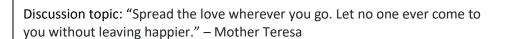
KIRKLEES METROPOLITAN COUNCIL EDUCATION SERVICE HANGING HEATON CE (VC) JUNIOR AND INFANT SCHOOL

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Covid update

No cases in school over the past week and I am pleased to report that we appear to have have fewer children and families self isolating. This seems to reflect the figures within our local community and hopefully means that things seem to be getting slightly better for the moment after all our efforts over the past few months.

In other good news, a vaccine has been approved and we do see some light at the end of the tunnel. At this stage though, we are told normality is still some way off and there is a need for restrictions to keep us as safe as possible.

We are still in "Tier 3 – Very high risk" and need to continue to bring those infection rates down so please do stick to the rules especially households not mixing indoors. This unfortunately means not inviting children round to homes at the moment, even if they are in the same bubble, as this would increase contacts. Christmas in school cannot and will not be the same as usual but we all love that magical school Christmas feeling and will try our best to create it in our own pod ways!

<u>Christmas Bauble Competition –</u> I loved looking at the baubles and it made my judging task extremely difficult this year! Congratulations to Mia, Zac, Vivienne, Isabella and Emmie for winning their class competitions!

Should you wish to speak to myself or any other member of staff, please contact the school office on 01924 463035 to arrange an appointment. Thank you

Christmas Jumper Day

On Friday, 11th December, in support of "Save the Children", children may wear Christmas jumpers or jumpers decorated to look Christmassy (don't go buying one especially for the occasion!) in exchange for a donation of £1 to the charity. Children should wear normal school uniform with Christmas jumper replacing school cardigan or jumper. Class 5 should wear PE uniform and may wish to bring a spare PE jumper for the afternoon.

<u>Christmas Cards</u>: Children may bring in cards to distribute to people in school even if not in their bubble. These must be handed to teachers by 10th December so we can give them out on the 17th.

<u>Christmas Performance</u> – this year we will be holding a recorded Christmas performance instead of our usual KS1 nativity and Carol concert. All children will be able to take part <u>if they have permission to be filmed</u>. This will then be sent to parents for their own viewing and must not be shared on social media.

<u>Christmas class events</u> – Obviously this year we will not be able to hold our key stage parties but classes will have events going on in their classrooms. All children are invited to come to school in their party clothes on Friday, 18th December. Please make sure that children have a warm coat and suitable shoes for playing out.

"Let all that you do be done in love"