

2021

# Cawston Primary Academy

## November News



### Diary Dates

Remembrance Service  
St Agnes' 3pm  
Sunday 14th November

Shoebox completion date  
Monday 15th November

Flu-Vaccines R to Y6  
Friday 19th November

Messy Church  
Thursday 9th December  
More info will follow

School Carol Concert  
St Agnes' 6pm  
Monday 13th December

Christmas Dinner  
Jumper Day  
Sycamore, Poplar and  
Oak  
Tuesday 14th December

Christmas Dinner  
Jumper Day  
Hazel, Beech and Alder  
Wednesday 15th  
December

End of term  
Friday 17th December

**Start of Spring Term**  
**Thursday 6th January**  
**(N.B. Change of Date)**

February Half-term  
14th—18th February

Easter Holiday  
Monday 4th April -  
Tuesday 19th April

### Thank you

As we begin the second half of the Autumn term I want to begin by thanking our school community - church, parents, staff, governors and pupils - for your conduct through these extraordinary times. I know that we all want the pandemic over with and the majority of us have been fortunate enough to not have felt its effects, but with the levels in Norfolk still rising the Local Authority have revised the guidance we need to follow.

Therefore, this half term we will:

- Resume masks being worn onsite by all eligible adults, so please wear a mask for pick

up and drop off. Please keep your distance from each other aswell.

- Request you avoid entering the school building to continue to keep all safe and covid free. If you have a question for the office then please phone in or communicate on MyEd.
- Keep the school well ventilated - therefore ensure children are dressed warmly including a tracksuit over PE shorts and t-shirt on their

PE day.

- Continue hand washing and sanitising, available at all entry points into the school.
- Continue to divide the school in half and reduce the amount of mixing in each half.
- Ask that if your child is feeling unwell that they are kept at home and if they are exhibiting **any** of the three symptoms - **Persistent cough; High temperature; Loss of taste and smell** - then please get them tested.

Please note that we are working with you to ensure your children are kept safe. These are preventative measures not an outbreak response. By being extra vigilant at this point we are hoping to **avoid** an outbreak and possible lockdown. We are also wishing for a near normal Christmas. Thank you for your cooperation and support as always.



# SHOEBOX GIFT IDEAS

As part of our Courageous Advocacy work we are always looking at what we can do to help others. As Christmas is a time for giving we thought we would support

## **Samaritan's Purse - Operation Christmas Child**

and work together as a school to fill as many shoe boxes as we can. Therefore I have allocated each class a category to choose from to make it more collaborative. Please observe the 'do not include' items as the boxes go to children all around the world so have to comply with customs regulations as well as considering cultural and religious contexts. Please also don't include used items. If you could donate an empty shoebox for us to fill that would be very much appreciated. All boxes/items need to be in school

by **Monday 15th November** for collection.

Please help us make a difference to as many children as we can this Christmas.

Thank you.



**DO NOT INCLUDE:** Toothpaste, sweets, lotions and liquids; used or damaged items; war-related items; seeds, gum, chocolate or food items; religious or political literature; medicines, aerosol cans, sharp or fragile items.

## **Oak/Hazel**

### **Sycamore/Alder**

**SPECIAL ITEM:** Something to immediately capture the child's attention e.g. a cuddly toy, large toy car or truck, a rag doll, a deflated football and pump, a solar-powered torch.

#### **HYGIENE ITEMS:**

Toothbrush, hairbrush, comb, bar of soap, flannel, sponge, washmitt, chapstick, compact mirror (ensure protected).



**TOYS:** Skipping rope; tennis ball; building bricks/Lego type kit; click together model; glider kit (non-military); bead kit; play people; animal figures; dinosaurs; foldable play mat e.g. farm, zoo, city or racetrack; transport toys e.g. car, train, plane, truck or boat; plastic doll; hand or finger puppets; play dough (ideally with cookie cutters and play tools); toy tools; slinky; yo-yo; dominoes; spinning top; kaleidoscope; toy binoculars; finger skateboard; wind-up or pull-back toy; bouncy ball; inflatable beach ball; small frisbee, small kite, interactive toys that include push buttons, lights and noise (include extra batteries).

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND CREATIVE ACTIVITIES:** Pencil case; crayons; writing pens and pencils; colouring pens and pencils; highlighters; child friendly pencil sharpener; ruler; eraser; glue stick (not liquid glue); safety scissors; small adhesive tape; notebook; drawing pad; colouring book; solid paint palette and paint brushes set; pre-inked stampers; pavement chalk; whiteboard and dry wipe pens; stencils; mini Spirograph kit; solar calculator; stickers.

### **Poplar/Beech**

**ACCESSORIES:** Baseball cap; sunglasses; woolly hat, gloves, mittens, scarf; hair ties, bows and dress-up headbands; small backpack, handbag or drawstring bag; purse or wallet; children's jewellery, watch, reusable non-breakable containers e.g. cup, water bottle, plate, bowl; small items of clothing e.g. socks, flip-flops, T-shirt.

**GAMES:** Card games, small puzzles, puzzle cubes, jacks, mini board games, etc.