

# King Edwin Primary School



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Dear Parents,

Firstly, I would like to thank you all for your continued support and for helping to make sure that your children are shielded from the obvious impact of the pandemic. We are now part way through this second lockdown and no matter what personal views people hold, our families are being sensible and positive regarding the restrictions and actions in place across our school.

## Nativity

We are attempting to create a whole school recorded Nativity by piecing together class parts and re-telling the traditional Christmas story in our own 'KingEdwinner' way. Please understand that we will be making reference to current times and acknowledging the many different issues dealt with in the past year or so.

Our Nativity will be socially distanced and all bubbles will remain 'un-popped' - who would have thought that I would ever be writing such a phrase like this eh... 'un-popped bubbles'?

Any parent that does NOT wish for their child to take part in these recorded pieces and indeed be part of the school production, must contact us via [helpandsupport@kingedwin.notts.sch.uk](mailto:helpandsupport@kingedwin.notts.sch.uk). We will be sharing the movie with all parents and potentially across social media and our website. We will not be able to prevent other parents sharing it either. We could however find ways that children could be included anonymously such as with a mask for example (connected to a scene that was being covered).

## Christmas Cards and traditional festivities

We will be allowing Christmas cards in school however, they must only be posted in class boxes. All cards must be posted before **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December**. They will be distributed a week later in a COVID secure manner.

I must ask that parents **DO NOT** send any member of staff a Christmas present or gift this year. There is never an expectation and whilst it is always lovely to receive a gift, it really is not the right time. It feels entirely inappropriate to accept any such gift, after all the restrictions put in place. Our staff would prefer any parent still intent on giving a gift... purchase a book from our school Amazon Wishlist so that our children can benefit instead- <https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/6F86Q4I3F03G2&sort=default>. Alternatively people may wish to donate to their local foodbank.

## Birthday Fun

Miss Hardy is making sure that all children with birthdays from September to November will be celebrated in a little 45 minute party at the end of the month and then at the end of term too. The short party won't be a crazy event but it will at least make sure that all those children missing out on the usual celebratory occasions, can have something that may cheer their hearts...and indeed everyone else's too.

## Keep it up everyone

Just a gentle reminder to keep up with all of our school procedures. We feel very lucky not to have had to close any bubble at present. The children are being very careful and we are all doing our best to keep each other safe whilst not overacting at all. We don't always get it right and there is always the odd error here and there but as a community, I am sure we are all in this together!



## Vodafone Wi-Fi

We have ordered 50 free SIM cards from Vodafone and they each have 30GB of data. The cards are ready to go in most mobile devices and can be used to deliver a hotspot for up to 90 days. It should offer some decent Wi-Fi solutions for families with minimal access to the internet. We expect that the SIM cards will be best used in the event that a bubble has to close.

Please keep us informed of any person in your household that becomes symptomatic or is impacted by the virus. Please also get in touch if you need any further support and please help us to help you by following the government guidance as much as you can.

Remember that during these unprecedented times, we are here for our community. You can contact us via [helpandsupport@kingedwin.notts.sch.uk](mailto:helpandsupport@kingedwin.notts.sch.uk). We will try to signpost parents and help wherever possible. \*All communication will remain confidential.

Stay safe and take care everyone,

Mr Callaghan-Wetton

