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School Academy

TERM 2 – 4<sup>th</sup> December

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Please check out our class pages on the school website for Heron, Kestrel and Buzzard news.

Dear All,

So we are nearly there – two more weeks to go till the end of Term. That is two full weeks of learning – that equates to over 50 hours of learning still to be enjoyed and engaged with.

At PPSA we absolutely maximise every minute of every day when we have the honour of 'borrowing' your children as we know what a difference it can make to their young lives. Your continued support at home with reading with your child (whatever their age!), helping them practice their times tables, talking to them about their learning is a vital element of their learning journey – thank you for all you do. Need any top tips on how best to support your child - please ask!

Details have now gone out about our Christmas activities over the next few weeks, please remember our 'Reverse' Advent Calendar - all donations to the Bridgwater Food Bank.

As always, if there is anything you need us from please call us on 01278 684151 or drop us a line at [info@ppsa.theplt.org.uk](mailto:info@ppsa.theplt.org.uk)

Thank you for your continued support. Enjoy your weekend.

Emma Barker

### CHRISTMAS CARDS

A reminder that the deadline for our Christmas Card posting is **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December**. This year due to C19 restrictions we are asking that all cards are brought into school, the children can 'post' them and they will be distributed on the last day of term.

This is an ideal opportunity for your children to be writing for purpose, so as much as possible please encourage your child to write the cards themselves

### SCHOOL TOURS

There is just 6 weeks to go until primary school applications close. If you know of anyone who is looking for places for next year – please ask them to get in touch! We are now able to offer personal tours of for any parents and children wishing to join our lovely school. Email the school at [info@ppsa.theplt.org.uk](mailto:info@ppsa.theplt.org.uk) to arrange a visit.

### ACADEMY COUNCIL VACANCY

We still have one vacancy on our academy council. If you are passionate about education and our community, or know someone who is, then please contact the office or email [info@ppsa.theplt.org.uk](mailto:info@ppsa.theplt.org.uk) for more information. Meetings are held in the evening, once a term and at the moment via Zoom. Previous experience is not required.

### PTFA NEWS

There are still numbers available in our 100 Club if you would like to join up. It is £1 a month for 1 number, money is paid up front for the year to the PTFA, and winners are drawn at the end of each month. Application forms are available from the office and friends and family can join in too.

Thank you for all your donations to the Christmas Hamper raffle, it is very much appreciated. The draw will take place on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December. If you would like to join our creative, sociable and active PTFA please let us know – they are always looking for new members.

## E-SAFETY

Please be aware of what your children are looking at or playing online, this includes any comments etc. made during learning time on Google classrooms.

Take a look at these useful tips for parents:

**10 INTERNET SAFETY TIPS FOR PARENTS**

- 1** Don't block all access to technology. Help your child learn to use tech **safely** and **positively**.
- 2** Take an **interest** in your child's favourite apps or sites. Co-view or co-create at times.
- 3** Be the parent. You're in charge. Set **boundaries** and consider using filtering software.
- 4** Create a family media **agreement** with tech free zones such as cars, bedrooms, and meals.
- 5** Teach your child what **personal information** they should not reveal online (YAPPY acronym).
- 6** Help your child learn to **filter** information online and navigate fact from fiction.
- 7** Navigate digital **dilemmas** with your child. Avoid using devices as rewards or punishments.
- 8** **Balance** green time and screen time at home. Focus on basic developmental needs.
- 9** Don't support your child to sign up for sites with **age restrictions** (e.g. 13+) if they're underage.
- 10** **Learn more:** Explore reliable resources for parents so you can educate yourself.

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## HANDS, FACE, SPACE

Thank you for your continued support with all the covid-19 restrictions we are all having to navigate and adhere to. Please remember to keep at least a 2m distance from others during drop off and pick up time. There is some hopeful news on the horizon, but there is a long way to go!

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Raffle Prize draw

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December – PPSA 'Christmas Day'

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Activity Afternoon

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December – End of Term 2

### 2020-2021 Term Dates

Term 1: Wednesday 2nd September 2020 to Thursday 15th October 2020

Term 2: Monday 2nd November 2020 to Friday 18th December 2020

Term 3: Monday 4th January 2021 to Friday 12th February 2021

Term 4: Monday 22nd February 2021 to Friday 1st April 2021

Term 5: Monday 19th April 2021 to Friday 28th May 2021

Term 6: Monday 7th June 2021 to Friday 16th July 2021