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| Bridgemere CE Newsletter  ‘I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me’  Philippians 4v13  December 2020 | | | Dates coming up:  Wednesday 16th December –  School closes for Christmas holiday  Monday 4th January –  School reopens  Spring term  Friday 12th February-  Break up for half term |
| Dear Parents/Carers  Welcome to the December newsletter. I would like to say a great thank you to everyone who has helped us get through this term! Coming back in September with all the unknowns of what would happen was extremely daunting but as a school community we have pulled together fantastically to ensure everyone has been kept safe. So I would like to thank all the children for their patience and abiding by the bubble rules, staff for their endless hard work and dedication and parents for supporting us in every way that you have. I wish you all a relaxing Christmas and hope that you manage to see loved ones and a peaceful new year where we can unwind and take some time to be together as a family. I look forward to welcoming you all back in January, let’s hope 2021 will allow us to get school back to a little more normality!  **Nativity / KS2 Carol Service**    Please note that the Nativity and KS2 Carol Service are on the school website for you to view from the comfort of your own home. It has certainly been different this year in filming and producing a video rather that a live performance but the children have all embraced and enjoyed telling the Christmas story in a different way. Thank you to staff for their hard work in pulling everything together.  **‘Friends of Bridgemere’ News**    The winners of the November 100 Club Lottery draw are 1st prize to Mrs Hak, 2nd prize to Mrs Rowley, 3rd prize to Jon Furber, 4th prize to Mr Keith Williamson. December winners are 1st prize to Tina Mort, 2nd prize to Mrs P Cornes, 3rd prize to Chris Spencer, 4th prize to Emma Lewis. Well done!  Thank you to everyone who bought raffle tickets. The draw has taken place and the winners are:  Hamper: Peter Driver, Sleepover voucher: Gemma Stockdale, Cheerbrooks Voucher: John Moss, Bottle of Whisky: Suzanne Dale “Raff Gran”  Our fundraisers this term have been a very kindly supported by al our families and we are pleased to announce we have raised the following:  Raffle: £344.00  Tea Towels: £164.00  Christmas Cards & Gifts: £153.50 | **Christian Values**  https://encrypted-tbn0.gstatic.com/images?q=tbn:ANd9GcR6NEwVcy6aTpYfikexkZQB35IbyVcywtBdhIu7FKTGh0b6jAIm3Agi2aU5Yw:https://webstockreview.net/images/hope-clipart-12.jpg&s  Next term our Christian value focus will be ‘hope’. I’m sure you will agree with me that this is very relevant as we go into 2021. In the hall we will be decorating our ‘hope tree’ with all stakeholders hopes for 2021. In the new year I will be sending home a message card for all families to fill in and send back to school so the tree can represent our community here at Bridgemere.  **Homework over the holiday period**  https://encrypted-tbn0.gstatic.com/images?q=tbn:ANd9GcQA_4gIBuLxI-b420VIrcS7OVa5Bc1sAssMcy5UDduxNivYSwfwITpzDiqd0s0:https://i.pinimg.com/originals/37/c0/dd/37c0ddbaed7b4bcc76a542be196b7091.jpg&s  We are not expecting children to do homework over the Christmas break but I would encourage all children to continue to read every day in some way with an adult. Reading is such a relaxing and worthwhile activity and will support your child’s learning in so many ways. Remember there is also TTRockstars to brush up on those times tables skills. All log on details are in the front of children’s communication diaries.  **School Council and Worship Ambassodors 2020-21**  **School Council:**  Xanthe, Niahm, Reegan, Jake, Ellajane  Max, Valentina, Henry, Daisy,William and Tabitha  **Worship Ambassodors:**  Jackson, Maisie –Jean, Frazer, Molly, Evelyn, Daisy, Darcie and Edward    Communication will continue to be through email, text, phone calls, social media and the school website. There may be occasions where we send home paper letters, but we will keep this to a minimum. If you need to speak to your class teacher, we request that this is done via phone or email.  As always, if you have any concerns or queries regarding your child’s education, please do not hesitate to contact me.  Caroline Middleton  Head of School |  |