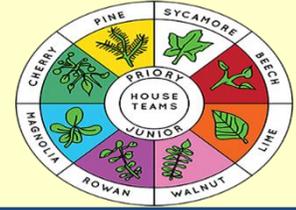




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It's Christmas jumper day or if you don't have a jumper festive clothes day today in school. It's starting to feel a lot like Christmas! Many thanks for all your generous donations to this day which will be sent to the Save the Children appeal. Next week will be getting into the Christmas mood in our last week of the term. Classes will be having a party day on Tuesday and having Christmas activities in their classes and bubbles. We will miss being able to celebrate Christmas as a whole school together but I know the staff team as always are making it special for the children in their classes. As mentioned by text yesterday the Government only in the last couple of days had suggested we might want to swap an INSET day to next Friday 18th December. The main reason behind this was because school leaders have been asked to be 'on call' for 6 days after Friday 18th December to assist with track and trace with any Covid cases right at the end of term. Remaining on call for 6 days if we are in school Friday means us being on call on Christmas Eve therefore the option to close that day to children was offered by the Government. The Governors and senior leaders felt at such short notice this would inconvenience working parents and we have plans already for the INSET days later in the year and were keen not to lose those training opportunities. **Therefore, we WILL be open next Friday 18th December. Between Saturday 19th – Thursday 24th December please can you report any positive Covid cases through the text system NOT on the answer machine as we will be on call but not necessarily in school. Many thanks for your help with this.**

Can I finally make a quick plea about being on time which I know gets harder as we get nearer to the end of term – my own son is getting slower and slower at getting up! If children are late and coming in through the front entrance as was the case this week we then have a number of children coming in together from different bubbles which is not ideal. Please try to arrive at the allocated time and the allocated entrance. Hope you have a restful weekend – take care Mrs Brown.

Toy Drive- Here is a just a selection of the fantastic toys that you have donated for our toy drive – an amazing effort and thank you so very much. My thanks also to Sharleen Whiley for organising the drive. We will working alongside Phoenix Infants school to ensure that the toys are distributed to ensure that children in our two schools and also in our local community will have something to open at Christmas.

