

Beckley Church of England Primary School

School Newsletter

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Our Value in focus this month is...

Peace

The School Prayer

*This is our school
Let peace dwell here
Let the room be full of contentment
Let love be here
Love of one another
Love of mankind
And love of God
Let us remember
That as many hands build a house
So many hearts make a school*

Maths Workshops

Our Year 4 maths team of Gabriel, Eleanor, James and Darcy took part in the Primary Maths Challenge at Summer Fields School. They worked hard solving problems and shape puzzles in friendly competition with over 40 other schools. They represented the school brilliantly, finishing in a respectable 21st place.



Children in Need

With a highly entertaining 'Spotacular' theme, great fun was had celebrating Children in Need last Friday. The amount raised this year was £108. Thank you for your support.



New Phonics Reading Books

With the help of FOBS, we have purchased some new phonics reading books. The books will be used in school as guided reading texts, but will also be sent home to reinforce and consolidate the phonics teaching that happens in lessons. It is worth noting that this is separate and in addition to the normal reading books. A big thank you once again, goes to FOBS.

Shoe Box Appeal

I am delighted to report that 47 shoe boxes were collected and that they will soon be on their way to Iraq. Thank you to everyone who made this possible and for your kind donations to this year's hugely successful appeal.



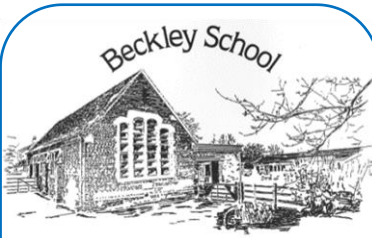
Anti-Bullying Week

We marked Anti-Bullying Week with a series of special activities and classwork around this year's national theme, 'all different, all equal'. The children particularly enjoyed writing poems about the topic, some of which were read out in our sharing assembly.

Poppy Appeal

This year's Poppy Appeal in school was more popular than ever. Thank you to all those who supported this excellent charity by contributing.





Beckley School **After School Club**

Our popular After School Club runs from 3.20pm until 5.30pm every school day.

It provides high quality childcare with a wide range of fun activities and play opportunities for the children.

The club is run by the school and conforms to all of our policies and procedures.

Any child who comes to the school is welcome to attend the club.

Places are restricted for the children's own safety and to ensure adequate staffing.

It costs £7.00 per child per session. Pupils must be booked into After School Club termly in advance.

After School Club can be contacted through the school office.

Water Butt

The Community Orchard Team are kindly donating a water butt to the school. We are very grateful for this contribution, which will be used in our garden area to help teach the children about important themes such as where our food comes from.



Piano and Singing Tuition

MJMusicServices offer Piano and Singing tuition at school. If your child is in Year 2 or above and you are interested in them learning the piano or having singing lessons at school, please contact Michael Davies at mjmusicservices@aol.com

Some Reminders...

Just a reminder that the Carol service will take place in Church at 6pm on Tuesday 5th December. The Nativity will take place in Church at 2.15pm on Wednesday and this will be followed by the FOBS Christmas Fayre back at school. All are welcome to attend.

Non-Uniform Day

Next Friday we are having a non-uniform day in exchange for an item for the Christmas Fayre the following week. FOBS will send out more information about what they would like you to provide shortly.

Best wishes

Mark Szortowski
Headteacher

Important Dates

November

28th More Able Writer Workshop
30th Big Christmas Sing – School Choir at Oxford Town Hall

December

1st Non-uniform day in exchange for gifts for Christmas Fayre
5th Little Egret and Lapwing visit to Museum of Natural History
5th Carol Service in Church 6pm Years 4 – 6
6th Nativity in Church at 2.15pm Reception – Year 3
6th Christmas Fayre 3.30pm in the school hall
11th Pantomime in school hall for all children
12th FOBS Christmas Disco
13th Christmas lunch for Reception – Year 3
14th Christmas lunch Years 4 – 6
14th Full Governing Body meeting
15th Christmas Jumper Day
19th Break up today at 1.20pm

January

4th Children back to school
11th Eye test for Reception pupils
16th Headteacher's Surgery 4-6pm
26th Schools Concert – Year 4
30th IMPS visit to JR – Year 6

February

5th Parent Consultations in the school hall 3.30pm – 6.30pm
6th Safer Internet Day
7th Parent Consultations in the school hall 3.30pm – 6.30pm
9th Coffee morning 9 – 11am
9th Break up today at 3.20pm
12th – 16th HALF TERM
19th Children back to school

March

2nd Whole school music day
6th Height and weight check for Reception and Year 6 pupils
6th Headteacher's Surgery 4-6pm
15th Full Governing Body meeting
23rd Sports Relief
28th FOBS Easter egg hunt