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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you all safe and well. I am sure you, like me are watching closely the updates from government regarding the updated national COVID-19 response. I would like to thank you all for your vigilance and help in not sending your children to school, when they are poorly. This is helping us limit the spread of COVID-19 and the disruption caused to our community. Just for your information; the early symptoms our positive COVID cases have exhibited, are different from the typical cough, temperature and change of taste and smell. Consistently, families are now reporting an upset tummy, a slight sore throat, sore eyes, a slight runny nose or a chesty cough. Surrey County Council have asked all school leaders to share a letter with you, from their Education department which I have attached for your information. They have also created a flow chart about what you, as parents and carers should do, if your child has symptoms. If you are ever in doubt, please call the school office and we are happy to assist you.

As this is my final newsletter of the year I would like to wish you all a safe and restful Christmas.

Kind regards

Miss K Aldred

Christmas Parties We will be holding class Christmas parties on Wednesday 15 th December. The children can wear their own party clothes on that day. The children will also have a surprise virtual visit from someone special and may even have a special gift to bring home! We are keeping that a secret from the children but would like to thank FOBSA for purchasing and preparing the gifts.	Key Dates17/12Last day of school (normal pick up times)04/01Inset day05/01School reopens (normal drop off times)Full term dates can be found here
Masks Whilst it is not mandatory to wear face coverings or masks, whilst picking up and dropping off your children, with the very high COVID-19 infection rate in Surrey Heath at the moment it would seem sensible to do everything we can to limit the spread. Please consider wearing a face covering to not only protect yourself but others around you that may be more vulnerable than you.	Key Worker Status Further to my email to you all today, please ensure you have informed us if you hold Key worker status, as soon as possible. We are hopeful that we will never have to close the school again, but should that happen we need to be prepared.
AdmissionsIf your child is due to move to Year 3 in September 2022 pleaseensure you have completed your application by 15 th January2022. Full details on how to submit your application can befound here:https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions/primary-junior-and-infant/applyIf your child is due to start school in Reception in September2022 your application is also due by 15 th January 2022.	Christmas Album The children had great fun recording our Bagshot Infant School Christmas album this week. I am very pleased to report that each child will bring home a copy of the album, at the end of next week. This experience has been possible due to charitable donations to the school, funding the cost of the experience and album.

Urgent Appeal: Hand Cream and Lip Balm

I have been informed that local nurses and doctors are in urgent need of hand cream and lip balm. If you are able to pop a tube or two into the white collection boxes in the mornings, over the next few days we will ensure they are dropped off at the collection point in Waitrose. The children have been thinking about how we can show, and be kind to others and I thought this was a fitting way to show the children what a difference a small gesture can make.