

Cantrell Primary School Newsletter 13th November 2020



REMOTE LEARNING – CLASS DOJO. We would like to encourage all parents to download the Class Dojo App. This is a free app which allows schools to communicate with parents in a variety of ways. We will be using this as a way of keeping in touch with parents about what is happening across school, as a way of sharing the learning that is taking place in your child's classroom, as a way of sharing homework with you and, in the event of closure to a year group bubble, as a means of uploading work that would need to be completed while isolating at home. A parent's guide was sent home with children yesterday.

YEAR 5 NEW AGE KURLING SESSIONS. These will take place in the hall on the morning of **Tuesday 17th November**, for children in classes 5A and 5B.

KS1 – YEAR 1 & YEAR 2 COMPUTER PASSWORDS. Children in Year 1 and Year 2 have passwords for Mathletics and Purple Mash in their Reading Diary. These will support their learning. Year 2 also have a TT Rock Stars password to help them learn their times tables. The passwords are stuck in on the green pages at the front of the Reading Diary. Please could you log on and try these sites at home and a big thank you to all those who have already logged on and used these sites. If you have any questions, please speak to the class teacher.

KS1 FAIRY TALE THEME. This half term children in Year 1 are learning about traditional Fairy Tales and children in Year 2 are learning about Twisted Fairy Tales e.g. was Red Riding Hood really nice and kind? Did the Big Bad Wolf really blow the houses down or did he just sneeze! If you have any Fairy Tales books at home, please could you share them with your child. You could also watch some of the films.

CHILDREN IN NEED. Like many things, BBC Children in Need has been affected by the coronavirus. We can still make a huge difference to children and young people that really need it whilst still staying safe and sticking to the guidelines. Thanks for your donations today, we'll let you know how much we've raised in a later newsletter. We'd really encourage you to tune in this evening, at **7pm on BBC1**, for the big appeal show that returns for a jam-packed evening of entertainment with an exciting line-up of familiar faces coming together to help raise money for disadvantaged children around the UK.

IT'S TIME TO SAY SHOO TO THE FLU! Changes have been made to make sure it's a safe environment for your child to have the flu vaccine at school. These changes include social distancing, hand washing and wearing protective equipment. The nasal spray flu vaccine is free on the NHS for all primary school children (Reception to Year 6). The Immunisation Team will be visiting school on **Tuesday 15th December**. Please help us to protect your children and our staff by completing the details on the following link which is available up to two days before the vaccination date: www.nottinghamshireimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu. Our school code is **NG122413**. The option to consent or decline the vaccination is at the end of the questionnaire so please complete the form even if you do not want your child to have the vaccination.

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Keeping well this winter – message from the Children's Public Health 0-19 Nursing Service. We are a team of specialist nurses and health professionals here to support the health and well-being of families with school aged children in Nottingham City. In the past we were known as 'School Nurses' but we don't just work in schools, we work with school and college aged children and young people up to the age of 19. This year has been a very strange and difficult time for all of us due to COVID-19! **We would also like to introduce our new TextHealth Messaging Service 07480 635002.** This is a confidential text service for parents and carers to ask questions about your child's health and well-being; parenting advice and support; child development and family health. The service operates between 8:30am and 5pm, Monday to Friday (excluding bank holidays). One of our Public Health Nurses will respond within 24 hours.

Christmas at Wollaton Hall Friday 27th November 2020 to Wednesday 6th January 2021. Open Tuesday – Sunday 4:30 – 10pm. Great news! Government has decided that outdoor Christmas illuminated trails can still take place, even in lockdown. This means the illuminated trail at Nottingham's Wollaton Hall will be able to go ahead. The team has been working tirelessly to ensure it can bring you a safe and magical experience at Wollaton Hall and Deer Park, and can't wait for you to visit in December as the formal gardens are transformed for the first time ever into an enchanted light spectacle. More information here: <https://www.visit-nottinghamshire.co.uk/whats-on/christmas-at-wollaton-hall-2020>