



CHRISTMAS AT EJS 2020!

Christmas is to be somewhat different this year - no Community Tea, no Christmas Community Walk, no Nativity Service in Church and very, very little singing!

BUT - that won't stop us here at EJS from enjoying our Christmas 2020 - have a look here at how we are going to make sure our children and our school still have festive fun!

CHRISTMAS CARDS

I am really sorry but we are **not** accepting paper Christmas cards or presents in school this year for children or staff. We are working really hard to keep the chances of infection down and as you know we have reduced paper home to school communications as much as possible. Children and families can send Christmas Greetings to each other on my Seesaw page as for my page and mine only, everyone can communicate with each other and see each other's posts. No bringing in cards or gifts please.

FROM ADVENT - SUNDAY NOVEMBER 30TH

You can wear your Christmas jumpers if you want to from now!

Trees, Christmas displays and Christmas decorations up!

Christmas preparation time is here!

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS

Never let it be said that a global pandemic will stop EJS from being involved with our community during the Christmas period. The children are presently working hard writing letters and emails, making cards and writing poems for our more mature folks in our local residential homes. We are also making Christmas decorations for the hospital. These will all be completed in school and then quarantined, to minimise the chance of infection, before being delivered to the local care homes and hospitals by Mrs Moir.

CHRISTINGLE

Lower School, Y3/Y4 will be making traditional Christingles and will be bringing them home on Tuesday December 1st.

CHRISTMAS DINNER - THE FULL WORKS FOR EVERYONE!

Even if it takes all day!!!!!!

TUESDAY DECEMBER 15TH

LOOK OUT FOR MESSAGES FROM THE OFFICE ABOUT THIS

Children who usually have packed lunches please let Mrs Ditchburn know by text service if your child would like a Christmas dinner and she will send you a link for payment

THOSE ON PACKED LUNCH CAN PAY £2.31 FOR CHRISTMAS DINNER

EWANRIGG'S GOT TALENT

A slightly different format but, at the request of the children, we are having EGT this year. EGT is the showcase for our children who shine in performing arts - our musicians, our dancers, our gymnasts, our singers (soloist or pairs only due to Covid), comedians, magicians and many more. Look out for full coverage on our EJS You Tube channel, which is password protected as every day is Internet Safety Day here at EJS!



CHRISTMAS FILMS AND ONLINE PANTO

WITH HOT CHOCOLATE, POPCORN AND CRISPS!

We have purchased licences for an online panto and the newest of Christmas films!

- Y3/Y4 LOWER SCHOOL PANTO MORNING MONDAY DECEMBER 14TH
- Y3/Y4 LOWER SCHOOL FILM MORNING FRIDAY DECEMBER 11TH
- Y5/Y6 UPPER SCHOOL PANTO MORNING WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 16TH
- Y5/Y6 UPPER SCHOOL FILM MORNING FRIDAY DECEMBER 11TH

CHRISTMAS CLASS PARTIES

INCLUDING PARTY BAG AND COVID CONSCIOUS GAMES

WEAR YOUR PARTY CLOTHES ALL DAY!

- CLASS 1 TUESDAY AFTERNOON DECEMBER 8TH
- CLASS 2 FRIDAY AFTERNOON DECEMBER 4TH
- CLASS 3 WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON DECEMBER 9TH
- CLASS 4 THURSDAY AFTERNOON DECEMBER 14TH
- CLASS 5 FRIDAY AFTERNOON DECEMBER 11TH
- CLASS 6 MONDAY AFTERNOON DECEMBER 7TH

EWANRIGG YOU TUBE CHANNEL

Fingers, toes and Christmas Crackers crossed this works!

We adults in school have had a lot to learn about the digital world since the start of this year. Our latest venture is to try and have an EJS You Tube channel where you as families can watch your children performing and learning. We aim to have, the following on our EJS You Tube channel by the end of term.

- Lower School Christingle Service
- EJS whole school Nativity
- Ewanrigg's Got Talent
- Christmas Around The World
- Christmas Crackers Music Medley with boom whackers

School ends at 1.00 sharp on Friday December 18th and should reopen for children on Tuesday January 5th 2021. Your child(ren) will bring home their Christmas craft bag and EJS Christmas book gift on Friday December 18th. School reopening is, of course, dependant on national/local Covid restrictions of the day. I will therefore be in touch with you via email and Seesaw after January 1st to confirm our opening arrangements.

Wishing you a truly Merry Christmas and health and happiness for the New Year 2021!

With love and best wishes from your Head Teacher,

Yvonne Craig xxx