



I can hardly believe that we are fast approaching the Christmas holiday. The term has been long and over the last few weeks, a

variety of illnesses have taken hold across the school. It is not unusual to have the winter illnesses at this time but we are obviously all on high alert to certain symptoms and all want to make the Christmas break healthy and well.

Please remember that if your child is unwell:

- do not send them into school.
- when you call to let us know why they are absent you must tell us the reason. All attendance has to be reported daily to the Department for Education.
- If your child displays any Covid-19 symptoms then we expect you to get a PCR test immediately.
- Pupils should return to school only when they are well and have a negative PCR result. You must also tell us the outcome for our records whatever it is.

Please be supportive of this in protecting our school community. No one wants to be ill and they certainly don't want to be poorly over the Christmas break. Thank you.



Thank you to everyone who contributed items to go into the time capsule. On Tuesday, the official burial ceremony with Berkeley Homes took place. Here is the School Council proudly showing off the capsule.



Once again, this weekend, Holy Cross Church will be running their Christmas Tree Trail around the parish and invite you to take part. Please see the Holy Cross Facebook page @holycrosschurchnorthbersted which has lots of information on there for you. The trail will start at the church and you will need to follow the map.

Holy Cross Church - Christmas Tree Community Trail

Events Coming Up:

- Bartons Got Talent: Tuesday 14th December
- Last day of Term: 16th December Happy Holidays!
- Back to School: 4th January. Science Week.
- Internet Safety Day: 8th February •
- HALF TERM: 21st 25th February. School closed
- INSET Day: 28th February. School closed.

Christmas Production: 'Lights, Camel, Action!'

The Christmas production 'Lights, Camel, Action!' by Beech, Chestnut and Hazel classes has now been completed and filmed. The final edits and finishing touches are being done and so we will be able to make the link available to you next week. The children were brilliant and with so many children absent at times, there was a lot of swapping around of parts. Well done to the children who stepped in to do other parts at short notice. Thank you for your help in providing costumes and for supporting the children with learning all of their words. They all looked fantastic and the singing was enthusiastic and beautiful!

Huge thanks to Mrs Reynolds, Miss Grimsey and Mrs Hazelden for organising the whole thing and to Miss Windeatt, Mrs Cook, Mrs Terry, Mrs Shaw, Mrs Spencer and Mrs Olliver for co-ordinating costumes, props and filming. Whilst it is hard work, it is wonderful to have a production once again and we hope that you enjoy watching it.

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Have a great weekend! Best wishes Kate Powell