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Panto



Year 5

MRS FITCH AND MRS STACEY

CHRISTMAS FAIR, SATURDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2019 - We are very much looking forward to the Christmas Fair tomorrow. The Christmas Fair team have been working very hard in the lead up to the fair and have spent the past few days transforming the school ready for the event – it's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has volunteered to help in one form or another at tomorrow's event. Special thanks must go to the BPTA's Christmas Fair team Gemma, Kristi, Michaela and Marianne – hopefully they can start planning their own Christmas' after Saturday.

PARENTS' CONSULTATIONS – We hope you enjoyed sharing and celebrating with your child/ren their many achievements this term on Wednesday at Parents' Consultation. Staff very much enjoyed catching up with you.

CAFÉ B NEWS – As you are aware, Rachel and Yvonne will soon be leaving Café B. On Thursday we met with interested parties and are delighted to tell you that Elif Gorguner (mum to Can, Year 5) will take on the role of Cafe Co-ordinator and Riccardo Castagna (dad to Marco, Year 1) will take on the role of Cafe Assistant. We are sure that you will join us in congratulating them and getting to know them in the coming months. We are really excited about developing our cafe further. However, we are very sad to be saying goodbye to Rachel and Yvonne at the end of term and wish them every success for the future. Thank you Rachel and Yvonne for everything that you have done to ensure Café B's continued success. In the transition period we will need to use some school equipment whilst new things are purchased for the Café. Please bear with us during this interim period and we hope to have a full launch once all of the new equipment has arrived.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH FOR THE CHILDREN – Just to remind you that our 'whole school' Christmas lunch takes place on Wednesday, 11 December 2019. Should your child/ren wish to have a Christmas dinner, please can we ask that you book via our school caterer [Aspens](#) by **Monday, 2 December 2019**. Unfortunately, if you do not book by this date, your child will need to bring a home packed lunch on the 11th.

<p>Wednesday 11th December</p> <p>Traditional Glazed Roast Turkey Or Roaf en Craute</p> <p>Served with Fresh Sage and Caramelised Onion Stuffing</p> <p>Ultimate Roasties, Christmas Trimming Traybake, Sticky Pigs and Gravy</p> <p>Dessert</p> <p>Sticky Toffee Christmas Pudding with Vanilla Sauce Or Melling Snowman Cookie</p>

BPTA / COMMUNITY

We recently caught up with Nick, a parent who has been volunteering with the PTA since 2016, and asked him: **"What advice can you give to parents who are considering lending a helping hand with the PTA?"**

"In my short time with the PTA we've funded many, many exciting projects around the school, all of which have enriched the children's experience at Boxgrove. We also make annual donations to each year group for additional resources and contribute to the Hardship Fund."

Nick went on to say "Lending a hand, no matter how large or small, will help make positive changes that enhance the children's experience and education at Boxgrove. Not only can you put your skills and hobbies to good use, I've also found it's a really good way to network within the school community too!" To find out more about the wonderful work our PTA does, please pop along to the next meeting which is on Monday, 9 December 2019 at 8:45am at Boxgrove. You can also join the PTA on [Facebook](#); just search for Boxgrove PTA!

To find out more about Boxgrove PTA please [click here](#) - **Boxgrove PTA – "Doing More Together"**

Below you will find all the latest events, information and letters from each year group for this week:

- All the letters are available on our school's website www.boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk
- The links highlighted below will take you straight to the location where you can view, download and print the letters that are relevant to your child's year group
- Please be advised that all letters are available under the Parents' Zone, [Letters Sent Home to Parents](#) tab in the event you are unable to open the link.

