Dear Parents/Carers

Just a few wee reminders to help keep Fishermoss a Happy, Healthy and Safe Place to Learn. With our focus understandably so very much on COVID, we need to be sure we don’t forget other important safety matters.   We would be grateful if parents could please remember to avoid parking on the **Zig-Zag lines** at the front of the school. Please also remember the Staff Car Parkshould only be used by staff and disabled persons.  **Bourtree Car Park** is available for parents to park.

Please let’s keep remembering the importance of all of us making the right choices.  We know how difficult the current restrictions are for us all, especially where we can’t go into each other’s homes.  We are all being asked to remember, at all times, when we are out and interacting with other people, the FACTS rules:

* face coverings
* avoid crowded areas
* clean hands and surfaces
* two metre distancing
* and self-isolate and book a test if you have symptoms of the virus

**Thank you for continuing to remember the following…….**

**What should I do if my child is unwell?** If your child is unwell, please do not send them to school. If they have one of the three common symptoms of COVID-19 (coronavirus) - a continuous cough, a fever or high temperature or loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste (anosmia) - please follow the latest advice via <https://www.nhsinform.scot/coronavirus> and book a test. This website includes advice on what’s considered to be a fever in children.

If your child is unwell but they are not displaying symptoms of coronavirus, please keep them at home until they are back in good health. For vomiting and/or diarrhoea, as per normal circumstances, they should remain at home for at least 48 hours after symptoms have passed. This now also relates to a fever or high temperature (alongside a negative coronavirus result) and they should not return to school for at least 48 hours after symptoms have passed

Please continue to remember:

* **Staff or pupils who are, or who live with someone who is, symptomatic or a confirmed case of COVID-19 cannot attend school until self-isolation is over, or a negative test is received.**
* **Staff, pupils and parents/carers should not come to school if they or someone in their household has developed symptoms (new persistent cough or increased temperature)**

**Class Parties** are in full swing!  A wee reminder for classes with parties still to happen, remaining Parties will be held on the afternoon of the dates below 1:20-3:20pm. Pupils are welcome to wear ‘Party Clothes’ on the day of their party and they should come to school ready dressed!  Pupils who normally go home for lunch can choose to get changed then if they so wish.  Please be aware that party clothing and footwear should be suitable for playing outside at morning break and lunchtime.  Cosy layers always help!  As previously shared, Party Bags are being kindly provided by the PSC.

Party dates are as follows:

* Tuesday 15th P3 & P6/7
* Wednesday 16th P2
* Thursday 17th P6 & P7
* Friday 18th P1M & P1S

Monday’s on-line Assembly will be our Primary 1 **Nativity** being shared! If technology works, the Nativity will be made available to Parents of our Primary 1 pupils on Google Classroom for you to view in the evening from the comfort of your own home, as many times as you wish!

Our **Christmas Cinema** experience is happening on the morning of Tuesday 15th December.  For our Cinema trip pupils were used to eating their morning break snack while watching the movie.  Given we can pause the movies on Tuesday, pupils will be able to go out for their morning break and snack at 10:30am as normal.

Our **Christmas Church Service** will be very different this year.  We will have a recorded presentation from our Minister, some senior pupils doing live readings and some recorded musical pieces from our senior instrumental pupils.  Recordings of the musical items will be shared with the Parents of the children involved. I hope to be able to send the link to our Minister’s Presentation for parents to view towards the end of next week.

Thank you as always for your continued support.

Take care.

Kindest regards

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