

Honesty **Respect** **Responsibility** *Kindness*



Merry Christmas!

The run-up to Christmas in school has been particularly lovely this year. We were delighted by the enthusiasm the children showed in preparing for their Christingle services on Wednesday. They have also been extremely kind and supportive of each other. So many members of staff have commented on what wonderful children we have!

We are all very appreciative of the support we have from families. A huge thank you, too, for all the cards, gifts and good wishes for staff at Christmas.

We all wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Support for Families

Nationally, we know many more families are struggling financially because of the cost of living crisis. In some cases families who used to provide support to others, for example by donating to food banks, are now in need of support themselves. Any of us could potentially find ourselves in difficulty.

Citizens Advice (0808 223 1133) can link families to valuable support and have a very useful website.

Locally, the **Lymington Basics Bank (01590 610008)** or the **Waterside Food Bank (07768 713329)** can support with food and other essentials. Both provide a professional, supportive and confidential service. Although it says on the Basics Bank's website that families living in other areas may have to contact other food banks, we know they are very happy to support families from Beaulieu Village Primary School. Referrals can be made by schools, local churches, health professionals or by Citizens Advice.

The following message has been shared today by Hampshire County Council:

Hampshire County Council is using its Household Support Funding from the Government to provide a range of support between now and March next year, that will help vulnerable households with the costs of food, energy and other

essentials. We are working with community groups, local councils and other organisations to provide the following support:

- [Help with energy costs](#) – local Citizens Advice services are supporting eligible households with the costs of gas, water and / or electricity bills. Households who qualify for support can contact their local Citizens Advice directly.
- [Help with food costs](#) – there are 19 Community Pantries across Hampshire which provide food at a lower cost than supermarkets, in exchange for a small membership fee.
- [Food vouchers](#) – food vouchers will be available to households who receive council tax support, and households who receive housing benefit. These will be distributed by local district and borough councils in the coming months. Those who are eligible don't need to do anything – they will be contacted by their local council.
- [Housing costs](#) – local district and borough councils can provide support for housing costs in exceptional circumstances. Residents are asked to contact their local council if they think they may be eligible for emergency support.

All of this is in addition to the Holiday Activities and Food programme, which will be providing more than 120 free schemes this Christmas for children who receive income-based free school meals during term time. Parents and carers wishing to find out what is on offer in their area should search the [Family Information and Services Hub](#) and contact their local providers directly to sign up to schemes.

Families can find out more about all of the support available by visiting the [connect4communities website](#).

Keeping healthy and safe

Due to current pressures on the NHS, we have been asked to promote the Healthier Together resource for parents to get advice and guidance about their child's health and well-being.

This is a useful resource for all health and well-being information, with the pathways having been developed by clinicians.

[STAY IN CONTROL OF YOUR CHILDS HEALTH](#)

Christingle Service



Despite winter illnesses, winter weather and even a last minute road closure, the show went on. We were very proud of all our children and we loved sharing our services with you.

Here's what some of the children thought:

Matilda – Year R I had a halo 'cause I was an angel. I had to walk slowly. I had my hands together like this. I felt worried but then I was happy.

Lucas – Year R I pretended to eat my Christingle (I just pretended). I was an innkeeper with a hat on. It was brilliant. All the people smiled at me.

Martha – Year 1 I was shy but then I saw my Daddy. My favourite bit was the dancing.

Maddison – Year 1 There were lots of people in the church and I was a bit nervous but then I saw my Mum and Dad. We stuck our tongues out at each other and then I was laughing and happy.

Charlie – Year 2 I felt like I might need a little bit more practice. I tried to help everyone remember to swap and make sure they were dancing. I liked the shining lights in Hope of Heaven.

Albie-John – Year 3 I liked it because everyone was there together – the children and the grown-ups. I was happy when I saw my Mum. I loved singing “It was on a Starry Night.”

Molly-May – Year 4 The light was so beautiful and it was lovely to see everyone. I felt proud of how sensible the little ones were.

