

Luxulyan School CORNWALL EDU LEARNING TRUST



Proud to be part of the Cornwall Education Learning Trust Monday 14th December 2020

Autumn Term- Newsletter 14

11 more sleeps to go! We have an exciting Christmas week ahead of us, Christmas Dinner day is on Wednesday 16th - please ensure you have ordered your child's dinner in advance, follow Mrs Grubb's link on Class Dojo. It will be festive non uniform for the day and the staff are organising the Annual 'Big Luxulyan Quiz of the Year'.

I just wanted to let you know that, despite the Government's announcement that schools could have an extra training day' on December 18th, we WILL NOT be changing our plans for this week. We feel the announcement has come too late in the day to allow for working parents to make arrangements, which are challenging anyway under the current circumstances. In school, the staff have made plans and the children have school Christmas party expectations, which this year particularly, we have no intention of taking away from them. Therefore, on Friday we will hold our Class Christmas Parties in the morning and finish at 1:30pm for the Christmas holidays as planned. The school are providing the party food this year in order to minimise items travelling between home and school.

The classes have been busy recording Christmas performances and these will be available on our Luxulyan School YouTube account. We will notify you on Class Dojo as soon as they are uploaded and ready to go. Obviously, we must adhere to safeguarding protocols and data protection rules to make this happen. The video will be private; you will only be able to access them using a link provided on Class Dojo, so you will be unable to download it. We ask for your assurance that you will only use the link for sharing the performances with family and close friends, please do not publish the link outside of Class Dojo on any social media or in the public domain.

Our Cornwall Christmas Boxes were sent off to the collection points on Thursday, well done to the St Sulien House Captains for all of their fundraising organisation this term. Next term it will be the turn of the St Cyriac House captains to orchestrate any whole school activities.

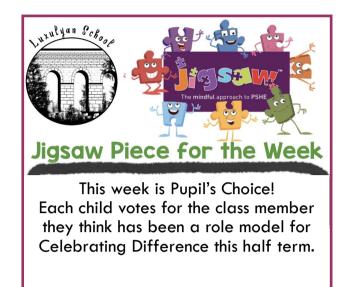
Finally, a thank you from me for enabling us to remain open and safe since returning to school in September. It is a credit to the Whole School Community that we have not had to close any of our bubbles. Thank you for your support and vigilance with all of the Covid- 19 measures that have been implemented both in school and at home.

Let me take this opportunity to wish all of you and your families a well deserved rest and a happy, healthy Christmas from all the staff at Luxulyan School. Your children bring joy to our days; they have demonstrated such resilience, energy and enthusiasm for their learning in the most challenging year I have ever experienced in my teaching career. We are proud to be their teachers and we look forward to welcoming you back to school on Monday 4th Jan 2021.

Enjoy the time with your families, **Emma Williams** Acting Head of School

Jigsaw Celebrating Difference: We are very proud of the Stars of the Week. Last week we celebrated children who are good at giving and receiving compliments.





APPLYING FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS/PUPIL PREMIUM/FUNDING FOR SCHOOL

All Key Stage 1 children automatically receive a free school meal as part of the Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) initiative when they are in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 regardless of household income or benefits.

Schools also receive funding (Pupil Premium) for each child registered as eligible for free school meals (FSM) at any point in the last 6 years. FSM eligibility depends on if you are in receipt of one or more of the qualifying benefits (listed below and you are NOT in receipt of Working Tax Credit, we politely request that you contact the school for a form or go online and apply direct at www.cornwall.gov.uk/schoolmeals

This funding is valuable as it can be spent on additional support for your child and can assist them with academic, social and emotional learning, as well supporting the funding of extra-curricular activities.

Qualifying Benefits

Families must be in receipt of one of the following benefits listed below to be eligible for Free School Meals/Pupil Premium:

- Universal Credit with net ('take home') income not exceeding £7,400 (£616.67 per month)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190 as assessed by HRMC
- Working Tax Credit run on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

What is happening with Primary School Assessments this Year?

Following the recent Government announcement, pupils will not have to sit the same tests they would sit in a normal year.

The National Key Stage 1 tests (Year 2) in English Reading and Maths and the English Grammar,

Punctuation and Spelling test at Key Stage 1 (Year 2) and Key Stage 2 (Year 6) will be removed for one year.

The school will continue to administer our in house assessments, because it is important for us to be able to understand any gaps in learning and the progress pupils are making.

National Primary Assessments in Summer 2021 will be:

- Year 1 Phonics Screening check
- Year 2 Teacher Assessment in English Reading, Writing and Mathematics
- Year 6 SATS in English Reading and Mathematics

Goodbye Mrs Godfrey

Mrs Godfrey is embarking upon a new adventure. We would like to wish her every success and say a big thank you for her hard work during her time working in Beech Class.

Sarah Champion is organising a Christmas Cheer Concert - please contact her for further details

* Please note some activities/events are not connected to Luxulyan School and parents should undertake their own checks as to the suitability of the providers/activities.





Join the Team at Luxulyan School. We are recruiting for a SEN 1:1 Teaching Assistant. Click here for details: https://celtrust.org/archives/2930

Closing date: Monday 4th January 9.00am

Interview date: Friday 8th January

Ash Class



Grow

Beech Class





Learn











Diary Dates		
16th Dec	Christmas Dinner Day & Festive Non Uniform	
18th Dec	Class Parties and a 1:30pm finish.	
4th Jan	First day of Spring term	

Attendance from 07/12/20 to 11/12/20		
Ash	100%	
Beech	98.9%	
Sycamore	96.9%	
Oak	100%	
Overall	98.8%	