



# Chester le Street CE Primary School Newsletter

## Issue 11

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*Our Core Christian Values: Thankfulness ~ Friendship ~ Compassion ~ Service ~ Endurance ~ Wisdom*

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Happy Friday!

It has been quite the week at CofE. We welcomed back Year 5, however unfortunately we have had to isolate Year 3. We really feel the children have benefitted by our remote learning offer. I know the teachers have loved logging on and seeing the children daily, and have been amazed by their work ethic and resilience working from home. Remember we have devices available for loan for those isolating.

I understand the current situation is frustrating. We are all affected by this awful pandemic. During this difficult time, I ask that we join together to support each other to get through this, which we will.

Can I politely request that parents refrain from asking for information regarding positive cases. Unfortunately, we cannot give out personal information.

In terms of staff absence, I will let specific classes know if this is Covid related to allay any fears parents may have.

If we keep following the guidance we will get through this together.

### Diary Dates

**Tuesday 8th December**

Festive Fun Run

**Thursday 10th December**

Christmas Lunch/Christmas Jumper Day

**Friday 11th December**

Christmas Jumper Day

**Friday 18th December**

Inset Day School Closed

**Monday 21st Dec—Friday 1st Jan**

Christmas Holidays

### Prayer of the Week



Lord Jesus Christ,  
you taught us to love our neighbour,  
and to care for those in need  
as if we were caring for you.

In this time of anxiety, give us strength  
to comfort the fearful, to tend the sick,  
and to assure the isolated  
of our love, and your love,  
for your name's sake.

**Amen.**

We will be having a 'CofE Festive Fun Run' in school on Tuesday 8th December. Children may come to school wearing festive fancy dress, this could be something simple as a Santa hat or some more extravagant such as a reindeer onesie. We are asking children to be sponsored for this event to help us raise money for school funds, Christmas activities, and rewards for the children. Your child will bring home a letter and sponsorship form today.



Please ensure we have your correct details on record. Our main way to communicate with parents is via email, texting and social media. We have had a number of emails and texts fail to send due to the wrong contact details being on record. Please contact the school office if you need to change any contact details including address, telephone number or email address.

**ORDER**  
Online

All photograph proofs were sent home with children yesterday. If your child is in Year 3 they were sent home with siblings, if they do not have a sibling you should have received them in the post today. All orders made by Thursday 26th November (within 7 days) will be delivered to school free of charge. Orders placed after this date may incur a late order fee. Please note all orders must be made online. You can order your child's photo here: [www.tempest-orders.co.uk/](http://www.tempest-orders.co.uk/)

We are trying to arrange an alternative date for the children in Year 5, once we have confirmed this with the photographers we will inform parents/carers.



We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who donated to our toy swap. All toys are currently being disinfected and quarantined ready for our toy swap on Monday 23rd November. Further information can be found on our Facebook page.



If your child is having school meals or attending Breakfast club and After school club, this must be paid for in advance. Payment can be made online via Parent Pay or in cash at local stores where you see the PayPoint Logo. Please contact Mrs Sharp if you have any queries.



REMEMBRANCE DAY  
*Left We Forget*

A huge thank you to everyone who donated to the Poppy Appeal. We have raised a grand total of £345.44 Well done everyone!



We are also after some raffle ticket prizes, this can be anything from vouchers, hampers, gifts, gift cards, experiences, food and drink etc.

If any companies would like to donate we can advertise your company on our ever-growing social media pages. Our Facebook page currently has a following of 403 and our Instagram currently has a following of 187. Please contact the school office if you would like to make a donation.



### COVID GUIDANCE

Please can we gently remind all parents/carers to follow the Covid guidance below. Your child should not attend school if:

- ✗ Your child has Covid symptoms (high temperature, new continuous cough or a loss/change to their sense of smell and/or taste)
- ✗ Your child is awaiting test results
- ✗ Your child has tested positive for Covid
- ✗ Someone in your household has Covid symptoms
- ✗ Someone in your household is awaiting test results
- ✗ Someone in your household has tested positive for Covid

If you have been asked to self isolate you **MUST** do so, more information on self isolation can be found on our Facebook page.

If you have any queries relating to Covid, please go to <https://111.nhs.uk/covid-19/> for further advice, or ring 111.

A huge thank you again to all of those parents who are following the guidance. Your support in helping us keep your children and our staff safe is greatly appreciated.



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