



Dear Parents and Carers.

I hope that this newsletter finds you and your families safe and well.

The Parent App

I would like to remind all parents and carers about The Parent App. This is a fantastic app that gives you quick access to school newsletters, latest updates, and the school website. You can download it from the app store on an iPhone or on google play on an android phone.



Thank you

I would like to thank all members of our school community for their generous donations to our Christmas charity drives. Christmas Jumper Day raised £269.23 for **Save the Children**. And donations to **The John Taylor Hospice** (instead of buying and sending Christmas cards) raised £68.

Google Classroom

As we reach the end of our first week of using Google Classroom, I would like to thank all parents and carers who have been able to help their child access their virtual classroom from home. Unfortunately, there have been some technical issues relating to the access of the daily learning (called assignments) and joining the daily class video calls. However, through email and telephone communication with parents, staff have been able to support parents and carers with the difficulties that they have faced.

Your child will soon be able to watch a video which demonstrates how to add learning to their assignments before handing it in / turning it in. This video will be available on the class stream of their virtual classroom. Hopefully, this will reduce the need to take a photograph and send it to the class teacher using the class email address.

I understand that many pupils are still waiting for their access details to be delivered by the Royal Mail. As of Monday 25th January, you will be contacted by a member of staff from school, asking you to confirm whether you have received your parent guide for Google Classroom. If you have not received your guide, we will endeavour to send it to you electronically. The daily home learning will still be available on the school's website for the duration of next week.

If you have any further issues or queries regarding the use of Google Classroom, please either email your class teacher or telephone the school office. A member of staff will contact you as soon as possible.

I wish you all a happy, peaceful and enjoyable weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. J. Cusack