



# Cuffley School

# NEWSLETTER

*Learning to Learn*

*3<sup>rd</sup> December 2020*

## Christmas Hamper Collection



This year we are very aware that people's lives have been adversely affected due to Covid-19. Therefore, inspired by one of our lovely parents, we have come up with a plan!

We would like to organise and distribute Christmas hampers, filled with festive treats, to families who have had to face additional struggles due to the pandemic. We know that many of our families have suffered job losses, with the financial issues that this brings; as well as working through a variety of other things, such as health problems, bereavements and so on. This is our opportunity, as a school community, to support each other. We really hope that you want to help us.

We are asking for donations of the following items:

- Hamper baskets*
- Store vouchers*
- Biscuits*
- Tea and coffee*
- Sweets/chocolates*
- Christmas selection boxes*
- Wines and spirits*
- Jams*
- Festive cakes and puddings*
- Dried fruits*
- Pickles & Chutneys*
- Savoury crackers*
- Christmas crackers*

All donations should be placed in a bag and be dropped off in the office foyer **by the morning of Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December at the latest.**

We can then make up the hampers and then quarantine them (in line with guidance) before distributing them at the end of the week.

If you are a parent/carer who has been affected by the pandemic and would like a hamper, please e-mail [head@cuffley.herts.sch.uk](mailto:head@cuffley.herts.sch.uk). **All requests received will be treated in the strictest confidence (so please come forward).** All hampers will be delivered by our Christmas elves to your front door.

## Christmas Jumper Day

*Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December*



We will be holding our Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December. On that day, which will be a **non-uniform** day, children are invited to wear Christmas jumpers. Voluntary contributions can be put into the collection boxes that will be held in each classroom. Any contributions made will go to the [Save the Children](https://www.savethechildren.org.uk) charity.

**Don't forget to wear your Christmas jumpers!**

## Christmas Cards

This year cards can **only** be exchanged in year group bubbles. Please bring these in to your class by 14<sup>th</sup> December. Unfortunately they cannot be exchanged across the school.

## Christmas Tree

We have received a beautiful Christmas tree from Mr Wingate (Harry Lynch's grandad). Thank you Mr Wingate for bringing some festive cheer to Cuffley.

## Christmas Party

This year all Christmas parties will be held in their year bubbles. Children can come to school in their party clothes (on their party day) but please remember they must wear sensible shoes and warm coats as they will still be going outside to play.

## Online Safety

We have all be online so much this year, particularly our children who have worked and played online. Whilst the technology has literally saved the day, there are also downsides. Children do need supervision to make sensible choices. Sadly, some have not and we see the fall out at school. Please check your children's technology and keep them safe. Go to [THINK U KNOW](#) for lots of helpful advice.

## School Dinners/Packed Lunch

If you child wishes to change dinner provision, please inform us by e-mail at [admin@cuffley.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@cuffley.herts.sch.uk). We require a half term's notice.

## Voluntary One-Way System

Many of our parents are struggling to get to school in time as they face lots of traffic on the way into school. Please help everyone out by following the voluntary one-way system until 9:15am each morning.

## Considerate Parking

We are seeing a substantial rise in complaints from local residents who are unable to access their own drives and designated parking spaces. This adversely affects the school's reputation. Please do not park in allocated spaces, on drives (yes really!) or block drives. Thank you.

## Magic Moment

This week it has been wonderful hearing all the festive singing around school as children are rehearsing for their Christmas performances. We can't wait for you to see their efforts! Watch out on Google Classroom in the last week of term.

## PTA Update

Thank you so much to the new wave of PTA members who want to support our school community. We are absolutely delighted.

Please welcome the new **PTA officers**:

**Chair:** Louise Hammond

**Vice-chair:** Jade Warden

**Treasurer:** Sarah Ball

**Secretary:** Ben Roberts

## Children in Need -



We raised a fantastic £772 this year for Children in Need. Thank you for your support

## Fundraising for the School

Help Cuffley School raise funds for equipment, workshops and other resources, which are not covered by the school budget, in order to enhance every child's experience and learning whilst they are with us. Join [easy fundraising](#) and you can collect free donations for us every time you buy something online. It won't cost you a penny extra, so please help us to raise funds. You simply log in to: [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/cuffleyschool/](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/cuffleyschool/) and start shopping. By linking the site to your shopping, the school automatically receives a small donation. We really appreciate your help!

### What's On

09/12/20	Flu Nasal Spray *
10/12/20	Christmas Dinner
11/12/20	Christmas Jumper Day
14/12/20	Year 4 Christmas Party
15/12/20	Year 3 Christmas Party
15/12/20	Nursery Christmas Party
17/12/20	Reception Christmas Party
17/12/20	Year 1 Christmas Party
17/12/20	Year 2 Christmas Party
17/12/20	Year 5 Christmas Party
17/20/20	Year 6 Christmas Party
<b>18/12/20</b>	<b>END OF TERM</b> <b>1:15-1:30pm finish</b>
<b>04/01/21</b>	<b>INSET Day</b>
05/01/21	Children return to school at normal times
w/c:	
15.02.21	HALF TERM
26/03/21	<b>END OF TERM</b> <b>1:30pm finish</b>

\* This is for children who did not receive the spray in

### Payment deadline dates

School Dinners

Ongoing