Maddie – Year 5 I felt nervous but afterwards I was relieved and more confident for next time. I was so proud I remembered my lines.

Grace – Year 5 It was so much fun to get the whole school together. The little ones looked so cute dressed up and they were really good. We were all proud.

Kian – Year 6 I had stage fright and I slightly froze and said “Errr...” Then I managed it. Afterwards it felt good.

Zach – Year 6 It’s scary at first but after you’ve done it you feel great and, moving forward, it will make me braver. Year R were fantastic and there was a lot of joy.



Parent Survey

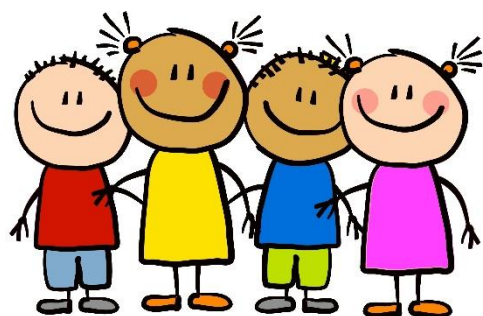
Many thanks to all the parents/carers who responded to our recent survey – we very much appreciated your feedback.

We had a total of 37 responses. Over 60% of those who responded indicated they would prefer at least some parents’ evenings to be in person. We therefore plan to offer in-person meetings at our Parents’ Evenings in March.

We have now closed our survey.

Christmas Post

Our House Captains have been out and about in the village today, delivering cards to our neighbours made on behalf of the school by the children in Oak Class. Mrs Cunningham has started a lovely new Beaulieu tradition!



Headteacher Stickers

Mia – Year R For always following the Golden Rules and being kind

Isabella – Year R For using her phonic knowledge brilliantly to support her reading and writing

Freddie C, Preston and Jack – Year 1 For fantastic maths

Maddison – Year 1 For superb spelling and application of her phonics learning

Freddie C Year 1 (2!) For working so hard and so successfully on his spelling and letter formation

Harper – Year 1 For courage and enthusiasm

Theodore, Martha, Mia and Harper (2!) – Year 1 For showing a great understanding of the key events in their history journey and for presenting their thinking with care and creativity

George and Reggie – Year 2 For depth of thought and for making links between different aspects of learning in history

Ela – Year 1 For sparkling! (Dancing, singing and smiling in our Christingle rehearsals)

Vincent and Amy – Year 1 and Ruben – Year 2 For outstanding design technology

Henry – Year 2 For great progress with reading

Sophie and Jenson – Year 2 For making significant improvement in handwriting

Lucy and Tilly – Year 3 For so kindly helping the whole class by tidying up without being asked

Keira – Year 3 For working so hard to improve her spelling

Albie – Year 3 For excellent, independent research into the Anglo Saxons

Walter, Monty, George and Eli – Year 3 For inspiring and leading others with their beautiful singing

Izzy – Year 4 For exceptional progress with her times tables

Bella – Year 4 For mastering a piece of piano music and performing it beautifully to the whole school

James – Year 4 For superb science and DT

Lily, Bella (2!) and Sadie – Year 4, Lily – Year 5, and Freddie and Daisy – Year 6 For leadership and role modelling in our assemblies

Natalie – Year 5 (2!) For effort and resilience and for mastering a piece of guitar music and performing it beautifully to the whole school

Aurora – Year 5 For wonderful singing

Ruby and Paloma – Year 5 For the effort and courage put in to improving their narration

Riley – Year 6 For making such significant improvement in his writing

Zach – Year 6 For impressive writing stamina

Felix – Year 6 For a beautiful piece of emotive writing

Ned – Year R (2!) For using his phonics knowledge to write independently

Jack – Year 1 For outstanding kindness (using his Children in Need money to buy Pudsey ears for a friend who was upset about not having any)

Bethany – Year 5 For writing, and bravely sharing, such a beautiful prayer about remembrance

Indy – Year 6 (2!) For courage – sharing her thoughtful reflection during our remembrance service and playing the piano in our pupil assembly

