



Cusgarne School Bulletin

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Dear Parents

This half-term is flying by and next week, it's December! Please read this bulletin carefully since there is lots of information, dates and even some parental homework!

The Tempest proofs were sent home this week so please check the bookbags in case you haven't seen your child's. We are asking that, wherever possible, you log on to the Tempest website and place your orders direct. If you order with them by Sunday 29 November, they will deliver the photos back to school for free. If you miss this date, you can return your order form to school, but we must have these by Tuesday 1st December at the latest because they will be collected by a courier.

Please would you also complete the Christmas dinner on-line form. The link is below and it is really quick and easy to do!

[Christmas Dinner Form - click here](#)

We know that the Government are going to announce the new tier system later on today, but do need to remind you, what even if Cornwall is put in the lowest tier, you must continue to socially distance when waiting to drop off or collect your child. This includes from staff – we are very happy to talk to you in the playground but please remember to stand 2 metres from us at all times.

And now onto Christmas!

Pastor Adrian and the Open the Book team have kindly donated a set of children's nativity book to the school. The teachers will be running a small activity for each year group and award one book per year group as a prize. Thank you Pastor Adrian – we miss you!

After careful consideration, we will be allowing Christmas cards into school but with some changes. If your child does want to send Christmas cards, please



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restrict them to their class only. We do not want cards passing from class to class. Each class will have a special box ready to receive cards from Monday 7 December until Monday 14 December. We will then have a sort of the cards and quarantine them ready to send home on Thursday 17 December.

To help us, please also send in a named carrier bag. We would like these in school by Monday 14 December please so we will be ready to fill these with your child's belongings.

Mrs Turner is planning a KS1 Nativity and hopes to be able to bring a flavour of this to parents, so it is really important that you have updated your media consents in Arbor.

Tuesday 15th December - with the fantastic help of the Friends of Cusgarne, we will be watching an on-line pantomime – The Mousehole Cat and I think there maybe some treats to enjoy too!

Wednesday 16th December - time to dig out your Christmas jumper ready for the rest of the week! We will be having our Christmas dinner today – yum!

Thursday 17th December – remember to wear your Christmas jumper and during the afternoon, each class will be having a Festive Fiesta! We cannot have our usual party afternoon, but instead will enjoy games, quizzes, music and film together in class.



Friday 18th December – our last day of term. We will be finishing at 1pm so please arrange this earlier collection time.

Have a super weekend.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "J. Murray".

Julia Murray
Acting Head of School



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Diary Dates:

29 November

2 December

14 December

15 December

16 December

17 December

18 December

4 January

5 January

Online orders for Tempest close

Last day for Tempest orders to school

Last day to bring in cards PLUS remember a named carrier bag

Panto afternoon!

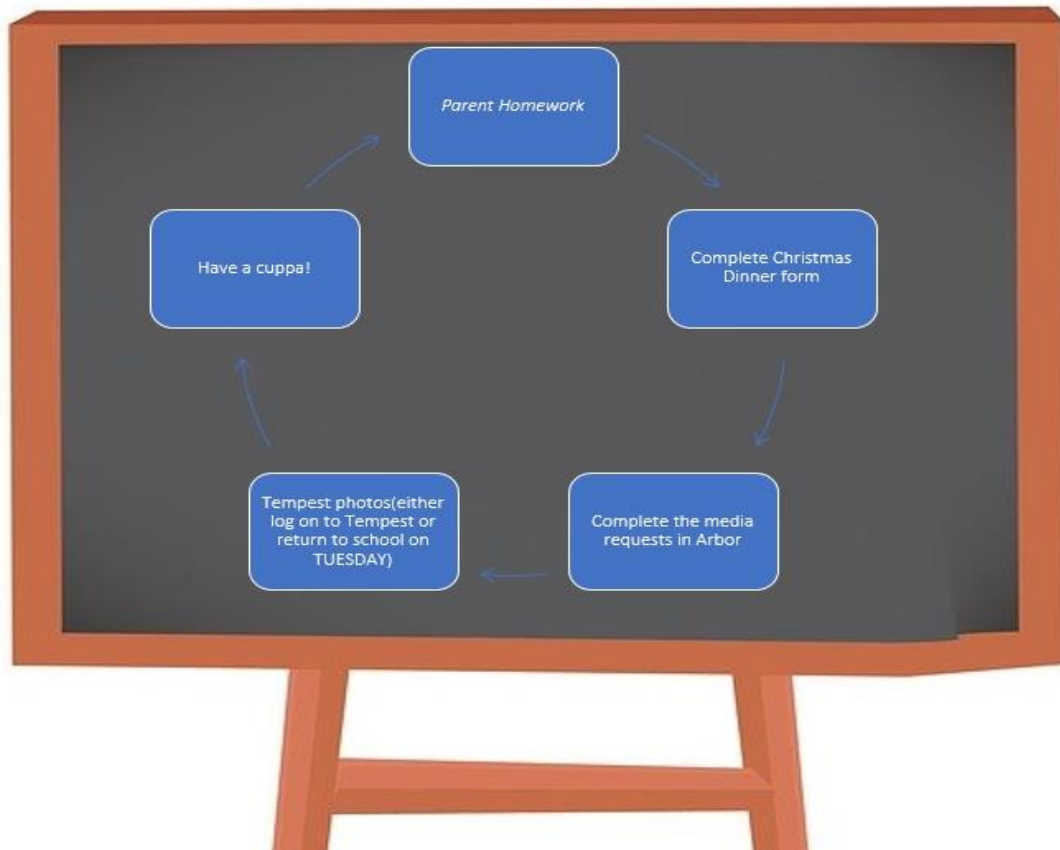
Christmas dinner day and wear a Christmas jumper (you can wear your Christmas jumper the rest of the week too!)

Festive Fiesta afternoon

Last day of term – school closes at 1pm

Inset day – school closed to pupils

Spring Term begins



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Welcome to the winter issue of BlackbirdPie online magazine!
 Despite everything there are festive things to see and do this year, from glittering gardens lit with myriad lights to light-hearted theatre shows.
 Everyone has gone to great lengths to make things as Covid-safe as possible.
 We have searched out quite a lot of free activities and events too including sparkling yuletide markets with entertainers, free entry at PK Porthcurno and The Box Plymouth, stories, videos and art activities to download, interesting winter walks and historic sites to explore.
 As well as the new online format we will be doing more on Facebook and Instagram, so please seek us out for regular activities, ideas and updates in between issues.

Please subscribe so we can send you a link to the next issue.

Vanessa, Simon and the Blackbird

<https://blackbirdreads.turtl.co/story/cornwallchristmas2020/>



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