

Polehampton News



Friday 10th December 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,



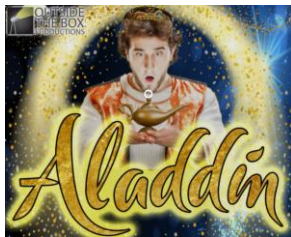
Covid Matters

New cases to report today

- One new case in Orange Class – this means Orange Class have met the threshold for further action. I've written to Orange Class parents and asked their children to take a PCR before they return to school next week. This also means that both Green and Orange will be in their own bubbles until the end of term.
- We do thank all our parents for your support at this time – we very much hope all will be well for everyone, particularly with the upcoming holidays.



Christmas Jumper Day – on Wednesday next week, when we all enjoy our Christmas dinner, your child can wear a Christmas jumper to school, if they would like!



Panto time at school – oh yes, it is!!

We thoroughly enjoyed our Panto visit this year – oh yes we did! A wonderful production of Aladdin was enjoyed by all! Many thanks to Mrs Port for organising it for the children.

Any outstanding donations? You can still send those in – they would be much appreciated!

NORAD Santa Tracker

Do you wonder where Santa is as he travels the world delivering his presents? Well, Norad track his travels, noting the countries he visits so you can see a countdown to the

UK! <https://www.noradsanta.org/en/>



Medication

Please could you check that all medications we have in school for your child(ren) are still in good supply and is still in date, ready for the new term – thank you!

Uniform requests

Do ask if you have any requests for second hand uniform, as we have a good little stock in school.

At the Infants, we could do with spares of

- Navy trousers
- Navy tights

Infant News

Christingle celebrations

Do check your child's home learning book this weekend for information about our whole school Christingle Celebration – also see attached.

Yr2 parents – we would like to invite you to visit our junior school next term, as you will be completing your application forms for your child's move within our Polehampton Schools.

- Wednesday 12th January at 7.00pm in the Junior School hall.

We ask all visitors to wear a mask (unless exempt) and take a LFT before coming to school.

NSPCC Assemblies

This week children in years 1 and 2 enjoyed a thoughtful and interactive NSPCC assembly about speaking out and staying safe. At the end the children enjoyed joining in with the mantra 'We have the right to speak out and we have the right to stay safe'.

Please do ask your child about the assembly, and reinforce the message with conversations at home.

Junior News

Communication

The admin email account, as you might imagine, is incredibly busy at times, so if you don't hear back from a query within 48 hours, please contact us again.

Junior Choir

Well done to our choir who sang beautifully outside Waitrose last Friday. Lots of smiles on the faces of everyone watching! Thank you, Miss Davis, for leading this.

School Lunches

Please ensure you have paid your account up for the end of this term, allowing for meals next week too. We need to finish the term with everyone fully paid up or the school may be charged.

Prospective Parents Open Mornings

Please do pass these dates and times to anyone you know who has a child who will be starting school next year. We would love to show them around our school. Places need to be booked as we are limiting numbers more this year.

- Friday 7th January - session 1 -9.15am at Infants / session 2 - 1.45pm at Infants (11am Juniors, if you would like to visit there too)

Please arrive by 9.15am and please wear a mask, unless you are exempt. We would like all visitors to take LFTs in advance of their visit to our school.

For those unable to attend, please see the [Prospective Parents page](#) on our website for a welcome video.

Please note:- we may have to review parent visitors into school if the school, local or national position changes due to additional COVID restrictions.

Attachments

- **Caterlink Spring Menu**
- **PTA raffle information**
- **Infants only – Christingle Celebration**
- **Juniors – letters regarding clubs next term**

Best wishes,

Miss Ball, Mrs Scott, Mrs Medcalf and Mrs Castell

Diary dates

Next week / new dates / infants only / juniors only

Date	Event	Place and time
Monday 13th December	PTA Infant School Christmas Fair	Please send your donations to help support this exciting event
	Blue Class nativity sent home to parents	Suggested time to watch - 6.30pm
Tuesday 14th December	PTA Junior School Christmas Fair	Please send your donations to help support this exciting event
	Yr1&2 nativity sent home to parents	Suggested time to watch – 6.30pm
Wednesday 15th December	Christmas Lunch Christmas jumper day	Infants
	Christmas Lunch Christmas jumper day	Juniors
	Upper School Carol Concert sent home to parents	Suggested time to watch – 7.00pm
Thursday 16th December	Year Four Christmas play sent home to parents	Suggested time to watch – 7.00pm
Friday 17th December	Last day of term <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-uniform day • No After School Club 	School closes at <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infants - 1.40pm • Juniors – 1.50pm

*please call the school to book a place

Term Dates 21/22

Holidays in term time are not authorised.

Autumn 2021

- Inset day 1 – Wednesday 1st September
- School opens to pupils – Thursday 2nd September
- Inset day 2 – Friday 22nd October
- Half term – Monday 25th – Friday 29th October
- Inset day 3 – Monday 1st November
- Last day of term – Friday 17th December

Spring 2022

- Inset day 4 – Tuesday 4th January 2022
- School opens to pupils – Wednesday 5th January
- Inset day 5 – Friday 18th February
- Half term – Monday 21st – Friday 25th February
- Last day of term – Friday 8th April

Summer 2022

- School opens to pupils – Monday 25th April
- Half term – Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June
- Last day of the school year – Wednesday 20th July

Term Dates 22/23

Autumn 2022

- Inset day 1 & 2 – Friday 2nd & Monday 5th September
- School opens to pupils – Tuesday 6th September
- Inset day 3 – Friday 21st October
- Half term – Monday 24th – Friday 28th October
- Last day of term – Tuesday 20th December

Spring 2023

- Inset day 4 – Wednesday 4th January 2023
- School opens to pupils – Thursday 5th January
- Inset day 5 – Friday 10th February
- Half term – Monday 13th – Friday 17th February
- Last day of term – Friday 31st March

Summer 2023

- School opens to pupils – Monday 17th April
- Half term – Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June
- Last day of the school year – Friday 21st July