



NEWSLETTER

'Caring for each other and learning together'

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Newsletter No. 2

Dear Parents and Carers

What an exciting half term we have had. The children have worked so hard this term and coped with all the restrictions really well. We are very impressed. Children found learning all day hard to start with and we are supporting them to remember capital letters, full stops, times tables etc. We are also grateful for the support from families with staggered times, wearing masks etc

Moving forward, we are trying to keep school life as 'usual' as we can.

Topics this half term are:

YR - Festivals including Christmas

Y1 - Starry night

Y2 - Can party food be healthy?

Y3 - Light

Y4 - How do we see and how do we hear? (and Saxons)

Y5 - Space

Y6 - Lady of Shallot

Already children have bought in some amazing models, writing and homework tasks - well done. We have enjoyed space models, diaries, poems, - they are really fantastic!!!

Poppies - Our Poppy collection will begin today and a display in the windows at the front of school from children's contributions is very special as these have all been done in their own time.

Please give your child your donation, suggested donations for snap bands etc will be displayed on the office window, items will be delivered to each bubble.

Fundraising for charities - Classes are fundraising for charities that mean something to them so we will be grateful for your support for these as they decide.

PE Kit - Please ensure you children bring their PE kit to school each week and leave it in school. We have very little spare kit now and PE is part of the national curriculum. Children may wear tracksuit bottoms as it is a bit colder now.

Clubs - regrettably clubs will not continue this term, new ones will commence in January

Parking - Parents are still parking in the staff car park and on the zigzags - please don't. Pedestrians are also cutting through the car park with children, please ensure you keep to the paths.

Absences - Please ensure you contact the school to tell us why your child is off school. If we do not hear from you on the day a letter will be sent asking for the reason, if you fail to respond to the letter the absence will be marked as unauthorised, this in turn can lead to a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued.

Medical - Inhalers - If your child needs to use an inhaler at school please ensure we have two of them, one to be kept in the classroom and one to be kept in the medical room as a spare. Please complete an asthma form, these are available from the office.

Governors - Parent Governors are Paul Dixon (Y6 child) and Alex Collins (Y2 child). Our elected chair is Alan Matthews and we have another new Governor from Chichester University - James Martin.

Christmas Nativities - We are sorry we are unable to invite you this year but YR to Y4 performances will be videoed/filmed and added to the website. Please watch with your children. Y5/6 will participate in a Christingle celebration in school

Christmas cards - from 1st December the school post box will be in the hall if children want to post cards. Please ensure envelopes have a name and class to give the post delivery team a clue.....

Christmas lunch - will be in bubbles with crackers on 16th December.
Christmas jumpers - may be worn every day for the last week of term.

Breakfast funding and pop up food/essentials shop

We have been awarded some funding by Kellogg's to help us continue provide bagels or toast to everyone. The Bognor Rotary club have given us funding for the pop up shop and also towards our breakfast provision. They also gave FSM families a half term voucher. We are very, very grateful for this support - thankyou.

Many thanks to all those who contributed to our Harvest festival too including Holy Cross Church. We will add this to the pop up shop for families finding it hard just now. A community effort.

Bagel shack



Harvest Festival Food



Dates

Thursday 19 th November		Open Morning for Prospective Parents 9.15 - 11.15 for next years Yr R
Friday 11 th December		Little Acorns - End of term
All week 14 th - 18 th December		Christmas jumper week
Wednesday 16 th December		Christmas Lunch Children in R, Y1 and Y2 will receive a hot school Xmas meal Y3, 4, 5 and 6 - Children who are entitled to a school lunch too. If your child does not normally have a hot school lunch and is in Yr 3-6 and you wish to book a Christmas lunch please register and book online at www.mealselector.com
Friday 18 th December	All	End of Term 1.30pm
Monday 4 th January 2021		Inset Day
Tuesday 5 th January 2021		First Day of Spring Term

Yours sincerely

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