Beaconhill Community Primary School

Newsletter - Friday 24th November 2023

Happy Friday!

Hello everyone, the **countdown** to **Christmas** is unavoidable now that we have had these beautiful images painted on the **office windows**. Local artist, Stuart Laverick, painted these **Snowman** themed images on **Thursday** and I think they look marvellous! We have also had **Branch and Bone** in school to fit the mesh cover for the sandpit in the **Early Years yard** so keep an eye out for pictures on **Facebook** in the coming weeks. For now, I hope you all have a fantastic weekend.

Many thanks, Mr Routledge

Year Six Parent/Carer SATs Workshop

A big **thank you** to all of the parents and carers of our **Year Six children** who came along to the **SATs workshops** this week. We are determined to give our children every possible chance of doing well in these assessments and your help at home is vitally important. Thanks to **Miss Dobson** and **Mrs Cragg** for putting the slides together. Please continue to support your child with their **homework** and **reading**.

Beach Visits

A reminder to ensure that your child attends school wearing their **wellies** and **waterproofs** on **beach days**. We are spending an **increasing amount of time** sourcing equipment for children which is taking up valuable **learning time** at the beach.

Christmas Jumper Day 2023

Children are all invited to wear a Christmas Jumper on **Thursday 7th December** for **Christmas Jumper Day**. Christmas Jumper Day is **Save the Children's** annual **event** which raises money for the children who need it most. Every **December**, millions of people across the country put on a festive jumper at work or school and make a donation to help give children the magical future they deserve. Children are invited to bring a **£1 voluntary donation** to go to Save the Children.

Head Lice

We have had a couple of cases of **head lice** in school this week. Head lice and nits are **very common** in young children and their families and are picked up by **head-to-head** contact. Staff are not able to search children's hair for live lice, but if any are spotted we will **inform parents immediately** so that treatment can be started at once. Please remember to check and treat the whole family to avoid further spread and again after four to seven days to catch any newly hatched lice. A good website to visit is <u>www.headlice.org</u> which has a useful section of **frequently asked questions**. We also ask that **long hair** is tied back for **health and safety reasons** and to avoid the potential of head lice to spread.





Key stage 2 Mathematics

Paper 2	reasoning:	
First name		

First name	
Middle name	
Last name	





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Christmas Performances

We are looking forward to welcoming you all into school next month for our **Christmas performances**. More information around **tickets** will be shared next week but the **dates** for your **diary** are as follows:

Monday 11th December at 2:15pm - Early Years and Key Stage One Tuesday 12th December at 9:15am - Early Years and Key Stage One Thursday 14th December at 2pm - Key Stage Two Christmas Music Performance Friday 15th December at 9:15am - Key Stage Two Christmas Music Performance

Mulled wine and **festive biscuits** will be available for **parents** and **carers** at all of our performances and we will be collecting **voluntary contributions** to help fund **school improvement initiatives** including increasing the number of **iPads** in school and upgrading the **Early Years** outdoor environment.

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A reminder that from Monday 8th January, we will be taking over the running of our Wraparound care. We plan to release bookings for the first half of the Spring Term (Monday 8th January - Friday 16th February) at the end of next week. We have planned a series of themed nights for the club including 'Mario Kart Mondays' on our new Nintendo Switch, 'Small World Wednesdays' (Brio, Duplo and Lego building!) and 'Friday Film Night' complete with popcorn! Information about booking will be shared next week.

Key Stage One Disco

A reminder that the **Key Stage One Disco** will take place on **Wednesday 29th November** from 3:15 - 4:15. Tickets are £2.50 and need to be paid online. This includes a **drink**, **crisps** and **some sweets**. Children should attend school in their **uniform** but bring their **disco clothes** in a bag **to change into** at the **end of the school day**. All proceeds will go towards school funds.

Christmas Party Food

This year we will be **providing a Christmas party buffet** for the children. We would like to ask for **donations to help fund this**. We will use the donations to create **hampers for a Christmas themed raffle**. Please send Christmas sweets, chocolate or crafts into school from **Monday 27th November**. Thank you for your continued support.

On the Menu ...

From Monday 4th December, our dinner menus will look slightly different. We will be changing our dinner provider to go with the local authority offer. Miss Luke (from the kitchen) and I have worked with the school council to gather the views of children to see what they'd like to see on the menu. There won't be any changes to the payment system and the price of dinners will remain the same. To the disappointment of some, we couldn't guarantee burgers and chips with ice cream every day but the new menus look great and we will share them with you when they're finalised.

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Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	 Chicken Fajita Wrap (CG, may M) Steamed Potatoes Garden Peas 	Pasta Bolognaise (CG) Mixed Vegetables Garlic Bread (CG	Pepperoni Pizza (M, CG) Side Salad Sweetcorn	 Roast Beef Yorkshire Pudding (CG, E, M) Roast Potatoes Vegetables 	Breaded Fish (F, CG) Chips Garden Peas
Option 2	Tuna/ V Cheese Wrap (F, CG may M) / (M, CG) Steamed Potatoes Garden Peas	Vegetarian Wholewheat Pasta (CG) Mixed Vegetables Garlic Bread (CG)	V Cheese Pizza (M, CG) Side Salad Sweetcorn	V Tomato Pasta (CG) Garlic Bread (CG)	V Vegetarian Sausages (E, CG) Chips Garden Peas
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Desserts	V Homemade Biscuit (CG, may M)	V Pink Sprinkle Cake (E, CG)	V Banana Cake (E, CG) & Custard (M)	V Homemade Biscuit (CG, may M)	V Angel Delight (M)
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