



The Oaks Primary School
Bringing Learning to Life

Tuesday 21st December

Weekly Newsletter

School will remain closed for face to face teaching on Tuesday 21st & Wednesday 22nd.

There is not the appropriate number of staff to be in school, no Designated Safeguarding Lead and no adult first aider. So unfortunately school must remain closed.

Remote Learning

This will continue on SeeSaw for Tuesday and Wednesday. This learning is there if you need it. There is no obligation for children to complete it. The office is open if you need anything. Please do get in touch.

COVID UPDATE

First and foremost please can I take this opportunity to **thank you** for your understanding and support over what has been the worst week for The Oaks school community throughout the pandemic. COVID-19 has spread quickly though adults in school and their families at home. It has split our school in two and brought our Christmas plans in school to a sudden end!

Your understanding at our emergency closure days has been really appreciated by myself and the Governing Board. Thank you for your well wishes to poorly staff and kind words via email. They have meant a lot.

Over a period of 6 days, twelve staff members tested positive for COVID-19. Fortunately, although most are suffering a range of symptoms and feel quite ill they are all doing ok and will make a full recovery. It also does of course mean that many staff will be poorly and or isolating over the Christmas period.

We are so sad that our Autumn Term and Christmas Activities came to a very abrupt halt. We know that because of this children missed out on a range of things, for that we are truly sorry. We will wait to see what January brings but are still hopeful that we can catch up with some of the events then. The raffle will be postponed until January too.

For now though all that is left for me to say is from all the Staff and The Governors at The Oaks, we wish you a **Safe, Happy and Peaceful Christmas**. I truly hope you get some precious time with family and loved ones over the break. We look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

Take care, Jo Grundy grundyj@the-oaks.bolton.sch.uk

School reopens on Thursday 6th January

