



ALBERT PRIMARY SCHOOL

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A huge thank you to everyone who has supported us through the self-isolation closures last week. I'm sure you all share in our frustrations, but nonetheless have risen to the challenge of keeping everyone safe, healthy and learning, whether it be in school or at home. Please find below updates informing you of adaptations we are having to make to our usual end of Autumn term arrangements:

Christmas Jumper Charity Day 2020

The official Charity Christmas Jumper Day is Friday 11th December. We ask you make a donation to the charity 'Save the Children' via their website:

[Pay in your Christmas Jumper Day fundraising \(savethechildren.org.uk\)](https://www.savethechildren.org.uk)

Children can then continue to wear Christmas jumpers, if they choose, until we break up at the end of term.

Christmas Lunch

Christmas Lunch will be served on Friday 11th December. The cost of the meal is £2.35 and this can be paid via your ParentPay account. Please ensure you have booked your child a dinner by **Friday 4th December** via the link sent out to you in previous correspondence.

Christmas Cards

We know how many children like to bring in Christmas cards at this time of year.

We would in the first instance encourage them to email a Christmas message to their friends via their HWB email accounts.

If this is not an option and your child brings in cards then the following process will have to operate to reduce the risk of transmission:

- Cards can only be given to children in their own contact bubble (class). Please ensure names are clear.
- Cards will be stored in a box in the class and will then be given out by staff after an adequate period of quarantine [72 hours]. *The last day to bring in cards will be Friday 11th December.*
- Please **do not** under any circumstances lick the envelopes. They can be tucked in, stuck with tape or Christmas self-adhesive stickers. *Any sealed cards will not be distributed.*

Please do not give/accept cards on the playground. Please explain the above to your child.



Concerts

Due to the numbers of children and staff self isolating at this time we will not be in a position to produce Christmas Concerts. It is hoped that we will be able to release a 'Christmas Slideshow' of children wearing their Christmas jumpers / colours etc [if they have had consent]. On the last day of term Mr Gilbert will be hosting a virtual Christmas Story for classes to join in with. Children can wear either normal uniform / Nativity story costumes [*please do not purchase these specially*] / or continue to wear their Christmas jumpers.

IMMERSION DAY [Years 1 to 6]

Regrettably, due to the class / staff self-isolation procedures put into place last week, the planned Immersion Day had to be postponed. These unique pupil/teacher curriculum planning opportunities will now take place on Friday 8th January when we return after the Christmas holiday.

Harvest Service : Foodbank Donations

We would like to thank everyone for their kind donations. The food will help many families through this difficult time.

Autumn Term Diary

Wednesday 9th December - Flu Vaccinations

Friday 11th December - 'Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day'

Friday 11th December - Vale Catering Christmas Dinner

Thursday 17th December - Class 'Bubbles' - Christmas Activity Day

Friday 18th December - School closes for Christmas [reopens Monday 4th January 2021]

Reminder

Finally, just a reminder that the flu immunisation will take place in school on Wednesday 9th December for those who have completed consent forms. You can find more information by following this link:

www.phw.nhs.wales/services-and-teams/beat-flu/children

