

Alexander Hosea Primary School

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Newsletter 8, 17th December 2020

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The full flier has been sent to you by email (see partial image above).

Keep your family and community **safe** this Christmas and New Year

We are urging everyone to think carefully about their plans for the festive season

Keep social contact to a minimum. Limit the number of different people you see.



Consider the risks to your loved ones, especially anyone elderly or vulnerable.



Make sensible choices to help keep everyone safe. This will help prevent further or continued restrictions and reduce pressures on our NHS and care system.

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