



# Weekly Update

13th November 2020

## Children in Need—Friday 13th November

It has been lovely to celebrate BBC Children in Need today. Many thanks to everyone who has helped to support the event and donated. You can pay the £1 donation on your Eduspot account.



## Reception 2021

Please see attached information from the Local Authority admission team regarding Reception places for September 2021. Please check the website for virtual tours dates.

## Book Fair

We are hosting a Scholastic Book Fair and hope that you will be able to find some books that you would like to purchase in a slightly different way. The Book Fair magazine and order form was sent out on Monday. You will be able to browse through the magazine with your child and choose the books that are relevant for their age group. If you want to know a little bit more about them you can click on the link to hear some of our favourite authors read one chapter from their books to give you a sneak peek of some of the books you can order through the Book Fair.

When you have made your choice fill out the order form at the back of the magazine including your child's name, class and parent's name and return it to school showing the method of payment you have used – see below.

There are three ways of paying for your books: by cheque, by Gift Vouchers or by Phone. **Please do not send cash** Please take a look at the letter for more details.

## The Lexicon Christmas Art Competition

The Lexicon annual art competition is open to children aged between three and twelve and this year there will be ten winners. The winning designs will form part of a bespoke Christmas Tree on Braccan Walk at The Lexicon from Thursday 26 November 2020. As a school we are entering 8 designs from each year group including the nursery so fingers crossed and good luck to all!

## Friends

Friends met on Tuesday for the AGM and elected Lucy Potter as Chair, Maria Lewis as Vice Chair, Lisa Silk-Hale and Anil Saksena as Secretaries, Alex Perrett and Shelley Taylor as Treasurers. The next meeting will be on Tuesday 15th December at 7pm via Zoom.

Upcoming Events:

- BINGO Fun for all of the Family! Friday 20th November at 18:30 via Zoom. The Friends Team will be selling game cards and dabbers from Monday next week in the bottom playground at pick up for just £1.
- End of Term dress up day and class parties (plus online Pantomime)



If you are buying any Christmas gifts online, EasyFundraising is an easy way for Friends to raise money. Simply register Friends as your preferred charity. Remember, help Friends to raise money for the upcoming plans to update the outdoor areas of the school.



# A few reminders.....

## Lunch

Please remember to order lunch at home by midnight the day before and ensure all meals are 'checked out' even if it is a free school meal. Please can parents discuss meal choices with their child to ensure they will eat the meal that you have ordered. Christmas lunch is now available to order online on Wednesday 16th December. If you have already ordered for that day, please re-order for Christmas lunch.

## COVID19 Test results

If you are waiting for a test—the whole family needs to self-isolate until you have the test results. Please send any test results in via [COVIDtest@birchhillprimaryschool.co.uk](mailto:COVIDtest@birchhillprimaryschool.co.uk)

## Recording Absence

Please register any absence via the online form available on the website at <https://www.birchhillprimaryschool.co.uk/page/?title=Report+your+child+absent&pid=313>

## PE KIT

Can we please remind parents that children should wear plain t-shirts and jogging bottoms for PE.

# Dates

Y4 Residential Meeting (Virtual)	6.00-6.45pm Thursday 19th November
Scholastic Virtual Book Fair	Wednesday 11th November—Friday 20th November
Anti-Bullying Week	WB Monday 16th November
Friends Virtual Bingo	6:30pm Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> November
Y5 residential Meeting (Virtual)	4.30-5.15pm Thursday 26th November
Bikeability training Y6	Monday 23rd, Tuesday 24th & Wednesday 25th November
Christmas Bazaar	Friday 4th December
Christmas Lunch	Wednesday 16th December
End of Term	Friday 18th December