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“Growing good people –
doing great things.”



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Dear Families,

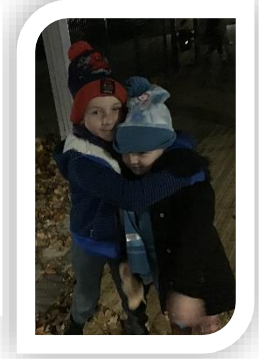
I hope that you are all well and taking good care of yourselves in the cold weather. It has been a tough few days for many people, with power cuts and broken boilers, so I do hope that you are all OK! Below is a roundup of the latest Cambrai news...



Torchlight Treasure Hunt

Again, thank you to all of you who attended our first ever torchlight treasure hunt! It was so well attended –and everyone seemed to have such great fun!

It was such a special evening! Thanks for coming!



Reading School Success!

Our Year 2 children have just sat their first government 'test' – the Phonic Screening Test. This test usually takes place at the end of Year 1, but due to COVID, the DFE asked schools to complete it a term late in November/December of Year 2. I am delighted to share that ALL of our current Year 2 children achieved the expected standard of the test! This is AMAZING considering that this class had a disrupted Reception and Year 1. Even in a 'normal' year, around 4 out of 5 children meet the standard, so considering COVID, this truly is a brilliant result! Thank you all so much for your support and reading at home – and to the fab staff, who are relentless about giving our children the best deal possible. A very proud Headteacher!



COVID Update

You may have heard on the news, or seen on our social media, that some tighter COVID restrictions have been brought back in to schools. From now, all visitors to schools MUST wear face coverings, unless medically exempt. Our Trust takes the safety of its families and staff seriously, and following a Trust wide strategy meeting this week, it has sadly been decided to further step up our control measures. **This means that the Reception Nativity will now be a recorded event – and families will no longer be able to come in to school to watch the performance first hand.** The play will be recoded and a link sent to Reception families (and any Year 2 narrators) families to watch after the play is recorded in school on Monday 13th December. We are truly saddened by this decision, but we respect the decision of the Trust and understand that having all of our 80 children, plus staff and around 60 parents all together, 2 weeks before Christmas could be seen as a risk which we do not have to take. I hope that you understand.

Staffing Changes

You may have seen online that we have several vacancies at the moment! Mrs Needham joined us in September, but as a forces family has had to move quite quickly! We have appointed Mrs Young, an experienced Early Years member of staff to replace her – and look forward to welcoming her to the Team in January. Mrs Rea, our much cherished cleaner is also leaving us at



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Christmas, to spend more time with her family; she will be a huge miss and her replacement search is currently underway. Lastly, Miss Ferguson is also leaving us! Miss Ferguson has secured an exciting promotion in another Trust and whilst I am so pleased for her... I am devastated for Cambrai! Miss Ferguson worked with me from day 1 to set up the school, long before we opened our doors, so has been part of the Cambrai Family since its inception. Her legacy will live on – and we wish her the best of luck in her new role! Again, the advert is currently live for her replacement.



Christmas Activities

Just a quick reminder of the activities coming up before the end of term...

	8th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dentist Day! Our school is being visited by dentists and dietitians to work with all of our children on looking after their teeth – and living healthy lives!
	10th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christmas Jumper Day! Your child can come dressed in a Christmas Jumper or top – normal school trousers and shoes please! ☺ No Nest after school
	13th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In school Reception nativity performance – recording to be sent out ASAP afterwards
	15th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whole school trip to Georgian Theatre in Richmond – Beauty and the Beast
	16th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christmas Party Day – children to come dressed in Christmas party clothes but sensible shoes please... there will be lots of physical games!
	17th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christmas Dinner at Cambrai! Break up for Christmas No Nest after school
	Wednesday 5th January 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New term begins! Please note that Tuesday 4th January is a teacher training day

Dogs

Just a quick reminder to say that dogs are not allowed on the school MUGA, or play areas. Waiting in the car park is fine, but we have had incidents of dog mess in areas where children play. If you do need to bring your dog for drop off or pick up, please do not venture from the 'public' spaces so we can be assured that our grounds are safe for our children to enjoy.

Parent Governors

Again, just a quick reminder that your parent governor representatives are Lotti Hutchinson and Matthew Rennison – both Year 2 parents. They are always happy to chat or bring things to the governing body to discuss on your behalf. Of course my door is also always open, so please don't feel that you have to wait if something is bothering you, or you need to share something, we will always make time for you.

All that remains to be said is... have an amazing Christmas and New Year! I'm already excited for 2022, and can't wait to share the year with you and your families. Thanks again for being part of Team Cambrai.

All the best,

Mr. Mark Dent
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