



# Charnock Hall Primary Academy

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## Weekly Newsletter Update – WEEK 12

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you are all well!

### Covid updates

In the last few days, we have been made aware that as a nation, we will be leaving lockdown next week, but this has then been superseded by the news that we will be entering Tier 3 from 2.12.2020. I appreciate that this will be disappointing and frustrating for many of you, but hopefully, as the numbers fall further, it will be reviewed in 2 weeks and from there restrictions may be lessened.

Thank you to you all for reading and working with the requests I put in the newsletter last week, it has made things much easier at busy points and demonstrates how well we are working as a collective to ensure Covid-19 has limited impact on daily life at CHPA.

Keep it up!



### Sheffield Children's Hospital Charity

This week we have made great strides in our support of Sheffield Children's Hospital Charity. Each day at the end of the day, Guess the number of sweets has been running (outside of the main front gates) and we have had some great interest in this. Next week, we are hoping to be around at the start of the day too.

How many sweets do you think are in the container? Only £2 a go.

We will be revealing the correct answer of Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December! If anyone thinks there are too many for them to eat, I am more than willing to help!

We have also been invited to virtually attend the Snowflake lights switch on – here is the information from the Charity Team –

To our amazing snowflake sponsors,  
**You are invited to join us live for the Sheffield Children's light switch on 2020!**

We are excited to say that although this year we can't have the switch on in person, we will be bringing the switch on live to your living rooms, offices and classrooms via our charity YouTube channel.

**Date:** Friday 4th December

**Time:** From 6pm

**How to join:** [Click here to join on the night](#)

We hope lots of you will be able to tune in on the night, as we light up Sheffield Children's Hospital ready for Christmas.

Thank you so much for sponsoring a snowflake this year. We have been absolutely blown away by the generosity of our supporters. This year there will be more than 200 snowflakes on the side of the hospital and for that we can't thank you enough.

We hope to see you virtually on Friday 4th December.

Thank you for your support,

**The Charity Team x**



*P.S. Just as a reminder, we are kindly asking that you watch the light switch on from home as there won't be an in person switch on event at the hospital this year. We want to keep our staff and you as safe as possible. Thank you for your understanding!*

### Christmas Performance Permissions

Just a quick reminder from previous newsletter and the communication earlier today regarding Permission 3 for the Christmas performances. Any questions, please contact the admin team.



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## Christmas Cards and Gifts

There have been a few enquiries about Christmas cards and whether pupils can bring them in or not. Earlier this week, I received information from Public Health Sheffield regarding this and as a result, this is how we will manage Christmas Cards for 2020 –

Pupils can bring Christmas Cards in to give to their friends and staff. However, rather than give them directly, cards must be placed into the post box in each year group, first thing in a morning. At the end of the day, staff will empty the post box and put these cards to one side, ready for them to be sorted and delivered to classes, by pupil volunteers during lunchtime the following day. Class teachers will then give them out.

For this to work, please ensure that when you or your child writes a card, that the envelope has the FULL NAME and where possible CLASS NUMBER of the intended recipient. Without this info, it makes it impossible to share the cards.

Similarly, if you choose to give a staff member a present for Christmas, can it please be brought to CHPA well in advance of the last day of term, so we can then quarantine it before staff take it home. There is no pressure or expectation to give staff a gift, but I know it is something that many children like to do.

## Spare Decorations

If anyone has any spare or unwanted Christmas decorations, when you come to take them down in January, we would gratefully accept them as our stocks are running low.

Unfortunately, we cannot accept electrical items, unless they are brand new due to H&S reasons.

## CHPA Christmas Dinner

On Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December, we will be having our CHPA Christmas Dinner. This is always a lovely event and this year will be no different. If your child would like a Christmas Dinner, they simply have to choose this option on the day, there is no need to book ahead.

## Social Media

If you are not yet following us on social media, please follow us on Twitter using @charnocklead as the handle and via our Facebook page Charnock Hall Academy. If you do request to make friends with CHPA on social media, please also send a message stating who your child is. With us all wearing masks, it is difficult to recognise faces and this will then make accepting friend requests easier and quicker.

## Safeguarding update

In the last few days it has come to our attention that a particularly nasty and violent video has appeared on social media, particularly Tik Tok. Although this video is not real, it is reported to be based upon events from real life missing children cases. Please be aware of what your children are accessing if on Tik Tok

In addition to this, a new game called 'Cunch-Line Chronicles', which is highly inappropriate for children has also appeared in the Apple App Site and Google Play Store. In essence, the game it is a game about running a County Lines (Cunch) operation and appears to have an in-chat facility, which would enable grooming/recruitment and so hopefully action can be taken.

## Parent Governor Elections

Voting for the Parent Governor Elections has been voted on by a lot of you so far. Good luck to the 5 candidates.

Take care and stay safe!

Mr P M Burgess & all the staff at CHPA



## TIME TO START SCHOOL?

Reception place applications being taken for next September

Come and join the fun to 'be the best you can be'!

Contact us now to arrange a visit

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**THE FAB 4**

**CHRISTMAS MENU**

**Roast Turkey & Gravy**  
With Pork Chipolata

Or

**Quorn Roast & Gravy**  
With Vegetarian Sausage

With

**Roast Potatoes, Carrots or Peas**

**Snowball Crispy**  
Or  
**Fresh Fruit Salad**