Weekly Word

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To all Parents/Carers,

More fantastic learning outdoors this week – every time I look out my window there is a different class out on the field or in the forest school area having lots of fun! I was lucky enough to be out with the Y6s earlier in the week and you can really see what a difference it makes to their wellbeing. The colder it gets the more happy they seem to be!

I have been asked by a few parents recently about Christmas related activities and the normal Christmas type things that happen during the advent period. We have a plan in place for nativity, Christmas cards and a few other bits and pieces so we will keep you posted. As you might expect, we just have to think about how we make it Covid safe.

Whilst on the subject of Christmas, the PTFA are busy coming up with some fundraising ideas, including a quiz to be completed over the holidays. Keep an eye on the <u>Facebook page</u> for more details on the Christmas Catalogue and an online shopping event.

In other news, and with Remote Learning becoming such a big part of the curriculum at the moment, I have asked the office to send you details of an upcoming <u>online safety</u> event hosted by Traci Good. She has worked with us before and I would highly recommend attending. It is totally free and she will be looking at the following:

- To look at the most popular apps and games and the safety features embedded within them;
- How to understand and identify the risks for young people online;
- Where to find help and support, should you need it.

I also wanted to bring the following website to your attention: <u>Derby & Derbyshire - Emotional Health & Wellbeing</u> (<u>derbyandderbyshireemotionalhealthandwellbeing.uk</u>). It is your one stop shop for mental health and wellbeing support in Derby/Derbyshire and it is brilliant. Here you will find loads of resources, support and training; well worth a look.

Lastly, another thank you for sending your child in with a pair of wellies. Nearly all the children have brought a pair in which means we can continue to make good use of the field and save the carpets inside! If there is a reason you haven't sent your child in with a pair of wellies then please get in touch, we do have some spares that have been kindly donated but we may be able to help in another way.

Have a good weekend,

Mr I. Johnson