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Lighting a spark in every child"

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Dear Parents and Carers

Christmas Performance and Google classrooms

Today you will receive information about Goggle Classrooms.

This explains how you can access google classrooms and also contains a step by step guide to logging on.

This system will be used to distribute the Christmas Performance as it is the secure basis on which the film can be shared with you, so please do have a go at logging on today.

The letter explains that the <u>user names and passwords will be in book bags</u> tonight so please do check as you will need these to access the system.

If your child is absent today, you will be sent a text or an email with your child's username and password. If you get stuck the letter says what to do as people are on standby to help.

Christmas hot chocolate and bedtime stories

If you are looking for some different books to enjoy for Christmassy hot chocolate story times, please read the attachment below from the local library.

Christmas production Mrs Rivers and Mr Rivers have masterminded the school production for us and we are delighted to share that with you. If you log on (using the google link you have tried out today) from 5pm tomorrow, you will be able to start the holiday period watching this with your child if you wish. We tried hard to ensure every child was included and comfortable in the production. I hope you will enjoy hearing the children tell the story of Christmas.

Festive Sporty day 'This is fantastic! I love this!' as spoken to me by a Year 3 child on Tuesday. We had great fun in the hall as each bubble took part in a selection of Christmas sporty events. It was a very happy day and thanks go to Mrs Dudley and Mrs Julians from organising the event.

Year 2 and afternoon Nursery

We have been so sorry not to be able to have the children with us this week and are grateful for the support Parent and Carers have given the school as we had to close these bubbles. The 12 staff we also have off site have been very sorry to miss the week of special activities with the children and we hope they, and all the children concerned, have happy and safe holidays too.

Christmas jumper day We had a super day in school yesterday and the children enjoyed a good lunch and wearing their jumpers too. Thanks for sending them in equipped for the day! Mrs Ojulah masterminded the production of great Christmas jumper day photo posters. We have enjoyed these in school and they have been shared with Year 2.

Children's song (So long farewell....) for Mrs Spencer

The children recorded a wonderful version of the song from the Sound of Music for Mrs Spencer's leaving event. It is so professional! Mrs Swift and her band provided the musical brilliance, and Eloise's Mum started it off with a gorgeous solo.

If you would like to hear them singing you can access this via the google link from 5pm tomorrow as well. Thank you so much to all who took part and who made this possible. I will treasure it.

Thank you to St. Georges Church who brought at pot of bulbs for every member of staff as a Christmas gift. We were very touched by your generosity and kindness.

Covid update

Home testing If you have seen in the news about home testing of children in school can I reassure you this relates to children at middle school and upper school and **NOT** to lower school children currently.

Covid reporting at Christmas. <u>Until Christmas Eve</u> it is still really important that you inform school if you or your child test positive for Covid. We have set up a separate email for you to inform us on and this is <u>covidreporting@toddstg.co.uk</u>

Please remember **after Christmas Eve you do not report** to school but test and trace – School will need to know about any symptoms or tests when we are back in school on January 5th 2021.

Moving house or changing a phone number Please be sure to keep us up to date if you have had a change of contact information over the holiday. Many thanks.

The school has been overwhelmed by the kindness and generosity of Parents and Carers. Staff are very grateful to you all. Staff will thank the children of course, and I will be writing to Parents and Carers separately to say a huge thank you too for the kindness shown to me as I leave school.

Jane Spencer Headteacher

Attachments: Christmas Books at the Library Central Beds Tier 3 information