

Durand Primary School

Newsletter

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Learning Together, Achieving Together
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It is very difficult to comprehend that we are already in the second half term of this school year. It has been wonderful to see all of our Durand School family over the last half term and the beginning of this one!

Our main aim still remains to keep everyone as safe as we possibly can and I thank everyone for helping us in this quest!

Harvest Donations

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who donated an item / items for the Caldicot Food Bank which was our Harvest this year. They really appreciated our contributions.

Children in Need

Just to remind everyone that it is Children in Need on Friday 13th November and we will be celebrating this by asking pupils to come to school in brightly coloured non-school uniform clothing. We will **not be collecting donations in school** for this but ask that if parents wish to make a donation they make it through the official BBC Children in Need channels. Many thanks.



Safety

We are committed to providing a Safe and Secure environment for everyone within our school family. Could I therefore please request your co-operation with the following:

- Verbal abuse will not be tolerated on school premises and Police may be contacted should any cases be witnessed or reported.
- Endeavour to maintain an appropriate social distance, wherever possible, and to continually 'free flow' around the school site at the beginning and end of the day.
- Leave the school site straight away and not congregate either on site or just outside.

I appreciate your support with these matters.

Christmas

Christmas in school will be very different this year although we will be trying to make it as special as restrictions allow. **Unfortunately we will not be able to hold our Christmas concerts in the usual way with a live audience of parents /family members.** However, we are already working on putting together videos, which will be filmed in sections within class 'bubbles'. This will be edited into one show, to send home securely via the pupils' Hwb email addresses. The children in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 will be performing the story 'The Nutcracker', the children in Reception, Years 1 & 2 will be enacting the traditional Nativity Story and our Nursery children will be performing a little Nativity.



Photos

Earlier this week our pupils had their photo taken in school, both individual and with their in-school sibling(s). We are expecting to receive the proofs of these in the next few days. Once received we will send them out to you with a reminder on how to order directly with Wye Valley Studios. Many thanks.

Parent Governor

We have **one vacancy for a Parent Governor** on our Governing Body. If anyone is interested in putting themselves forward for this position could you please email the school to **request a nomination form by Friday 20th November** and we will send you a **form for completion and return by Friday 27th November**.

The school email address is durandprimary@monmouthshire.gov.uk

Many thanks to you all for your continued support!

**Mrs Allison Waters
Headteacher**