



Newsletter




MERRY CHRISTMAS

Dear Parents and Friends,

I would like to begin by thanking the wonderful staff here at Stubbins School for all their hard work during what has been a very difficult year. They have continued to provide, not only education, but genuine nurture and support for the children and families in their care. Throughout the continuing storm, the Stubbins ship has continued to sail and this would not have been possible without such dedicated staff.

Thanks also to you, the families we serve, for supporting us. During the last year I have had to make decisions which I would rather not have made, often at the last minute, and you have always shown great understanding, for which I am grateful. We are a great team; looking after the children together.

The current situation is changing so rapidly, I hesitate to predict where we might be in the New Year. There is very little we can do about it at this stage, except to follow the guidelines as best we can and keep each other safe. I am reminded of the Serenity Prayer; a prayer written by the American theologian Reinhold Niebuhr (1892–1971):



**Grant me the *serenity* to accept the things I cannot change,
The *courage* to change the things I can,
And the *wisdom* to know the difference.**



Whilst this prayer is not usually associated with Christmas, I think that it is particularly pertinent during this festive season. Whatever your beliefs, my hope is that we can all set aside our worries and anxieties, enjoy the company of those we love, and relax during this holiday time.

I will be sending out a Newsletter on Tuesday 4th January, the day before the children return on Wednesday 5th January. Any updates will be included in it. In the meantime, may we draw on our serenity, courage and wisdom to have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy & Healthy New Year!

Stay Well ☺

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