



# Randwick Primary School: Resilience, Passion, Success



## NEWSLETTER

### Flu Vaccination information from Public Health England

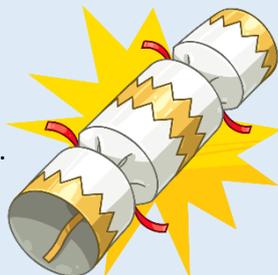
I wanted to provide you all with up-to-date information on shedding. We hope next year to book the Friday before half term but this is not always possible, and this year of course our friends in the immunisation team were less flexible than usual, for obvious reasons. We appreciate and respect parents' concerns, but it does have an impact on learning here.

#### 'Can unvaccinated contacts catch flu from the nasal spray droplets or from vaccinated individuals 'shedding' the virus?'

The nasal spray vaccine has a good safety record and unvaccinated contacts are not at risk of catching flu from the vaccine, either through being in the same room where flu vaccine has been given or by being in contact with a recently vaccinated individual. Although vaccinated children are known to shed virus for a few days after vaccination, it is less able to spread from person to person than the natural infection. The amount of virus shed is normally below the levels needed to pass on infection to others and the virus does not survive for long outside of the body. This is in contrast to natural flu infection, which spreads easily during the flu season. Excluding children from school during the period when the vaccine is being offered, or in the following weeks, is not necessary. The only exception to this would be the tiny number of children who are extremely immunocompromised (for example those who have just had a bone marrow transplant). These children are normally advised not to attend school anyway because of the much higher risk of being in contact with other infections, including natural flu infection, that spread in schools.'

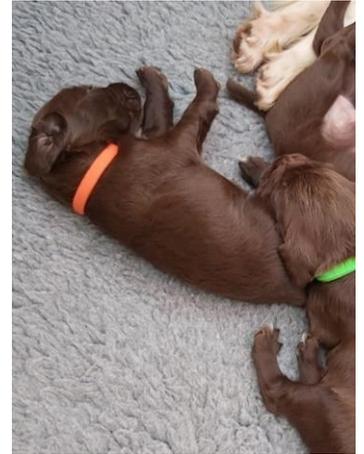
### Christmas dinner

The Christmas dinner will take place on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December. Menu details to follow!



### Our School Dog!

Here is a picture of Otto, our good news story coming this way after Christmas! More details to come nearer the time.



20 November 2020

### Christmas Cards

Children can send cards to other children in their bubble (eg Owls and Buzzards - bubble 1; Kestrels and Sparrowhawks - bubble 2) from the start of December, and post these into the letter box for their bubble on Monday, to be delivered to on Friday.

### Reading Passports

Congratulations to Leo in y6 who has received his £5 book token today for reading 7 of the 10 year 6 books! Please do encourage your child to read the books on their Reading Passports and to bring their passports in when they have read 7 or more so we can give them their £5 token. Great Christmas present ideas (support your local bookshops:

<https://www.stroudbookshop.com> and <https://yellowlightedbookshop.co.uk> )

### Cross Country

Well done to all the children in years 1 to 6 who last week took part in a race around the playing field set up by our friends at Atlas Sports. Well done to everyone who took part – it was a grim day and not an easy course to run around! The winners in each year group were:

- Y1 Hetty and Rufus
- Y2 Zofia, Leo and Ravi
- Y3 Coralie and Rupert
- Y4 Imogen and Jay
- Y5 Emily and Barney
- Y6 Evie-May and Leo

## Nativity

Children in Owls and Buzzards will be performing in our nativity performance on 7/12/20. This will be recorded and sent to parents as we won't be able to get together in the church as normal. Children are currently busy learning the songs (we can now sing inside as long as we are all facing one way!) and will soon begin learning their lines and actions. Thanks to our Owl and Buzzard team for making this happen – we look forward to seeing the recording soon!

## Film

Thank you for your support with this – Mike is still editing but the first cut is wonderful and we are looking forward to sharing this all with you soon. You will be sent a password secure copy for you to watch before we post onto our website for prospective parents. Our School Council are making a film with Miss Newbould next Wednesday which will be a child-led tour of the school and sit alongside our professionally produced film on the website.

## This week

In science this week, **Kestrel** class have been investigating the way that light is reflected. While the Year 3s had a fantastic time at forest school, the Year 4s have been developing their dance moves by learning and creating a routine to afrobeats music.



**Buzzard** class have been combining baking powder and vinegar to create a gas to inflate balloons.

## PFORS AGM

A big thanks to all those who joined the AGM on Tuesday, great turnout! The minutes will be circulated for those who couldn't make it. We still have a role to fill- Secretary. This must be filled in order for the charity to be registered. There is very little happening at the moment so a great time to get on board. Please email [pforsgroup@gmail.com](mailto:pforsgroup@gmail.com) for more info. Pfors meetings will continue via zoom once a half term. Thanks Kelly

## Families Gloucestershire magazine

Please see the link below to view the Nov/Dec 2020 digital issue of Families Gloucestershire magazine.  
<https://bit.ly/3npg0ds>

## Christmas

We will be buying a real tree for the hall at the start of December and decorating school as normal. Children, staff and parents are invited to wear their Christmas jumpers to school on Friday December 11<sup>th</sup> to raise money for the Stroud Food Bank. More details to follow.



**Sparrowhawk** class went for a wonderful walk to the Museum in the Park to meet a local artist and her exhibition Same sea: Different Boat. She explained about how the work was created and showed the children how to make their own.



## WEEKLY AWARDS



**Evelyn M** for her fantastic maths brain! She used very advanced language.



**Elsie** for always being respectful and friendly to staff and children alike.



**Jessica** for her fantastic use of tools in forest school.



**Phaedra** for being kind and helpful on the walk.



**Florence L and Daisy** for being so helpful at lunchtime.



**Holly** for being attentive in science.



**Poppy-May** for fabulous hard work and determination.