

**Headteacher: Mr D Childs**

4th December 2020

Dear Parents

I hope that you are all keeping well during what has certainly been a challenging few weeks for us all. The local picture across Kent indicates that many schools are dealing with constant disruptions due to the impact of COVID-19. It has been clear to us just how quickly circumstances can change for us and for all of you. We want you to know that every single member of staff is always here to support as best we can. A few weeks ago, I mentioned that we had a bumpy road ahead. What makes this difficult journey more manageable is to continue to work together as a family to help overcome anything that gets thrown at us.

### **Christmas DVD 2020**

Today, we welcomed back TDH media to record our Christmas nativity for key stage 1 and some musical contributions from children in key stage 2. This is the same company that recorded our video tour for us (have a look on the school website if you haven't already viewed) so we are excited to work alongside them once more to help parents still be able to watch their child perform a nativity, despite the current restrictions in place.

Working alongside TDH media, we have created a safe, paperless system for you to order your DVD for £15 (including a digital download). Please follow the steps below to place your order:

1. Visit <https://forms.app/form/5fc629ab16e8391ebf01db0b>
2. Fill out the form. The only data collected is Name of Child, Class Name, Email Address and quantity of DVDs required. The email address is used for the payment request only.
3. TDH media will then receive the submitted form detailing the amount of DVDs required.
4. A paypal request for payment will then be sent for the amount required. You do not need to use a paypal account as payments can also be made using a credit/debit card. Alternatively, TDH media are happy to send out their bank details should you wish to pay via bank transfer.
5. Once funds are received by TDH media, you should receive a notification and a receipt.
6. Once we have approved the video, mass production starts.
7. DVDs will be delivered to the school before the end of term with each copy labelled.
8. We will then distribute to the classes.

**Note: The deadline for orders to reach the school by the end of term is Thursday 10th December. Orders can be made after this date but will be sent directly to homes and incur a postage fee. TDH media cannot guarantee that any orders made after this deadline will be delivered by Christmas.**

### **Covid19 - Safety Update**

As we get closer to Christmas, it is really important that we continue to stay as vigilant as possible and follow the guidelines that are currently in place for Kent. The current guidelines for this can be found by visiting:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/tier-3-very-high-alert>

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/937563/COVID-19\\_Tier\\_3\\_Very\\_High\\_Poster.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/937563/COVID-19_Tier_3_Very_High_Poster.pdf)

By staying as vigilant as possible within our Ryarsh community, we all want to try and avoid a scenario whereby anyone is required to self-isolate for 14 days anytime after the 11<sup>th</sup> December. Should this situation occur, we are aware how this could have really upsetting consequences in terms of Christmas celebrations for many families.

Have a wonderful weekend and stay safe,

Mr Childs and the rest of the team at Ryarsh Primary School