



**The Colleton Primary School**  
**Briefing no 5 – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020**

Dear Families,

As we reach the end of the Autumn term, on behalf of all of us, I wanted to thank you all for your support, kind words and tokens of appreciation for staff who have worked really hard to ensure that the children could have as normal as possible school experience this term.

The children enjoyed their Christmas dinner in their reg group bubbles yesterday and were able to come together to sing carols around our stunning tree on the playground this morning which was a lovely end to the term. The singing ended with an unforgettable flash mob from the staff and children for a very surprised Mrs Jones who retires today! It was a fantastic send off for her and we will miss her very much.

We welcome to Younger Team Mrs Black will join Ms Dobson from January and has already spent some time getting to know the children over the last few weeks.

**Christmas Cheer at The Colleton**

Christmas in school is always very special and although we have really missed some of our traditions such as attending church and being able to invite you in for Christmas performances we hope you have enjoyed our adaptations and watching the selection of Christmas stories and filmed bubble performances which are on Colleton Community. Each team has now added their performances in the Christmas Celebrations folder. If you haven't had a chance to watch them please do take a look over the holidays.

**In memory of Jennette Hotson**

Following the sad news of Jennette's death, we have been in contact with her son who told us that instead of flowers, in tribute to her life, they will be requesting that family and friends make donations to The Colleton. Jennette's son felt that this would be a fitting tribute as our school meant so much to her and she would be delighted to know that contributions had been made in her memory. As a community we are over-whelmed by this kind gesture and will be giving very careful consideration to how any such monies will be spent in school in the new year. Donations can be made via the product / donation tab on your Scopy account.

**Reverse Advent Calendar**

A big thank you to everyone for donating to our reverse advent calendar. The children helped load all the goodies and we took them to Wokingham Food Bank last Friday. They were extremely pleased and were going to have everything on their shelves by Saturday.



## Important Information re Covid over the holidays

A reminder of the instructions and arrangements to follow in the event of your child testing positive for Coronavirus (COVID-19) after school closes:

- *If your child tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms **more than 48 hours** since being in school, the **school do not need be contacted**. Parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.*
- *For the first 6 days after teaching ends, if your child tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, **you will need to contact the school** as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school and we are asked to assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation.*
- *You will need to contact the school via [alert@colleton.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:alert@colleton.wokingham.sch.uk). I will be monitoring this email address between 9.30-10.30 each day up to and including Christmas Eve to assist with the process of notifying close contacts.*
- *If your child is required to self-isolate due to contact with a positive case **after the first 6 days** following the end of term, we do not need to be informed about their absence **until the first day of the new term** via the same email address [alert@colleton.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:alert@colleton.wokingham.sch.uk)*

## CPTA Thank you

I wanted to give a special mention to our CPTA especially Caron and Steph who have worked in the most creative of ways to raise funds for the school this term. If you are able to offer any practical support or get involved next term please do contact them. Many thanks to everyone who has been able to support the fundraising efforts too. They will be handing out the calendars on the playground this afternoon.

## Amazon Wish list

As mentioned in our last briefing, we have now set up a wish list to further enhance our current collection of books for teaching children about regulating emotions, personal social and health education as well as increasing the diversity and inclusive nature of texts available in our libraries. If you would like to make a donation please select from the wish list and attach a message so that we can acknowledge your donation before making the book available to the children.

[https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/S11SUL2S6K1E?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/S11SUL2S6K1E?ref=wl_share)



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my list on  
Amazon](#)

[www.amazon.co.uk](http://www.amazon.co.uk)

**Pick up TODAY 18<sup>th</sup> December**

Just a reminder that school will finish an hour earlier than your child's normal bubble time today.

Wishing you all a restful and relaxing time with your families this Christmas time. We look forward to welcoming the children back on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January.

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