



Team Talk | 24.11.2020

Dear Families,

I hope that you all remain well and are hearing from your children about the lovely things that they are getting up to! More than ever, we see school as the place where as much as possible children can feel 'normal'... We also look forward to further announcements from the government this week regarding the Tier that North Yorkshire will be placed in, and where that leaves schools – but as always, we hear the information at the same time as families do. Below are just a few updates that you may find useful to know about...

'The Nest'

Following the announcement from Jigsaw that they were no longer able to offer wraparound care – we have worked really hard behind the scenes to set up our own provision... 'The Nest'. We aim for this to open on Monday 7th December, we are just awaiting recruitment checks being completed by the local authority, and furniture and toys to be delivered! We are really excited to provide this for our families and we hope that you support us by using it! See the poster at the back of this letter for more information. An online booking and payment system is currently being set up! 😊



Year 1

Sadly, a member of Mr. Marshall's household has tested positive for COVID-19. This now means that he has to self-isolate until the end of next week. From tomorrow, we have a supply teacher joining the year 1 team – Mrs. Passman. I know that the staff and children will make her feel very welcome as I know that you will too. Please bear with us if things aren't quite as tight as usual in year 1 – we will be doing our best and we aim for you to feel no disruption!

Christmas



As we already know that we cannot throw open our doors for Christmas, this year will sadly be a little different at Cambrai. Usually, reception would perform the nativity, with year 1 supporting by singing the songs for the performance. Last year, we even did this at the church: it was magical. Sadly, as we cannot get the reception and year 1 children together, this year we cannot do this. As such, reception will be performing their nativity in school and we will film it and share it online with families during the week of 14th December.

Year 1 are currently creating a dance performance which will be shared online and will also be performing a small Christmas sing-a-long, again shared online.

You will be able to watch the performances whenever is suitable for you. We will email out the links when we have them uploaded (and Mr. Dent learns how to do it!). We do not need costumes as we have full sets in school.

We are so sad that this is the case – there is no place like a primary school at Christmas, and we would have loved for you to be in school - but rest assured that Christmas 2021 will be AWESOME at Cambrai!

There are also a few other important dates regarding Christmas to share:

- **Friday 11th December** – national Christmas Jumper day. Please come to school in your best Christmas Jumper (or whatever you feel suitable). Children wear school trousers / shoes etc as normal.
- **Thursday 17th December** – Christmas Dinner! Children can wear any Christmassy outfit that they like!
- **Friday 18th December** – Christmas Party Day. Children will have a 'party lunch' and enjoy party games and activities during the day and can come to school in their own party clothes!
- **Christmas Holidays:** Break up Friday 18th December. Children return on Tuesday January 5th. (We have a training day on Monday 4th).

OPAL Playtimes

We are still collecting:

- Any metal, plastic or wooden kitchen bowls, utensils, pans etc
- Any dressing up clothes – or adult clothes that children would like to wear – hats, waistcoats, jackets, shoes etc



SeeSaw / Reading



Each week, all children are allocated a task via SeeSaw. Please make sure that you log in and access the work each week and complete it by Thursday evening each week. It is really important that children and parents are familiar with the platform – should compulsory online learning ever be mandated by the government. We also remind you that our expectation is children read 4 times each week at home. This may be their reading book, or sound book etc if they haven't got a reading book just yet. Practise really does make perfect and reading at home is vital if children are to stay on track across the year. Thank you so much for your support with this – reading with your child really is the best gift that you can give them... even if they would rather a PlayStation 5!

Cleaner

We are pleased to welcome Mrs Rea to the team! Mrs Rea is with us every night after school as our new cleaner. She's already settled in brilliantly and I know that you will all join me in welcoming her to the team!



After School Music Club for Year 1

Restrictions allowing, we aim to re-start the music club on Monday 7th December. We will let you know if we are unable to do this!

And that is our current round up! If I do not write out anymore before the end of term, please have a wonderful Christmas and New Year (whatever they may look like!). Stay safe, enjoy the time together and I wish you all the very best in 2021.



With best wishes and thanks,

Mr. Mark Dent
Executive Headteacher
Cambrai Primary School



A New Childcare Facility for the Families of Cambrai...

Online booking and payment system coming soon...

Planned to open 7th December

A new '*Home from Home*' for before and after school!

Breakfast Club: 7.30am-8.45am (£4 per day)
After School Club: 3.15pm-5.45pm (£7 per day)

Breakfast Menu

Child would need to be in by 8.30am for breakfast...

Selection of cereals
Toast / bagels / crumpets
Fruits and Yoghurts
Juices and Water

After School Menu

A light after school tea, following a hot lunch, to still allow for a family mealtime at home...

Daily choices of sandwiches & wraps
Snack choices: savoury snacks, fruit, yoghurts, daily dessert choices.
(Once open we also aim to offer toasties / beans on toast etc)



Friday Film Night

Inside and outside time



Games chosen by the children!

Daily optional activities



Chill out zones...ZZZ

