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# December 2020 Newsletter

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**Christmas Buffet Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day/  
Non Uniform Day - Friday 18th December 2020**

**Monday 21st December 2020 - Friday 1st January 2021  
Christmas Holidays**

**Monday 4th January 2021 - Back to School**

**Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year  
from everyone at Shamblehurst!**

**Stay Safe!**

# A Message From Mrs Jones

2020 has been an unforgettable year and I think nothing could have prepared any of us for what we have gone through. We are positive about 2021 – and we will continue to provide your children with the very best curriculum and experiences we can. I need to alert to the red paragraph in the newsletter – schools are still operating track and trace up to Christmas Eve.

Our community has truly shone through these unprecedented times. As we approach a very different Christmas, we have been amazed by the kind response to our Refugee week – raising over £800 - which is amazing! What is humbling is the amount of children who have kindly donated their pocket money or have thought up ways to fundraise for this cause.

Staff spent Tuesday evening wrapping the Book Flood books that you kindly donated – we hope the children enjoy their books on Christmas Eve. We would also to thank the kindness of Food Revolution for donating £300 to support this project.

All our beautiful Christmas trees have found a second home over the festive period with our families – these trees were kindly donated to us from one of our families and they are over the moon that they will continue to bring some joy and happiness!

We would also like to acknowledge the kindness of another of our families who have bought the school a marquee! This will enable Year 5 to work outside in all weathers. Mrs Riley is looking into offering small weddings - she never misses a fundraising trick! She is currently looking in to all elf and safety requirements!

Lastly, we all thank you for your immense kindness in terms of your cards and gifts to all staff. Wishing you all a peaceful holiday and we will see you in 2021.

PS The socially distanced man in red is coming tomorrow!



Very best wishes,

*Mrs Jones*



# Rewards



## Learner of the Week – Friday 27th November 2020

- Lion Class: Thomas Stallard for flexing his imagining muscle.
- Toucan Class: Oswald Shuttleworth for flexing his making links muscle.
- Dolphin Class: Vanessa Hussey for flexing her listening and independence muscles.
- Turtle Class: Jacen Elson for flexing his listening and perseverance muscles.
- Koala Bear Class: Coen Brown for flexing his perseverance muscle.
- Seahorse Class: Harrison Ball and Elsie Woodall for flexing their perseverance muscles.
- Zebra Class: Tobias Shuttleworth for flexing his independence muscle.
- Meerkat Class: Joshua Ball for flexing his perseverance muscle.
- Panther Class: Evie Fuller for flexing her independence muscle.
- Orangutan Class: Livia Dyl for flexing her perseverance and revising muscles.
- Otter Class: Anastasia Okhotnikov for flexing all of her learning muscles and Alfie Smith for flexing his planning muscle.
- Hawk Class: George Chubb and Aidan Drake for flexing their imagination muscles.
- Wolf Class: Leon Fielder and Fred Gaiger for flexing their imagination muscles.
- Panda Class: Leia Ransley and Amira Hmimssa for flexing their imagination muscles.

## Learner of the Week - Friday 4th December 2020

- Lemur Class: Danny Abraham for flexing his listening muscle.
- Lion Class: Archie Levy for flexing his independence muscle.
- Toucan Class: Amelie Hill for flexing her independence muscle.
- Dolphin Class: Mackenzi Quelch for flexing his perseverance muscle.
- Turtle Class: Talia Vaisseaux for flexing her independence muscle.
- Koala Bear Class: Thea Gould for flexing her listening muscle.
- Zebra Class: Jessica Whale for flexing her absorption muscle.
- Orangutan Class: Finnley Connis for flexing his noticing and revising muscles.
- Bushbaby Class: Imogen Saint for flexing her perseverance muscle.
- Hawk Class: Mia Forster for flexing her imagination muscle.
- Panda Class: Ava Jewell for flexing her perseverance muscle.



## Learner of the Week - Friday 11th December 2020

Lemur Class: Baylee Baker for flexing her listening muscle.

Lion Class: Max Mills for flexing his independence muscle.

Toucan Class: Mia Samuels for flexing her empathy muscle.

Dolphin Class: Ayman Walker for flexing his capitalising muscle.

Turtle Class: Joshua Tunstall for flexing his listening muscle.

Koala Bear Class: Nicolas Tomlin for flexing his listening muscle.

Zebra Class: Adrianna Morelos for flexing her listening and capitalising muscles.

Meerkat Class: Rosie Sleep for flexing her independence muscle.



# Attendance

If your child is absent from school, please ensure that you contact the office by leaving absence message, or sending an email. Please ensure that this done by 9:00am.

