the tiered stage of COVID restrictions next week, Staffordshire will be in Tier 3, the highest of the levels. To keep the community of Tynsel Parkes as safe as possible below are a few reminders about school systems.

- Any positive Covid 19 cases should be reported immediately by email to office@tynselparkesacademy.co.uk (even if your child is in a closed bubble) We are monitoring this inbox and therefore we will pick up your message out of hours. Please use the subject line "Positive Covid Test".
- If anyone in your household is displaying a symptom of COVID, **all the household needs to isolate**, children cannot attend school, a test is required for the person with symptoms.
- If your child is complaining of a headache, aches and pains, feeling very tired for no good reason, sore throat, runny nose, sneezing or tummy ache during the school day, we will be asking parents to take their child for a test. (As mentioned in the letter for the new symptom list).
- Do not congregate on the schoolyard, as soon as you have picked up or dropped off your children, please leave the school site. Do not meet at the bottom of the school gate as this is causing some congestion, other parents and carers are not able to leave the school site safely.
- Any messages for class teachers to be passed via the office or the year group email if relating to teaching and learning.

School Dates

The school holidays and INSET dates have now been set for the year 2021/2022, these are available to view on the school website at:

www.tynselparkesacademy.co.uk/news---events/school-dates

Walking to School

We have mentioned before in our newsletters, if you can walk to school, it will make our streets safer for our families and avoid congestion on the surrounding roads. However, it has been brought to my attention that some paths have quite a lot of dog mess on them. Please, could I ask all dog owners to be considerate to other walkers and maintain safety for all; I know the majority of you already do and thank you for this.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Rachel Chandler
Principal