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Celebration Assembly



Congratulations to our Star Learners who were awarded their certificates in our Celebration Assembly today:

Sandringham: Eden Hibberd

Kensington: Jackson Oliver

Windsor: Pippa Mann

Holyrood: Daniel Bunn

Buckingham: Ella White



We also celebrated Achievment Awards for the following children:

Tammy Moss—Cyclo-Cross 1st Place

Maeve Garland—Halloween Costume 1st Place

Hannah Stephen—BTDA Star Award for Modern Jazz

Ellie Watson—British Gymnastics— Level 6 & Swimming Level 4

Frederick Singleton—Bronze Karate & Swimming Level 7

Dylan Wilson—Flag-bearer for Cubs in Remembrance Parade

Lottie Kirton—Swimming Level 7
(Last Assembly)

Chloe Elsey-Green—rode her bike around Draycote Water

Kate Linton—1st Prize in Make, Bake and Grow

Myles Woodruff awarded Graham Wilks Award for Tenacity: Leamington Athletics Academy

Bonnie Lewis-Level 3 in swimming

Our next Celebration Assembly is Friday 29th November at 3pm. We look forward to welcoming you all.

Remembrance Day

Dear Parents, Relatives and Friends,

The village remembrance gathering at the Memorial Hall was enlightened by our Year 6 choir girls who sang "We will Remember" to the community.



The pupils listened to the role-call, observed the two-minutes' silence and prayers given by Rev. Martin Green, and then they sang beautifully. The girls were an absolute delight because they mingled and talked to the residents and made lovely conversation about their school and their lives in the village. Their presence was a real appreciation of how our younger generation respect and appreciate the memory of those people lost in the world wars. Well done girls, you were a credit to yourselves and to our school.

Within school, all the children observed one-minute's silence at 11am and in class and in assemblies, we have been discussing why Remembrance Day is so important.

Rev. Martin Green played his guitar and sang with the children in assembly on Tuesday, which as usual, was enormously enjoyed by everyone. Thank you Martin!

Our school is welcoming and nurturing. Parents and relatives are welcome to make an appointment to see me to discuss any matter.

With best wishes.



Jacky Sykes—Head of School

Keeping Children Safe



We had a situation last week when a child was collected by another child's parent without school or the child's parent knowing. Although this was done innocently

and to be helpful, this, as you can imagine, caused considerable upset and worry. Please can we remind **every one** that under no circumstances can family friends take another child off of the school premises without that child's parent having first given specific permission to school.

Our teachers are on the playground at the end of each school day so if any parent is late, the children will be looked after by our staff and if necessary brought back into school until the parent arrives. If a parent knows they are going to be late, please can they telephone the school as soon as possible to give us instructions.

This message is given to all children in school, and if parents could reinforce this with their children at home, this will help us all to keep your children safe.

We are noticing that a number of older children, without their parents, are waiting on the playground in the mornings before 8.45am. Whilst we applaud their enthusiasm to come to school, please can we remind everyone that unaccompanied children are not permitted on the playground in the mornings before 8.45am. Many thanks for your help with this.

INFANT NATIVITY—GRANDPARENT SHOW AND SCHOOL LUNCH—FRIDAY 6th DECEMBER



Grandparents are invited to have school lunch and watch the preview of the Infant Nativity and Christmas Show "Children of the World" on Friday 6th December.

Lunch will be at 12pm followed by coffee and the show at 2pm Tickets are £5.

We only have capacity for 30 grandparents, so please don't delay and order your tickets now.

(Please see form at the back of the newsletter)

Details about tickets for the performances on Tuesday 10th December will follow in the newsletter next week.

BUDDIES CLOSES AT 5.30pm

Just recently, we've had a number of parents picking up from Buddies later than 5.30pm. Of course, we understand that sometimes delays happen, but we would like to confirm that the Buddies does close at 5.30pm.

| | Before School | Morning | Lunchtime | Afternoon | After School |
|----------------------------|------------------|---------------|------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Monday 18th November | Buddies NESSY | | Running Club | Swimming Holyrood | Buddies Football Club |
| Tuesday 19th November | Buddies NESSY | Brass Lessons | Eco Club R-Yr6 | | Buddies |
| Wednesday 20th November | Buddies NESSY | | | | Buddies Netball Club Drama Club |
| Thursday 21st November | Buddies NESSY | | Choir Homework Club | Guitar Lessons | Buddies 2nd Parents' Evening |
| Friday 22nd November | Buddies NESSY | | | Year 6 Assembly | Buddies |

Parents' Evening Re-Scheduled

Due to local flooding, yesterday's parents' evening was postponed. The re-run of this parents' evening will be next Thursday, 21st November. Please keep your same appointment time. If you cannot make this time, then please contact your child's teacher by Seesaw or ring Mrs. Thornton so that an alternative meeting time can be arranged. Many thanks.