Daisy – Year 6 For putting so much effort and thought into her maths (even though it's not her favourite subject)


On behalf of all staff and governors, wishing you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Best wishes,



Katherine Jones

Headteacher

<div><h2>Diary Dates</h2><p>Please keep these dates for your diary. New dates will appear in red</p></div>		
Day/Time	Event	Notes
Tuesday 3 rd January	INSET day	
Wednesday 4 th January	Return to school	
Monday 13 th – Friday 17 th February	HALF TERM	
Wednesday 15 th March	Parents' Evening	For parents/carers of children in all year groups – details to follow
Wednesday 22 nd March	Parents' Evening	For parents/carers not attending on the 15 th March
Friday 31 st March	Break up for Easter	
Monday 17 th April	Return to school	
Monday 29 th May – Friday 2 nd June	HALF TERM	
Monday 5 th June	INSET day	

Tuesday 20 th June	Sports Day	Whole school picnic followed by traditional races – families welcome. Details to follow
Friday 23 rd June	Sports Day Reserve	In case it rains on the 20 th !
Friday 21 st July	Break up for the summer holiday	

St Barbe's Christmas Bash



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MUSEUM + ART GALLERY
LYMINGTON

Does your child have benefit related
free school meals?

FREE activity days + **FREE** hot lunch!

Holiday
Activities &
Food (HAF)
Programme

Mon 19 December

Miss Witt Chocolate Workshop

(11-16 yrs) No adult required

Tues 20 December

Treehouse Theatre Panto

Jack and the Beanstalk

(Family Day) Adult must be present

Wed 21 December

Christmas Crafts and Christmas Party

(Family Day) Adult must be present

Thur 22 December

Forest Forge

Snow Queen Puppetry Workshop

(11-16yrs) No adult required



**To book visit www.stbarbe-museum.org.uk
or for more information**

please email joanne.ainslie@stbarbe-museum.org.uk

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Activity Club

Active For All deliver a wide range of fun activity clubs run by qualified and experienced coaches at your school

Beaulieu Village Primary School

Spring 1 Term : 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Monday – Football Boys & Girls Years R-6

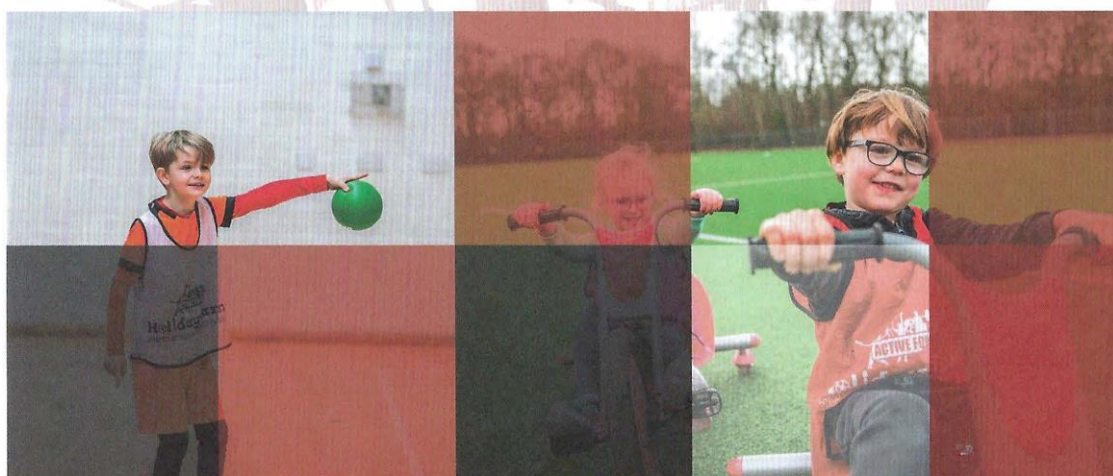
Tuesday – Dodgeball years R-6

Wednesday – Arts & Crafts/Lego Years R - 6

Thursday – Multi-Sports Years R - 6

Friday – Team Games R - 6

For more details or to book go to our website



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