



INGLETON C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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We would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Best Wishes for the New Year!

Dear Parent / Carer,



Our Schools App

Could we please ask that you have downloaded and have access to Our School App as we using this regularly to send messages and to keep you updated.

If you have a smartphone you can download OurSchoolsApp for FREE. It is a personalised app for our school and will allow us to keep you all updated with school information, news, calendar events and contact information.

Please click one of the links below, depending on what type of phone you have, to download the app.

- For Android devices: <http://bit.ly/1Q9dgcb>
- For Apple devices: <https://goo.gl/1FQgny>

Instructions for download:

- Using your device (iPad, iPhone, smart pad, tablet or android phone), visit the relevant marketplace for your product (Apple Store or Google Play).
- Search for 'OurSchoolsApp' and download the app.
- Once downloaded, us the search bar within the app and enter the postcode or the name of the school.
- Hit the search button.
- Once you see the school name displayed, just touch the screen on the school name.
- Confirm your choice by pressing 'OK'.
- You will now be presented with the correct app for your chosen school which contains news, information, calendar events, contacts and any other relevant details

Whole School Nativity

Nativity!

Historically, EYFS and Key Stage 1 pupils have performed our School Nativity, however this year we have decided in light of COVID, that we will create some magic and excitement for the children and will be performing a Whole School Nativity. We will be performing 'The Magical Christmas Jigsaw', which is an adapted Nativity that can be performed in Bubbles with each Class/Bubble performing two scenes. Due to current COVID restrictions we will be pre-recording the Nativity this year, with the performance showcased in School to children on **Tuesday 15th December**. As we are unable to invite parents in to watch the performance this year we will be holding a virtual screening. Further detail of this will follow. As a fundraiser for School funds, we will also be selling laminated photographs of children in their Nativity costumes. Again, further information about this will be given nearer the time via Our School App and your email.

Last week you should have received a letter detailing your child's part and details of their character's outfit, as well as a copy of the script for your child to practise at home. Please could we ask that if your child is asked to provide their own costume we are asking for this to be in School no later than **Monday 7th December** in order to allow for the outfit to be quarantined, and for us to conduct our Dress Rehearsal and record the actual performance in time for **Tuesday 15th December**.

If you have any questions or are unable to provide our child's costume, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Christmas Cards

Due to COVID restrictions we will have to make the following adjustments.

If children would like to send Christmas cards to one another please could we ask that all cards are brought into school on **FRIDAY 11TH DECEMBER AM ONLY**. I will put two cardboard boxes on each entrance gate on the morning. They will then be left 72 hours and sorted and distributed on **MONDAY 14TH DECEMBER PM**. Children are only allowed to send cards to those in their Bubble and any cards sent outside of these times will unfortunately not be handed out. We are putting these measures in place to protect both staff and children. Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Christmas Lunch

Christmas lunch will be served this year on **Tuesday 15th December**. If your child is currently on packed lunch but would like to have a Christmas dinner please let us know ASAP. The cut-off date is **Monday 7th December**. A meal charge of **£2.10** will be payable via ParentPay for children in Key Stage 2 (Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6). Reception / Key Stage 1 pupils can still receive a free meal under the Universal Infant Free School Meal scheme.



Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas jumper day is **Friday 11th December**. A donation of **£1 per pupil** has been suggested. All money raised will be going to Save the Children. Pupils can also wear their Christmas jumpers on Christmas lunch day (**Tuesday 15th December**).

Crisis – Christmas gift appeal <https://www.crisis.org.uk/>



A HUGE well done to Freddie, Archie and the whole school for their amazing fundraising efforts for Crisis. Crisis needs £28.22 per person to help provide them with a bed, food and friendship at Christmas. The boys initially wanted to raise enough money to support 4 people however I am pleased to inform you that we raised £349 in total and made enough to support 12 people!
ABSOLUTELY AMAZING WORK – WELL DONE EVERYONE!

Christmas Parties

Each Bubble will be having a Christmas party on **Thursday 17th December**. Pupils can wear a 'Party Outfit' to school this day. Rather than parents being asked to supply an item of food we thought due to COVID could we ask for a **donation of £1.50 via Parent Pay** and we will organise the food and drinks – thank you.

Stars of the Week (November)

Class 1: Freddie, Noah, Oliver J & Max

Class 2: Uma, Benjamin, Ralph & Archie

Class 3: Lucas, Amy V, Isabelle & Freddie

Well done everyone! Keep up the good work!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

11/12/20	Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day
15/12/20	Christmas Dinner Day / Pupils can wear Christmas Jumpers
17/12/20	Christmas Parties / Last day of term / Merry Christmas Everyone!
18/12/20	Teacher Training Day
04/01/21	School Reopens – Spring Term 1

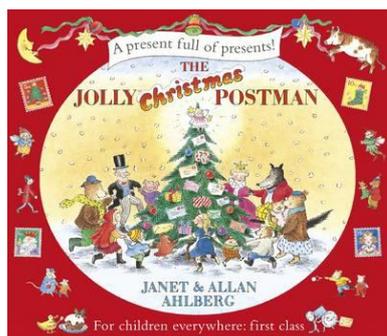
2020-2021 TERM DATES

HOLIDAY	CLOSING DATE	DATE RE-OPENS
Christmas 2020	Thursday 17 th December 2020	Monday 4 th January 2021
Spring half-term 2021	Friday 12 th February 2021	Tuesday 23 rd February 2021
Easter 2021	Friday 26 th March 2021	Monday 12 th April 2021
May Day 2021	Friday 30 th April 2021	Tuesday 4 th May 2021
Summer half-term 2021	Friday 28 th May 2021	Tuesday 8 th June 2021
Summer 2021	Tuesday 20 th July 2021	TBC

Advanced Notification of Teacher Training Days 2020-2021

- Friday 18th December 2020 *****
- Monday 22nd February 2021
- Monday 7th June 2021

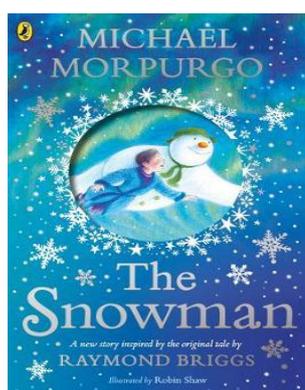
RECOMMENDED READS



THE JOLLY CHRISTMAS POSTMAN BY ALLAN & JANET AHLBERG

It's Christmas Eve and the Jolly Postman is delivering greetings to various fairy-tale characters - there's a card for Baby Bear, a game appropriately called 'Beware' for Red Riding Hood from Mr Wolf, a get-well jigsaw for hospitalised Humpty Dumpty and three more surprise envelopes containing letters, cards, etc.

Everyone's favourite postman keeps on peddling his bicycle up hill and down dale . . . and into everybody's hearts.



THE SNOWMAN BY MICHAEL MORPURGO

Beloved children's author Michael Morpurgo has re-imagined Raymond Briggs' classic The Snowman for a new generation of readers.

One December morning, James is thrilled to wake up to see snow falling. He spends the whole day making his perfect snowman; he has coal eyes, an old green hat and scarf and a tangerine nose... just like the snowman from his favourite story.

That night, something magical happens- the Snowman comes to life! He and James take to the skies on a magical adventure where they meet someone very special. Inspired by the timeless tale, Michael Morpurgo and Robin Shaw have created the perfect Christmas story for the whole family.