YEAR GROUP	ACTIVITY / NEWS / TRIP
Reception	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andersen class have their 100 points class reward on Tuesday 3 December 2019. They can come dressed in their pyjamas and bring a cuddly toy on that day.
YEAR 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swimming: All children in Year 1 will swim next Wednesday 4 December due to their performance taking place on Thursday. Please can children still wear their PE kits next Thursday as normal.
YEAR 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Update
YEAR 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 3 Swim Squad will not be training on Monday 16 December 2019. This session will now take place on Monday 2 December 2019. • Tuesday 3 December - Japan Day. The children will experience Japan School for the morning. The children may bring in their slippers for this morning only.
YEAR 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If your child is in Fry or MacArthur House, they will miss their swimming lesson on Wednesday 10 December due to the Carol Concert. This session will now be on Monday 16 December 2019 in the morning. • Strings Concert: We look forward to welcoming parents / carers to our Strings Concert on Tuesday 3 December at 2:15pm.
YEAR 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beauty and The Beast (Tolkien and Simmonds): Please click here for reminder. This will be a 3:45pm pick up from Boxgrove on Monday 2 December 2019. • Luther King – RGS trip. • Year 5 Swim Squad will not be training on Monday 2 December 2019. This session will now take place on Monday 16 December 2019. • Year 5 welcomed Andrew's aunt, Elaine, who came to talk to the children about her experiences travelling to Antarctica. Elaine was superb and gave the most informative presentation to the children which really brought home the extreme conditions of life in Antarctica and what it must have been like for Shackleton and his crew when Endurance was finally trapped in ice in the Weddell Sea. Elaine was able to share her knowledge of Shackleton's feat from her own experiences of travelling to some of the most remote parts of the world. The children were enthralled and had so many excellent questions to ask Elaine, and the incredible answers and explanations she gave, will support the children next week when they write a first person narrative about Endurance's journey from Buenos Aires to finally becoming trapped in the Weddell Sea. • Strings Concert – The concert will be held at 2:15pm in Kent Hall.
YEAR 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please note Year 6 children in Fry and MacArthur ARE NOT swimming on Monday 16 December 2019. • Beauty and The Beast: Please click here for reminder. Please click here for reminder. This will be a 3:45pm pick up from Boxgrove. • Drama Club: There will be no Drama club this Monday, 2 December 2019. Drama will start again, on Monday 13 January 2020.
EARLY YEARS AND KEY STAGE 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thank you for signing up to come to our Christmas play. Please can we ask that everyone signs up by 12:00pm on Monday 2 December. We will then be able to offer extra spaces. • Year R https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/reception-christmas-performance-tickets-82597919601?utm_term=eventurl_text • Year 1 and 2 https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/years-1-2-christmas-performance-tickets-82594120237?utm_term=eventurl_text • To book extra spaces please speak to your child's class teacher and they will add them to a sign-up sheet in class.

Key Stage 1

- **Carol Service:** The Key Stage 1 Carol Service will take place on **Monday 9 December 2019** at 9:00 in the Kent Hall.

WHOLE SCHOOL

- **REMINDER:** From January, we have vacancies for the following positions in school.
Grovers
Unqualified Playworker
Breakfast Club
Monday, Wednesday & Friday 7:45am to 8:45am.
Grovers After School Club
Monday 2:45pm to 5:45pm.
Midday Supervisor
Monday to Friday 11:30am to 1:15pm working with Key stage 2 pupils.
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Please email Cathy Barns at admin@boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk for more information.
- **Fighting Fitness Judo Club:** If you'd like more information and to enrol your child(ren) (Reception – Year 6), please [click here](#).
- **Clubs:** School run clubs finish on Friday 6 December 2019 (excluding PSD's Dodgeball and Hockey clubs). Please note after Christmas clubs will start again on **Monday 13 January 2020** and will run until week beginning **Monday 23 March 2020**.
- **BPTA:** Please see attachments. These attachments have been sent out already today – so just in case you missed it!
- **Electric Theatre – Light Sky** - On Saturday 30 November, at 4:00pm there will be a parade celebrating the arts and incorporating all sorts of diversity in Guildford. This will start at the Electric Theatre and will travel around the local area. Lots of schools have been involved in this lottery funded scheme. Some children from Boxgrove have contributed to this exciting event by working with local artist, Kate Alger, to produce fantastic owl lanterns. There will be food, music and creativity galore so carry on celebrating and head into the city centre. Let us know if you spot our owls! <https://electric.theatre/light-sky-30th-november-2019/>.