Reading

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your support at home with the recent Reading Bingo Challenge. It has been great to see how engaged and positive the children

have been throughout the challenge. In some classes children had kept their own diary, produced pictures and even recommended reads to other children.

We understand as parents and educators that reading is so important because it impacts on our children's lives in so many ways.

In which areas of their lives is reading important?

- It helps them to discover new things by enabling them to educate themselves in any area of life they are interested in and to do their own research and thinking.
- It helps develop their mind and imagination and the creative side of them.
- It helps to improve (vocabulary and spelling) communication both written and spoken.
- It plays an important part in building their good self-image.
- It is a function that is necessary in today's society.

And of course reading is fun!!

Class teachers will be rewarding the children in class for completing their challenges.

Please find the link to the BookTrust 100 best new books for children. This can also be found on our school website as a pdf in English Curriculum/Reading/Book list for parents.

Thank you to all the children for participating in the Reading Bingo Challenge. I was delighted to receive the following feedback from children in Key Stage 2:

Thank you children. You make me so proud.

Keep Reading

[&]quot;It was a great chance to read other things like online texts." - Amber

[&]quot;I liked the Audio stories and now I'm going to listen to stories more.". - Adelle

[&]quot;I got to share a world map and learn lots of facts." - Syaurah

[&]quot; I found a great Art book in the library." - Becky

[&]quot;I really enjoyed the variety or reading choices" - Zach

[&]quot;It was an opportunity to extend my reading choices because I always choose to read fiction, especially fantasy stories and so I read more non-fiction." - Emma

[&]quot;I visited the library it was lots and lots of fun."

[&]quot;I have used a cool new app called Epic and I love it!" - Maxwell

[&]quot;I enjoyed looking at an atlas." - Molly

[&]quot;I read some really interesting instructions and made a bracelet." Megan

[&]quot;It gave me an opportunity to be free with my imagination and I could read as much as I wanted to!" -Lacie

News from 'Friends of Bishops Itchington Primary School' (FoBIPS)

Buckingham Class Bake Sale

Thank you to the parents who baked or donated cakes and to those who helped set up and tidy away at the bake sale last Friday. Thank you also to the 13 year 6 pupils who did an amazing job of serving everyone so quickly. Buckingham class raised £90 which was amazing considering the awful weather last Friday!

Non Uniform Day – Friday 15th November Thank you for bringing in your bottles in aid of our bottle tombola.

Christmas Fayre – Saturday 23rd November 12 – 3pm

The FoBIPS team are working hard on this year's Christmas Fayre – we have lots of stalls, games, crafts and festive food on offer for you.

All the classes have been busy and so have the elves who are preparing for their journey to our workshop for some fun craft activities - there's still time to book your grotto slot so either return the slip with payment or email fobips@gmail.com

Raffle Tickets – Don't forget to return your raffle tickets. There are some amazing prizes to be won including a 20" bike, £50 cash, family tickets to Cotswold Farm Park, a voucher for Aubrey Allen and much much more.

This year you can win a Vue Cinema voucher worth £20 if your child sells the most raffle tickets. To qualify raffle ticket stubs must be returned to school with the appropriate payment by your child no later than Wednesday 20th **November** in an envelope clearly marked with your child's full name and class. Tickets returned after 20th November or bought at the fayre will not qualify for the competition but will be included in the raffle draw. Extra tickets are available from the office.

Christmas Favre - Father Christmas Grotto Experience - Book your slot now!

There is still time to book your 30 minute magical grotto experience for the Christmas Fayre. This year groups of 10 children per time slot will be able to make crafts with the elves then wind down with story time read by Father Christmas himself. Parents are welcome to join, but if you are leaving your child with us, please ensure you are available to collect at the back door of Sandringham classroom 25 mins after your slot time.

The price of this experience is £3 and you can book now via the booking form sent home this week or by email to fobips@gmail.com stating the time slot you require, your child's full name and if they are infant or junior. Available time slots are: 12:20, 12:40, 13:00, 13:40, 14:00, 14:20 and 14:40.

Payment needs to be made to the office for cash or cheques or via PayPal (fobips@gmail.com - reference GROT-**TO**) before your slot is confirmed and tokens will be issued w/c 18th November.

