Banks Lane Junior School

Communication, Collaboration, Curiosity, Resilience, Reflection

# The Weekly Roar!

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2020 307<sup>th</sup> Edition

## PLEASE REMEMBER - DROP OFF AND GO, PICK UP AND LEAVE

## CHRISTMASDATES

As mentioned in the Christmas Roar newsletter, we started off our celebrations today with the Christmas quiz hosted by none other than our very own quizmaster 'Mr Gold-Tinsel Threader'. The children had a fantastic time; it has started the Christmas spirit throughout school. Activities still to come:

Christmas Lunch - Wed 16th December (must be paid for on SchoolMoney by this Sunday)

Virtual Carol Concert Video Release - Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> December - as we are unable to hold our annual Carol Service at St Mary's all the children have been busy learning carols in school. This will be available for families to view on our website.

Non-Uniform Day and Party Day - Fri 18th December - 'DJ DAN' is going to host our first

ever socially distanced school disco. Children can wear their own clothes or festive attire. All classes will link in with each other via video call to enjoy the party together in the comfort of their own classrooms. We are looking forward to hearing lots of noise and seeing some great dance moves on screen!

As promised, here is a picture of our giant Christmas tree. We may have to ask the reindeer to remove it for us in the New Year.



### **REVERSE ADVENT**

We will continue to collect for the Stockport foodbank Reverse Advent throughout next week and up to Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> Dec. From Monday, there will be a trolley outside the front reception doors so you are able to safely 'drop and go'. We thank you for all donations.

If you or you know of any families who would benefit from any extra help over the Christmas period, please get in touch on <u>admin@bankslane-</u> <u>jun.stockport.sch.uk</u> or 0161 480 2330 in confidence and we will offer our support in any way we can.

## WELCOME BACK 3S AND 6L

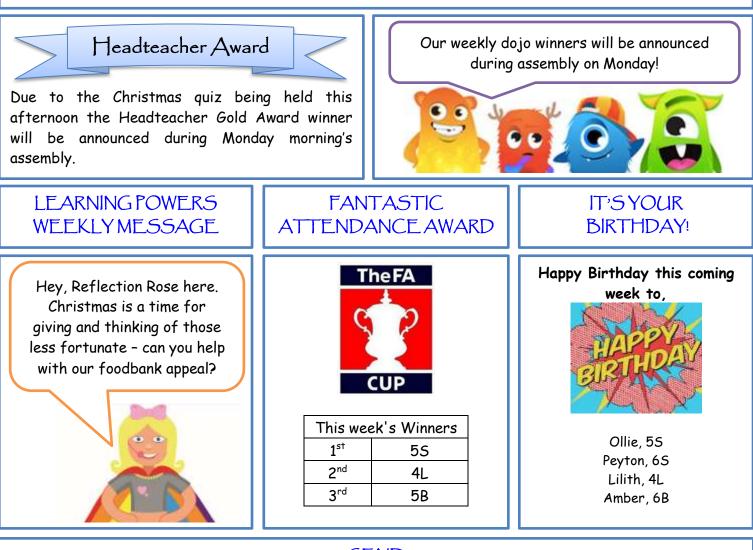
# \*.Welcome back!\*

It has been great to welcome back 3S today and we are looking forward to 6L joining us again on Monday. Staff would like to pass on their appreciation to all the parents who have been in touch with messages of support and to thank the children for their fantastic effort; we have seen an amazing level of home learning over the past few weeks.

## SCHOOL HOLIDAYS/COVID

We close for Christmas this year on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December and re open on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> January. As we are edging towards these dates, could we please ask you all to be extra careful, be aware of COVID symptoms and keep your children home and get a test if they start to display any illness. The last thing we want is to have to ask a class or bubble to isolate over the Christmas period.

## AWARD WINNERS



## SEND



Please join us for our next meeting on Wednesday 9th December at 9.30AM via Zoom.

Our topic is *Communication* and we would like you to think about what is working well with regard to communication from school and any suggestions you have about how we can make this even better.

> Joining information: Meeting ID: 718 219 0898 Passcode: 966578

We look forward to seeing you there!

We often have outside agencies come into school to work with/support our pupils in a number of different ways. Please see below if you would like to know when they are available;

Learning Support Service - Every Tuesday, all day

**Behaviour Support Service** - Wednesday morning, every other week

**Speech and Language therapy** - Every other 1/2 term on a Wednesday morning. On The half term we do not have weekly visits, teaching assistants carry out follow up work with children.

If you would like any more information about any of the above please get in touch with Mrs Howarth or Mrs Frost through the admin email address.

This newsletter is emailed weekly to parents/carers. Please let us know if you would like us to email it to you. It is also available on our website at www.bankslane-jun.stockport.sch.uk

If you have any queries or concerns, please email admin@bankslane-jun.stockport.sch.uk or phone the school office on 0161 480 2330



# USEFULWEBSITES

#### CEOPS

CEOP help young people who are concerned about on-line images and communications. <u>https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/11\_13/help/CEOP/</u>

#### Family Lives

Family Lives is a charity with over three decades of experience helping parents to deal with the changes that are a constant part of family life. <u>http://www.familylives.org.uk/</u>

#### Guidance for Parents re Instagram

http://www.connectsafely.org/wp-content/uploads/instagram\_guide.pdf

#### Kidscape

'Preventing Bullying, protecting children' https://www.kidscape.org.uk/what-we-do/

#### Kidsmart

http://www.kidsmart.org.uk/

#### Netmums

The network offers information to parents about parenting on a national level. Amongst the topics are child welfare, maternity, playgroups, child health and child safety. <a href="http://www.netmums.com/">http://www.netmums.com/</a>

#### NSPCC NetAware

https://www.net-

<u>aware.org.uk/?utm\_source=google&utm\_medium=cpc&utm\_campaign=Grant\_shareaware201</u> <u>4&utm\_term=nspcc\_net\_aware&gclid=EAIaIQobChMI6rq9lqCa1QIV77XtChOnOw-</u> <u>aEAAYASAAEgIawPD\_BwE&qclsrc=aw.ds</u>

#### Stockport SEND Local Offer

https://stockport.fsd.org.uk/kb5/stockport/fsd/localoffer.page

#### UK Safer Internet Centre

E-safety tips, advice and resources to help children and young people stay safe on the internet.

http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/