



# THE SOLENT SCHOOLS

## Autumn Newsletter 2020 Issue 9

It may still be November but Christmas is coming and the Solent Schools are getting ready! The team are absolutely determined to make this Christmas even more special for our lovely pupils. Don't we all deserve that after the year that we have had? We are very aware that your family Christmas may be smaller and so we plan to do whatever we can to spread a little Solent Sparkle! Watch out for further news over the coming weeks.

Mrs L Wilby, Executive Headteacher

### And so the countdown begins....

We were so pleased to hear that the fantastic FSS and Northwoods were able to team up, in a creative way, and once again run our annual advent competition. Don't forget to get those entries back into school on Monday. What a wonderful idea for a wet weekend activity!

**If your child or a member of your immediate household tests positive for Covid-19 over the weekend text 07933 997641 straight away.** This service will

enable us to take swift action. You must leave a short message with the words 'Covid Positive test for' then the name of the person who has tested positive, your child's name and class. If your child tests positive we will request a copy of the test result .

### Tell us what you think!

Developments with remote learning provision have gone from strength to strength at Solent. We are incredibly pleased with the way in which our pupils and their families have engaged with us on this journey. The latest challenge was to conduct our parent appointments remotely. This process was an overwhelming success, so much so, that we are now considering whether we are able to offer this as part of our regular meetings. In the longer term, this would involve giving our families a choice as to whether to attend in person or remotely. The way in which our remote provision has been shaped has been a result of the feedback that you have given us. The intention being to bring you along with us on this remote learning journey. Back in May we carried out a 'Remote Learning' survey. Six months down the line and we are asking you to 'Tell us what you think' once again. This survey will run from now and will be open for a week, closing at midday on Friday 27th November. Please have your say and help to shape our future remote learning provision to suit the needs of our families by [clicking here](#) and taking a few precious moments to answer the questions.

### A Polite Plea!

As the days draw in and the weather cools, we notice an increase in the number of families who drive to and from school. This makes the roads around our school increasingly dangerous. Please don't attempt to park close to school but instead, if you have to drive, park a distance away and walk the rest of the way. You can do your part in keeping our pupils safe! Cars should never be parked on yellow lines, zig zags or blocking neighbours driveways.

### Get Your Sparkle On!

On Friday 11th December we will be 'Getting our Sparkle On!' to raise the profile of the wonderful work that is done by the NSPCC. We are asking all pupils to come into school dressed in their Christmas jumpers and sparkle!