



Dear parents: I am getting daily updates from a wide range of agencies and have gone back to doing Risk Assessments. Public Health England guidance, Department for Education guidance, Hackney Education guidance and Trade Union guidance to their members. I am starting new restrictions in school around social distancing among adults and the return of mask wearing in communal areas. I will move heaven and earth to keep the Nativities on and our Christmas Concert but regretfully have to cancel all theatre trips and visits for 2021 starting from tomorrow. I cannot control the air quality in other peoples venues. Everyone will be fully refunded for anything they have paid out. Our Friday PA Christmas Fair goes ahead as planned as it is all outdoors. I will do my very best to minimise disruption to the children's Christmas and am the least panicky headteacher as most of you know. It is a balancing act of risks and wellbeing and some people are suffering severe anxiety and mental health issues.

Our own plays, concerts and Christmas nativities are carrying on as planned so far. There will be air purifiers, fans, masks, every window and door wedged open to ensure proper ventilation. There will be CO2 air monitors in every corner of the hall and if necessary and if we have to and the weather allows we will do something outside. If you do not feel comfortable attending then I understand and we will film events for relatives. Not what I wanted to be writing this year of all years but watch these Newsletters.

Christmas Calendar Updates events still going ahead ...hopefully

December 3rd PA Christmas Fair

December 4th Saturday De Beauvoir Trail morning.

December 8th KS2 Christmas Concert in the Church from 7pm

December 14th Reception Christmas Play 10.00am school hall

December 14th KS1 Nativity 2.15pm main hall.

December 15th Children's Christmas Dinners 12.30pm onwards and class parties

December 16th The last day of school for 2021 and

December 17th .. INSET school closed.



and finally I enjoyed the recent England rugby match vs The South African Springboks fantastic last 15 minutes but in retrospect depressing all the restrictions and panic coming back but hey ho ... one day at a time and hopefully we can get to share a glass of Gluhwein at the Christmas Fair. Loved Christmas in Germany before and please God will do so again reasons to be cheerful it's December tomorrow