



Friday Fortnightly

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**Burraton CP
School**

11th December 2020

Welcome to our Friday Fortnightly!

EYFS - We are delighted to have been able to invite prospective parents into school at the end of the day for Covid-secure tours. If you know of any parents choosing a school for their children starting in September 2021, please let them know that they are welcome to visit us and see what Burraton has to offer. The closing date for applications for starting school next September is January 15th 2021.

Year 4 Bubble return - Well done to our Year 4 children who have done a fabulous job with learning at home over the last fortnight due to their bubble closing. The children have engaged really well with both their online learning, and their paper packs. We are very proud of them all, and have been delighted to welcome them back into school this week.

Dates for the Diary

15.12.2020		EYFS Virtual Nativity	Code will be shared via Tapestry
17.12.2020		Y1—Y6 Virtual Christmas presentation for Parents	Please refer to the letter dated 10th December for times. Codes will be shared by class teachers through Class Dojo
18.12.2020		Christmas Jumper Day	
18.12.2020	3.15 pm	School closes for Christmas	
04.01.2021		School re-opens for Spring 1	
25.01.2021	2.25 pm	Restormel Class assembly	Google link will be shared through Class Dojo

Subject Conferencing - This week, our children have been conferenced regarding their views of different subjects in school. A selection of their comments are:

PE - *"I love being active and especially loved the skipping"*

Art - *"I started drawing when I was 2 and it was scribbles, now I've got better and its not".*

We love hearing about how much our children enjoy their learning at Burraton.

End of term—the last day at school remains as Friday 18th December. Whilst some of you may be aware of the recent Government announcement that schools can shut a day early, we will not be doing so at Burraton.

Covid-19 Reminders - Please ensure all children with long hair have their hair tied back and also that they maintain social distancing on the playground before and after school. Thank you.



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Pentillie Assembly - Pentillie class led our school assembly last week. Despite a few technical issues in our Google Meet, the children were able to share all sorts about their learning. The children transported us back in time to Ancient Egypt and told us some fascinating facts as well as sharing an Egyptian dance that they have learnt. Super learning, Pentillie. Well done!



Assembly - This week's assembly was led by Chris Clark from Saltash Wesley. The children enjoyed hearing about the tallest Christmas tree, the oldest, the brightest and the most decorated trees, as well as the Christmas Story. It is always lovely to have visitors share in our assemblies.



Uniform - Thank you to those parents who are following our winter uniform code, including long trousers or navy/grey tights. If your child is still wearing shorts or socks with a skirt, we ask that they are correctly equipped with winter uniform unless there is a diagnosed medical condition meaning that winter uniform would be detrimental to their health.

Dogs - A polite reminder that unauthorised dogs are not permitted on school grounds: this includes the Snell Drive carpark. Some of our children are very fearful of dogs but are now slowly building trust in Bramble, our school dog. Having unknown dogs alongside our pathways, in some instances barking and jumping at the fence, is undoing the work that Bramble has achieved in building trust in our children.



Go Debt Free - Saltash Baptist Church are offering a debt support service to everyone in our community. The debt support is available to everyone and is completely free. If you feel you would like to chat to someone and to seek support, just call their friendly team on 0800 328 0006 and they will make an appointment to meet you. The link to the debt support website is <https://www.saltashbaptist.co.uk/debt-help>. It gives more information and a short introductory video clip.

A Busy Christmas Time - Christmas has really arrived at Burraton in the last two weeks. Our children have been busy preparing their Christmas items for our seasonal film which we will share with you next week. They have made some super stained glass windows for the Saltash Window Wanderland, and also some beautiful rainbow tree decorations for our tree at the SS Nicholas and Faith Church tree festival. In addition, we have been honoured to be selected as the only school in England to say a 'thank you' to the NHS. We have sent pictures and a thank you poem to the Royal College of Paediatricians and Child Health. If you would like to join the RCPCH celebration, it is totally free and via YouTube on 18th December. What an honour to be selected for this very special job. Please see following link: (<https://www.rcpch.ac.uk/news-events/events/rcpch-christmas-cracker>)

Blackbird Pie What's On in Cornwall

Winter Edition - The winter issue of Blackbird Pie online magazine is available at <https://blackbirdreads.turtl.co/story/cornwall-christmas2020/> This free magazine shares many of the festive things to see and do this year, from glittering gardens lit with myriad lights to light hearted theatre shows. Everyone has gone to great lengths to make things as Covid-safe as possible. There are lots of free activities and events listed, including sparkling yuletide markets with entertainers, free entry at PK Porthcurno and The Box Plymouth, stories, videos and art activities to download, interesting winter walks and historic sites to explore.

Saltash Methodist Church Virtual Christmas Kids Club

- 12th December and 21st December 4 - 4.45pm. This club is for under 11's and will share some great Christmas activities with your child. Here is the link to book.



<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/130771512113>

Have a lovely weekend—Mrs Tamblyn, Head Teacher