



# PRESTON BULLETIN



*'I have come that they may have life and have it to the full ' John 10:10*

Friday 7 January 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that your child has settled quickly back into the routines of school. It always seems very strange to return back to school midway through the week.

I have really enjoyed my first week as Headteacher and it has been lovely to spend time in both schools. Thank you to all children, staff and parents/carers for making me feel so welcome! I will be dividing my week between both schools, and rather than having set days at both schools, this will change on a weekly basis according to school events across the Federation. Please be assured that I will always be available via email.

On Tuesday 3 January, we held an INSET day, where the staff team from across the Federation spent time discussing and reviewing our Federation vision statement. This short statement represents our aim for what we want our schools to be like in the future. It is also the basis for the learning experience for our pupils. Over the coming weeks, I look forward to sharing our ideas with you and your children, and seeking input and feedback from the whole school community.

I wish you all a happy and healthy weekend!

Yours sincerely,

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### WRAPPING UP WARM

The weather forecast is suggesting that we are entering a cold snap. Today, temperatures were below freezing when the children arrived at school. Please ensure that your child dresses according to the weather.

In order to keep the classrooms well-ventilated and 'COVID-19 compliant', we have to ensure a supply of fresh air throughout the day. Consequently, the classrooms can become a little chilly in extremely cold weather. We would advise the children to wear an additional vest or T-shirt under the school uniform. Hats, scarves and gloves may also be useful. Please ensure that all items are clearly named.



### EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSURES



Hopefully this will not become necessary, but it is the time of year when we can experience extreme wintry weather. In the event of a school closure at either Preston or Saxlingham, details will be posted on the Norfolk County Council School Closures website: [http://www.disruptions.norfolk.gov.uk/nccclosures\\_schools.html](http://www.disruptions.norfolk.gov.uk/nccclosures_schools.html)

As soon as any risk assessment of the sites is made, we will also contact parents/carers by text message or email.

### COVID-19 UPDATE

Following the letter I sent out on Tuesday, there has been a further update to COVID-19 Guidance.

The guidance states that confirmatory PCR tests following a positive lateral flow device (LFD) test result are to be temporarily suspended from Tuesday 11 January. Individuals should only use a LFD test if they are asymptomatic (no symptoms). If an individual experiences symptoms, a PCR test should still be arranged.

This will mean that anyone who receives a positive LFD test result will be required to self-isolate immediately and will not be required to take a confirmatory PCR test.

### PRESTON STARS OF THE WEEK

Week beginning 4<sup>th</sup> January



Ladybirds:	<b>Evie-May</b> for great contributions to Science.
Bumblebees:	<b>Chloe</b> for showing enthusiasm for learning by sharing lots of ideas with the class.
Grasshoppers:	<b>Harry</b> for showing great enthusiasm when learning about plants in science.
Caterpillars:	<b>Jake</b> for creating a clear and in-depth explanation of how a fossil is made.
Dragonflies:	<b>Leocadia</b> for her positive attitude and hard work across the curriculum.