

HOWLETCH LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL NOVEMBER 2020



This Friday is 'Children in Need' day and children can come to school wearing non-uniform – NO fancy dress or pyjamas. In the present circumstances we will not be accepting cash donations but we will accept a donation to the local foodbank, e.g. tins, packets of dried food or other non-perishable items. Please send donations in to school either tomorrow or Friday.

PARKING

We have had yet more complaints about parking around the school. Please park in the designated bays and not on the pavements or in front of gates.

SOCIAL DISTANCING/FACE COVERINGS

We have had complaints about some parents/carers unwilling to observe social distancing when dropping off and collecting children. We would like to remind everyone to drop off/collect children at the allocated times, remain 2 metres from others and leave promptly without stopping to chat. We would also urge you to wear a face covering to protect yourself and others.

CHRISTMAS

This year will be different with no Christmas Fair or performances but we will still try to celebrate in school. Decorations will go up on Tuesday 1 December and during the last week or two, each year group bubble will have a party. Children will come dressed in non-school uniform as they will not be able to change so we advise that they wear appropriate clothing for outdoor breaks and lunchtime rather than party clothes. We won't ask pupils to bring food into school as this wouldn't be sensible at present but there will be party games in the hall on the afternoon.

More details will be given nearer the time.

Christmas lunch will be served on Wednesday 9 December. If your child currently brings a packed lunch but would like to have a Christmas roast dinner with trimmings, you must order by email <u>o.howletch200@durhamlearning.net</u> by Friday 27 November. Your ParentPay account will be charged £2.10 and payment must be made in advance. Children who prefer a packed lunch will still be able to join in with the festivities in the dining hall.