Christmas Fayre – HELP needed

Can you help us with this event? We need help with:

Setting up - moving tables/putting up bunting/putting up Christmas trees/putting up signs Run a stall – for half an hour or an hour – we have a number of stalls that need someone to run them Tidy away – returning tables/sweeping the floor/taking down signs

If you can help, please speak to one of the FoBIPS team or email fobips@gmail.com

Autumn Term Events

Christmas Fayre – Saturday 23rd November 12 - 3pm Christmas Disco – Friday 6th December (Infants 6-6:45pm, Juniors 7 – 8pm) Christmas Light Switch On - Saturday 7th December



email us: fobips@gmail.com



FoBIPS Facebook Page

AUTUMN TERM CALENDAR

| November | Event | Time |
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| 19th Thursday | New Parents' Evening replacing last week's Thursday | 4.30—7pm |
| 23rd Saturday | Christmas Fair | 12-3pm |
| 29th Friday | Celebration Assembly | 3pm |
| 30th Saturday | Year 6 Cross Country, St. Mary's School, Warwick | morning |
| December | Event | Time |
| 2nd Monday | Global Virtues Week | All Week |
| 6th Friday | Grandparent lunch followed by Infant Nativity Play | 12pm and 2pm |
| 6th Friday | FOBIPS Disco Infants: 6-6.45 Junior 7-8pm | |
| 7th Saturday | Light Switch On—Choir | afternoon |
| 9th Monday | Buckingham Class Southam College—Dance Production | morning |
| 10th Tuesday | Infant Nativity Play 2pm and 5pm | |
| 11th Wednesday | Flu Immunisations—whole school | morning |
| 11th Wednesday | Sandringham & Kensington trip: Snow White, Royal Spa Centre | afternoon |
| 12th Thursday | Choir event at Kings High School | Evening |
| 13th Friday | Balmoral Class trip to see Snow White, Royal Spa Centre | morning |
| 13th Friday | Celebration Assembly | 3pm |
| 18th Wednesday | Christmas Dinner | |
| 19th Thursday | Combined Christmas Concert and Prize Giving assembly at the church | 11am |
| 20th Friday | Break up for Christmas holidays at the end of this day. | |

SPRING TERM CALENDAR

| January | Event | Time |
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| 6th Monday | Teacher Training Day—do not come to school this day. | |
| 7th Tuesday | Spring Term Starts (please make sure uniform is named) | 8.55am—3.30pm |
| 13th Monday | Windsor Class first swimming lesson (Windsor swim all term) | Afternoon |

Buddies@BIPS—Christmas Holiday Club

We are hoping to open for just 2 days during the Christmas Holiday on Monday 23rd December and Tuesday 24th December. Please ring or email the office to make your booking. If we do not have enough children booked in we will not be open. The deadline for booking is Friday 22nd November: we will make a decision after that date.

School Dinners

Please remember to order a school meal via your online DinneryPay account for your child by 8am every day. To make things easier, you can order a week or month in advance.

If you know your child is going to be absent from school please cancel your child's meal.

Lunchbox Trolleys

From Monday, the lunchbox trolleys will be moved to the kitchen in order to keep the cloakrooms and corridors tidy. Children will not be able to access their lunchboxes until lunchtime, so any morning snacks will need to be kept separate from the lunchbox.

BBC Children in Need

This morning the children in Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 have taken part in an online keep-moving activity hosted by Joe Wicks, a Children In Need Ambassador. Thank you to everyone for supporting the Children in Need art competition. We will let you know how much has been raised soon.

The winners of the art competition are:

Ladybirds: Oliver Cleave

Infants: Edward Coleman

Juniors: Kate Linton







Infant Nativity & KS1 "Children of the World" Christmas Show

Grandparents of our infant children are invited to come to school on Friday 6 December for a school lunch including tea/coffee/mince pie and then watch the infant performance of "Children of the World". The combined cost will be £5 per adult. We only have capacity for 30 grandparents for the meal, so this will be done on a first come first served basis. Please arrive at school for 12:00. The show will commence at 2pm.

For Grandparents who just want to watch the show only, the price will be £2.

The menu choice on 6 December is:

- Fish Fingers & Potato Wedges
- Cheese & Tomato Quiche & Potato Wedges
- Jacket Potato with choice of fillings

Infant Grandparents' Meal & Show (6 Dec)

| Name of child: | Class: |
|---|-----------|
| I would like to order tickets for the meal and | show (£5) |
| I would like to order tickets for the show only | y (£2) |
| My meal choice is: | |
| I enclose: £ | |
| Signed: | |