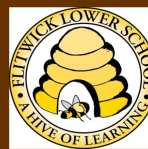


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KEY DATES:

13th Nov: children in need (come wearing spots)
9th Dec: Flu Immunisations
10th Dec - Incredible parenting support sessions
14th Dec: Online Christmas assembly with Reverend Lucy
16th Dec: Xmas Dinner (FS, YR 1 and 2)
17th Dec: Xmas Dinner (Year 3 and 4)
Children can wear Christmas Jumpers both days—
Donations to Save the Children charity
18th Dec: Break up for Christmas

TERM DATES:

Autumn Term
7th Sept — 18th December
Half Term
26th Oct—3rd Nov

Spring Term
5th Jan — 26th March 2021
Half Term
15th - 19th February

Summer Term
12th April - 21st July
Half Term
31st May - 4th June

Hello everyone.....

I hope you all managed to have a lovely half term even though the weather was not particularly kind to us. I could see from some of the pictures on the Flitwick Lower Association Facebook page that you had some fabulous Halloween costumes for the trail around Flitwick, I hope that you a lovely time if you took part in this.

As we move into the second half of the this term we are starting to think about Christmas and the different things we can do to make this as enjoyable as possible for the children. We have already designed Christmas cards and I have hand delivered these to the company in a bid to get the proofs back as soon as possible. We will be having Christmas Dinner with all the trimmings and you can find the dates in the key dates part of the this newsletter, we will also be supporting Save the Children Wear a Christmas Jumper on these days so you'll need to get creative. The main difference this year is going to be Christmas productions but we are currently working on a plan to give you some Christmas cheer.



But before that we have been thinking about Remembrance and I would like to say a huge thank you to you all for the amazing poppies you produced for our display. I think you'll agree with me when I say it creates some interesting discussions about Remembrance as well as remembering those that have taken part in the many wars.



I mentioned in the previous newsletter that we will be supporting the Need Project to help those in need at the moment. There is a collection point in the main office for any donations of food, toiletries or gift ideas that you would like to give. We will be doing regular deliveries depending on how many donations we have. Please try and help us to support families at this difficult time.

I would like to say a huge thank you to you all for supporting us in the wearing of face masks when on site. This will help with ensuring we have as safe an environment as possible for all our families.

Children In Need

This Friday we will be supporting Children In Need in school with the children coming into school in bright and spotty clothes. They will be completing some Pudsey activities in school during the day. Donation buckets will be on the playground at drop off and pick up times for you to be able to donate to this cause.



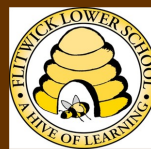
Flu Immunisations

We are now able to confirm that **all** the children in school will be offered a **Flu Immunisation on Wednesday 9th December.**

You should have received a school ping today with the consent details for you to complete online. Any problems please call the school office.

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SCHOOL DINNERS

Dinners for years 3 and 4 are £2.40 and we are asking that all dinners are paid for via our parent pay facility.

The menus are all available on the website so you can plan meals with your child. Please ensure you do this, as some children really don't want to eat some options and they need to have a good meal in the middle of the day.



Parenting Support Surgery

We are working with an independent parenting group called Incredible Parenting to give 1:1 sessions for parents who would like to talk about any aspects of parenting they need help with.

We have managed to reschedule this to Thursday 10th December at Flitwick Lower School.

If you are interested in attending this please complete the form that is available on the website to register your interest and we will contact you with a time nearer the date.

VIRTUAL OPEN DAY TOUR AND PARENTS INFORMATION EVENING

We have published our virtual open day tour on our website and on our You Tube channel. If you have a child who is due to start school in September 2021 then please view the tour to see the school. We are also holding a virtual information evening on Wednesday 11th November at 6pm. If you are interested in joining this then please book on using the link on the website, this form is for you to add your details so we can contact you with a link for the meeting.

We know that this is a really important decision and we are extremely sorry that we cannot offer personal tours of the school at the moment but we do hope that if the Lock Down is released then we will be able to offer some socially distant, family group tours. These are currently planned for Saturday 5th and Saturday 12th December. Keep a check on our website for details nearer the time.

WWW.FLITWICK-LOWER-SCHOOL.NET

APPLICATION FOR A SCHOOL PLACE FOR 2021

Foundation Place

The application for children starting school in September 2021 is now open.

If your child was born between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017 you will need to apply for a school place by **15th January 2021**.

Transfer to Middle 2021 - Closing date **15 January 2021**

This is for all children in year 4 who will be transferring to middle school in September 2021. (Therefore all our families currently in year 4).

The application form is available on our website or you can apply online at www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/admissions

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These will be checked daily during the week and your queries /concerns responded to promptly. These may not be monitored over the weekend so if you email over the weekend you will have a response on the Monday.