

## Round Hill Bulletin – 10<sup>th</sup> December 2020

## A copy of this Bulletin will be placed on the <u>School Website</u>.

	Whole School Information
No Change to INSET Days	Further to yesterday's text message and just to confirm Round Hill will <b>NOT</b> be having an extra INSET day at the end of this term. <u>Click here</u> for a reminder of our INSET days
Absence Reporting Form	I would like to remind you again of the <u>Absence Reporting Form</u> that is on our website under the Parents tab. Please use this form to notify us of the reason for your child's absence from school. A reminder that this form must be completed for every day of absence to help ensure the safety of our children.
Track and Trace over the Christmas Holiday	It is very important that parents continue to let us know of positive Covid results even after we break up on Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December. Parents/Carers need to be ready for their child to self-isolate should someone in their school bubble test positive after we break up. How do I Report a Positive Covid-19 Test Result? (Including During the Holiday) If your child receives a positive test result, even in the school holiday, you must complete our electronic form on the school website. The form is located <u>this link</u> . This is the same form we use for reporting daily absence. Do not leave a message on the school answerphone as this will not be monitored during the Christmas holiday period. In addition, if your child is self-isolating due to a member of your household receiving a positive, please complete the form to let us know. How will you let us know if there is a positive test case when we are not at school? If there is a need for your child to self-isolate, we will communicate with you in the usual ways, via text message and email.
School Communication	We have been moving more and more towards only communicating with our parents via text, e-mail and Class Dojo. This is to let you know that as of January 2021 these will be our only forms of written communication. We will send e-mails for whole school communication so please ensure we have your correct e-mail address in school. If you need to update your contact details please e-mail us at office@roundhill.notts.sch.uk
New Parent Governors	Further to our recent elections for three new parent governors, I am pleased to welcome Mariella Farrelly, Stephanie Barnard and Ian Culshaw onto the Governing Body.
Allergies	A reminder that we have children in school with severe nut and egg allergies. Please do not send your child into school with treats either for themselves or for other pupils that contain nuts/egg/sesame seeds. The nut ban includes children's packed lunches, specifically chocolate spread, peanut butter and anything containing sesame seeds. Please speak to your child's class teacher for further advice. A child's life is at risk should we not adhere to this. If your child has an allergy, whether very mild or more severe, please make sure that school is aware of this. Even if your child never stays for a school meal, it is vital that we have a record of this on our system. Please either call into the school office or e-mail the team at <u>office@roundhill.notts.sch.uk</u>

Start Time of School	The vast majority of parents are brilliant at making sure children arrive on time and plan well in advance to avoid a last minute rush or additional anxiety when your child arrives. Thank you. I will be writing to a minority of parents who are constantly late when there is no justifiable reason. We will always work with families if you have problems getting your child to school so do let us know. I must therefore point out unacceptable reasons, for example 'there are three children to get ready in the morning', and/or 'he just doesn't want come' are something that we will no longer accept. I appreciate this firmer than usual message from me might appear a little harsh in these tougher times, but after some parents have been rude at the school gate over the last few days, my patience has worn rather thin. We close the school gates promptly at 9.10 a.m. as part of our safeguarding procedures, but children need to be onsite and in the building by 9.00 a.m. Children arriving after 9.00 a.m. are marked late. This is not a problem unless it becomes a regular occurrence. Children arriving after 9.00 a.m. should enter through the main doors and let a member of the Office Team know that they have arrived. You will be asked why your child is late and their meal requirement for that day.
Spring Term	We break up for two weeks at the end of the day on Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December and come back to school for the Spring Term on Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2021.
Message from the RHA	<ul> <li>We hope you are pleased with your child's Christmas card (and tea towels, mugs, and bags). There were some amazing designs the children had created. Many thanks for Caroline Grayling for coordinating and organising this.</li> <li>Thank you for supporting our Virtual Christmas Shopping Evening, we would be keen to have your feedback on the event as it was the first time we have held the event digitally! Thank you to Helen Ashton for putting all of this together for us.</li> <li>We are looking forward to 2021 as we continue to adapt our fund raising efforts given the current restrictions. Please keep an eye on our website page or join us on Facebook for more updates. We have just purchased for the school 10 plastic picnic benches which will be beneficial to our children as they are spending more time outdoors.</li> <li>If anyone needs any second hand school uniform please contact us so we can organise for you.</li> <li>And finally, as you are doing your Christmas shopping here are some simple ways to help us raise money:</li> <li>Amazon smile - go to https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ (or find the Smile setting in the Amazon App) and add the RHA as your chosen charity (search using our charity number 1048379) and we will receive a donation for eligible purchases.</li> <li>Easy Fundraising - select Round Hill Association as your chosen cause using this website to do your online shopping with a large selection of online retailers. https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/roundhillassociation/</li> <li>Wishing you and your families a safe and happy Christmas season and look forward to seeing you in the New Year.</li> <li>RHA Committee</li> </ul>