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Christmas Newsletter

Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome to the week in which we will enter December!

I am absolutely determined that, although we have to approach Christmas in a different way this year, it is even more important that we give the children a fantastic Christmas experience. We, as a school, have made lots of arrangements so that both they - and you - can enjoy the Christmas experience in school. Full details are on the attached flyer. Advent calendars are already in classrooms and assembly today was about Advent.

All the usual favourites will be happening: Presentation Assembly, Christmas Lunch, Christmas Concerts, the panto. The children will be having a different type of Christmas party this year, but we can guarantee they will have fun in a COVID-secure way. We will also have some extra-special visitors as part of our celebrations; but don't worry as we will continue to take all the necessary safety precautions to keep your children safe.

There will be no large tree in the atrium this year, as this cannot be seen by the majority of children in the school. Instead, every class has their own tree and the children will be making the decorations for this. Our intention was to have a Christmas Tree Trail around school this year, but this will now be virtual too, to allow the children to see each others' trees.

Throughout our celebrations, we will be mindful of children who do not celebrate Christmas and will make the necessary arrangements to ensure they do not take part in any active worship. However, please let Sarah Winterbourn know which parts of the celebrations you wish your child to be removed from. Thank you.

All children will bring a present home from school, during the last week of term. We are quarantining gifts and will endeavour to keep them as secure as possible. However, should you wish your child to not receive a gift, please email Sarah Winterbourn (mrs.winterbourn1@thegrangeschooldaventry.net) and let her know. We would prefer that you did not bring in presents for the staff and would urge you to make a donation to Daventry Food Bank if you and your child wish to.

I am sure that we will all manage to bring lots of festive cheer to the school over the next few weeks and I know for a fact that each and everyone of us deserves a happy and cheerful end to a difficult and challenging year. I look forward to sharing these new Christmas experiences with you all and ask you all to join in with the jollity, by wearing your Christmas jumpers, hats, scarves and face coverings!.

Kind regards,

Vicki