## Week Ending – Friday 27th November 2020

Lower School: Dolphin Class - 99.3%

Higher School: Koala Class, Seahorse Class and Wolf Class - 100%

## Week Ending – Friday 4th December 2020

Lower School: Turtle Class - 99.3%

Higher School: Polar Bear Class - 99.4%

## Week Ending - Friday 11th December 2020

Lower School: Turtle Class - 99%

Higher School: Meerkat Class - 99.6%

Perfect   
Attendance!

# Coronavirus

**Please remember to contact us if you have outstanding test results, or if your child develops symptoms on Saturday 19th December and Sunday 20th December 2020, so the school can operate track and trace up until Christmas Eve. Please email [adminoffice@shamblehurst.co.uk](mailto:adminoffice@shamblehurst.co.uk)**

Please can parents and visitors continue to wear a face covering whilst on school grounds, when we return in January 2021.

We would like to kindly remind you to please do not keep Teachers on the playground talking and only come into the office if it is essential - please contact us by phone or email.

Please help us continue to keep Shamblehurst Primary School a safe place.

Unfortunately, there will also be no school run clubs during the Spring Term - we will of course review this for the Summer Term 2021.

Thank you!



Thank you to everyone who had purchased Christmas card orders - £599.70 has been raised for school funds.



A beautiful photo taken by one of our Shamblehurst Parents - thank you for sending this through.



A Be Bright Be Seen game can be played on the Think website - are the pedestrians wearing the correct colour clothing?

<https://www.think.gov.uk/games/be-bright-be-seen/be-bright-be-seen-2017.html>





# Reading Celebrations

Ryan in Zebra Class, set himself a challenge to read 100 books this year, which he has successfully completed! He has also read 12 of the books on the Reading Challenge list.

Well done Ryan - you are a superstar! We are super proud of you!

Here are a few of the books Ryan has read this year:  
Attack of the Snack by Julian Gough, The Dragon Sitter by Josh Lacey,  
Harry Potter and the Philosophers Stone by JK Rowling and Toad in  
Troubled Waters by Tom Moorhouse.



Gold Reading Challenge badges have been awarded to Holly Gardiner in Wolf Class and Bethany Brewer in Koala Bear Class for reading the 18 recommended reads.

This is an incredible achievement - we are very proud!

Friday 11th December 2020

Non-Uniform Day

Thank you to everyone who gave a very kind donation on our non-uniform day - £373.60 is a fantastic amount for us to purchase new books for school.



Last week in school was refugee week.

Firstly, a huge thank you to those who made a kind donation. We were overwhelmed by your generosity and support.

The total raised was over £800!!!! This is an astonishing amount and we cannot thank you enough!

This money will be used to purchase items from the (Choose Love) website. After the Christmas break, we will let you know how your kind donations were used.

During the week, all children reflected on what life must be like for a refugee. We all participated in a Zoom call with Amnesty International where we learnt a little more about the true life stories, hardships and journeys refugees face.

Children in Early Years and KS1 created shelters outside facing some of the more challenging elements this time of year brings.

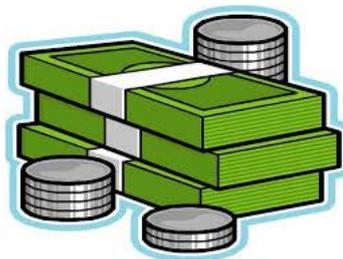
KS2 created poetry, welcome leaflets for a refugee child joining our school and made cloth bags considering items they would pack in their bags if they were forced to leave their home.

Many year groups used a wide range of literature such as *The Boy at the Back of the Class* and *Oranges in No Man's Land* to inspire their work.

Overall, it was a fantastic and reflective week with many in-depth discussions. The children showed empathy and higher level thinking throughout the week. We are really proud of them and their learning attitudes.

We once again would like to thank you all for your kind donations.  
Mrs Hillman and Miss Stapleton

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# FOSSA Update

Following the formalities at the PTA Annual General Meeting on Thursday 3rd December 2020 we can now introduce your new members and associated roles:

Chair - Abbie Austen

Treasurer - Donna Still

Secretary - Vicky Cummerson



Committee Members

Charlie Coombes

Adam Glasspool

Rachel Hardy-Aitken

Wendy Rogers

Many thanks to those in attendance for your support and kind words in reinvigorating the PTA, we are excited to get up and running.

Kind regards

Friend of Shamblehurst School Association

# E-Safety Update

Attached is our December E-Safety Newsletter.

Please ensure that your child is keeping safe whilst they are online, during the Christmas Holidays, especially if they are receiving a new device for Christmas.

