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December 2020 Newsletter

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A Special 'Thank You' message from Alison and Zoe

Pupils and staff returned to school in September 2020, facing challenge and uncertainty, thanks to Covid 19. Four new pupils (taking our total up to 14 pupils) and two new staff were welcomed into the school, and school life continued in our superb new environment. Staff have worked with creativity to provide interesting sessions - sometimes in difficult circumstances - mainly in the classroom, when usually they would be out and about in the local area. Pupils have engaged despite their anxieties, and attendance has been excellent. To date, our systems and hygiene procedures (albeit, ever changing to keep up with government guidance) have worked well, and positive Covid cases associated with pupils, families, staff or other contacts have been minimal. We are all ready for a well earned break, and hope that everyone enjoys the time away from school. We return, (refreshed we hope), on Monday 4th January 2021. Whatever 2021 throws at us, we will face it together to continue to provide a safe and happy school. Thank you for your continued support!



School will close for the Christmas break at 3pm on Friday 18th December 2020 and will re-open to pupils on Monday 4th January 2021.
We wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Noah takes to the Decks!

One of our older pupils, Noah, has been enjoying his DJ'ing sessions on Friday afternoons recently. Here, Noah is having fun at his DJ'ing session at 'The Basement' in Huddersfield.



Noah has been working on setting up the equipment and learning about input and output. In the pictures, he is practicing beat counting, using fading and effects using vinyl.



More Foodie Lesson Fun for Oliver!



Our Bright Futures School super piemaker, pupil Oliver, has been busy again in his Independent Skills, Cooking and Nutrition lessons with Learning Mentor, Jenny. This time, Oliver and Jenny made a delicious Chicken pie and he's been making some lovely mince and nutella pies as well to take home for his family to enjoy! We think we may well see Oliver and Jenny together on 'The Great British Bake Off' very soon!

Christmas Tree Decorating

Pupils Oliver and Lucy-Grace have done a wonderful job decorating our Christmas tree in reception at school.



Thank you to you both - it looks great!

Local Author visits BFS

We had a visit from local author, Danielle Corrigan, recently, who treated some of the children to a reading of her debut book "The North Pole Lockdown".



Danielle, a local mum-of-two, who loves to write, drafted the book during the first Lockdown - initially for her own children - before having it published for everyone to enjoy! You can buy a copy at various shops in Uppermill or on Amazon. You won't be disappointed! Thank you very much to Danielle for visiting BFS and reading to the pupils. We all love the story!

Christmas Wreath making at BFS

Laura Vayro, Director of Oakapple Environmental Forest School in Huddersfield, visited school last week, for fun and festive Christmas Wreath-making sessions with the pupils. Here's our pupil, Saoirse, concentrating on putting her lovely wreath together!



Here she is with the finished piece. All pupils and staff had a lovely festive and creative time making the wreaths. Thank you very much to Laura!



Our fantastic new playground

In our October 2020 BFS Newsletter we featured a short article about part of our school grounds that had been designated as a play area for our younger pupils. Jayden kindly offered to pose on the ground here.



This was before it was landscaped and fitted with artificial grass - all financed by Friends of Bright Futures (FBFS).



Now, we have the finished play area, complete with climbing frame and the pupils absolutely love it! It has been great to see the children playing out together and having fun.



Thank You to Dovestone W.I.

We would like to say a very special 'Thank You' to our friends and supporters at Dovestone W.I. for their kind donation of a new upright freezer. This is already proving really helpful for our pupils' cooking and baking sessions. Thanks so much for your generous donation!

Thank You to you all

Thank you so very much for your continued support over this very challenging year! We wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Stay Safe Everyone!