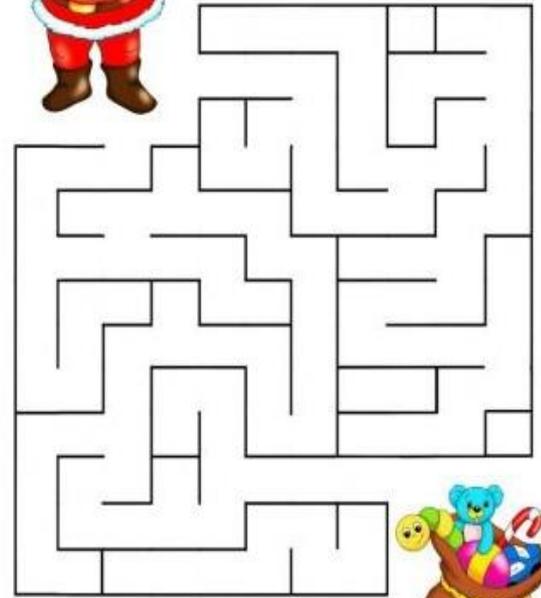


# Christmas Puzzle Page

## Merry Christmas Word Search

Search for the words going up, down, left and right.

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t o s d t r e e u t  
w l a m a a s v l o  
i e c a l t t h i c  
n g k r e n n g g k  
k n h a s a e i h i  
l a i t n s s e t n  
e g u s i o e l s g  
g l i t t e r s z m  
f r u d o l p h l l



tinsel  
sack  
lights  
Rudolph  
glitter  
angel  
stocking

presents  
Santa  
tree  
sleigh  
Christmas  
twinkle  
star

## Joke Corner

**Q:** Why are Christmas trees bad at sewing?

**A:** Because they always drop their needles!

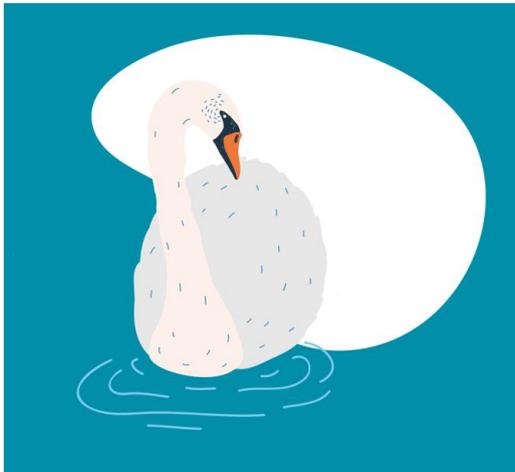
**Q:** Where does a snowman keep his money?

In a snow bank!





Believe in  
children  
 Barnardo's



We have successfully completed our first Family Links Nurturing Group online via Zoom! The 11 week course finished on Wednesday 9th December and was attended regularly by 10 Mums.

Although it was not quite the same as being in person, we soon all got used to our weekly hourly zoom sessions and the e-learning to complete between sessions. The e-learning provided helpful hints, tips, videos, and websites, all shared by the amazing Sam Churcher from Barnardos. Sam is great to work alongside and I feel lucky that Shamblehurst has such a strong link with this well thought after, long standing children's charity.

I look forward to working with Sam again in the New Year.

We hope to be able to run an online Cygnet Parenting Support Programme, please see attached below. Please let me know if you are interested in taking part in this.

Mrs Curry  
Family Support Worker

### **Cygnet Parenting Support Programme**

A parenting support programme for parents and carers of children and young people aged 5-18 with an autistic spectrum condition.

Parents of children on the autistic spectrum face the usual positive and difficult challenges of parenting and quite a few more. Attending Cygnet gives parents and carers an opportunity to develop their understanding of autism and look at practical solutions to support their child.

It also provides the opportunity to meet other people in a similar position and hear about their experiences in an informal but supportive atmosphere.

# The Shamblehurst SEND Team

(Special Educational Needs and Disabilities)

We are very proud of our provision and support for all our pupils at Shamblehurst, particularly those who need extra support. Our reputation of being incredibly inclusive in the local community, with outside agencies and Hampshire SEN is something to be proud of. We are always looking for ways to improve and we are excited to be expanding our SEND team this year. With this in mind, we wanted to make sure parents and pupils alike know who we are and know how to contact us to ask us for help or support.



## Who's Who:

Mrs Burrell, Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Coordinator (SENDCo)

Mrs Pyle, Deputy SENDCo

Mrs Curry, Family Support Worker (FSW) and Emotional Literacy Support Worker (ELSA)

Mrs Kelly, SEND Learning Support Assistant (LSA) and coach

## How to contact the SEND team:

You can contact the SEND team via the school office or by email:

[adminoffice@shamblehurst.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@shamblehurst.hants.sch.uk)

or by phone: 01489782342

One of the team will also be on the gate each morning. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any queries or concerns you may have.

Thank you to all who completed our online survey. We have taken all responses and comments on board and as a result of this we will have a regular feature in the newsletter. The aim of this is to share and explain what is in place and to keep you up to date with how we are continuing to improve provision for our pupils. In our next segment we will explain our Assess Plan Do Review (APDR) documents in more detail.

We wish you a wonderful Christmas break!

Mrs Burrell and the SEND team.