



Boxgrove
Primary
School
& Children's Centre



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AN UPDATE FROM MRS FITCH AND MRS STACEY

On Friday we welcomed Plasticus the Sky Ocean Rescue whale to Boxgrove. We were delighted to have the opportunity to bring him to Boxgrove to highlight the issues of plastic waste in the ocean. Thank you Gemma and Mark (mum and dad of Milo and Teddy in Year 1) for enabling this to happen. Plasticus represents 250kg of plastic pollution which enters our waters every second. The children also had the opportunity to hear first-hand from Gemma how he was created and why their company were asked to make him. We hope that this memorable experience will have a lifelong impact on the children at Boxgrove and that they, along with all of us, think about how our usage of plastic impacts the environment. Thank you @RealiseliveLtd and @SkyOceanRescue – #PASSONPLASTIC.

During assembly Mrs Stacey set the children a challenge. She invited them all to **create a poster** to highlight the small steps we can all take to reduce our usage of plastic. There will be a prize for the winning entry from Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. The winning entries will then be turned into large posters which will be shared via our newsletter and also around the school as a reminder to us all. The closing date for entries is **Friday, 7 December 2018**. Posters should be handed into your child's classteacher.

On Wednesday one of our Year 4 pupils brought a poem he had written at home to share with us. Please do have a read of the below as we are sure you will be as equally amazed by the words Thomas has used.

Adaptation of Flanders Fields by Thomas T, Year 4:

Flanders Fields where the poppies may grow,
We shall never forget the lives of though,
That gave their lives for us to win,
That battle that was ever so grim,
Flanders Fields where the poppies may grow even though,
The battle raged on,
The rain came down and the trenches got wet,
We shall never forget,
What they have done to make us free,
So we can live in peace and harmony,
The poppies grew high,
You could hear the sighs,
Of war raging on,
But bravely the birds still sang their morning song,
Flanders Fields where the poppies may grow for the men that died in the war,
We will watch them in awe,
What was the use of the war anyway?
Now we can see what effect it has done.

PARENTS' EVENING – We hope you enjoyed meeting your child/ren's classteacher(s) during Parents' Evening and celebrating with your child/ren their many achievements. It was lovely to catch up with so many of you.

YEARS 3 – 6 CAROL SERVICE AT ST JOHN'S STOKE CHURCH (next to the Lido) – Please see the 'Dates for your Diary' below of when we will be holding our annual Carol Service for pupils and parents in Years 3 – 6. This year the children will attend the service in their **HOUSE** groups. Hopefully this will make life a little easier for parents/carers as you will only need to drop off your child/ren on 1 day. Further details of

timings etc., will be sent home via the newsletter in a couple of weeks. We look forward to sharing this 'festive' occasion with lots of you.

EVENTS NEXT WEEK

Week Commencing: 19 November 2018

Monday:

Tuesday: Year 2 – Great Fire of London

Wednesday: Walk to school
Brunel Class – Parent Assembly – Kent Hall – 9:00am – 9:30am

Thursday:

Friday: Anning Class to Tornead

UPDATES FROM THE CHILDREN/CHILDREN CENTRE

KEY STAGE 1 / Children's Centre

Reception

This week Reception have been learning all about the different seasons and weather. We have created some brilliant art work, learning all about how the trees change and their colours throughout the seasons. We have carried on with our shape topic and know lots of 2D shapes and how many sides they have. We have also been working very hard on practising our songs and lines for the Christmas play.

KEY STAGE 2

Year 4

This week Year 4 have been creating non-chronological reports about dragons to send to Professor D. Ragon at the National History Museum. The children have produced some spectacular pages that are on display in the classroom should you wish to find out more! We have also been writing on the bouldering wall! Whilst moving along the wall towards a writing lens (such as thought, taste or feeling) we were able to secure our position in order to write a sentence linked to our learning about "The Blue Umbrella".



COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PARTY – FRIDAY, 7 DECEMBER 2018

On Friday, 7 December between 1:30pm and 3:00pm, we are once again holding our annual Community Christmas party in the Bull Hall. This is a wonderful afternoon where we invite members of our local community, grandparents, aunts, uncles and family friends to come to the school for a festive afternoon. During the afternoon our guests are supplied with sandwiches, tea, sherry(!) and entertained by our children plus an outside entertainer!

Sally (mum of Tia Year 5) and Helen (mum of Laura Year 5) are once again, kindly organising this event. Help with sandwiches/savouries/cake donations and help on the day with setting up and clearing up would be greatly appreciated. If you can help with any of these please email Sally on; philandsally2@btopenworld.com.

Some of our guests are not able to make their own way to the School, so if you are able to help with transport for some of our guests, please let Nicky White (School Office) know.

BOXGROVE INTERNATIONAL EAL (ENGLISH AS AN ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE)

COFFEE MORNING – TUESDAY 27 NOVEMBER AT 9:00AM

All EAL parents and carers are warmly invited to a coffee morning here at school on Tuesday 27 November at 9:00am. There will be an opportunity to meet with Abi Rudall, Assistant Headteacher and Nicki Woodward, Home School Link Worker and to meet other EAL families in an informal get together. Tea, coffee and refreshments will be provided. Please email Nicki Woodward if you would like to attend: hslw2@boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk or if you would like more information.

HEADLICE IN SCHOOL

We have been notified of head lice in practically every year group this week. Please could we ask all families to check head this weekend and take appropriate action. Please see NHS link for more information. <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

MIDDAY SUPERVISOR VACANCY

We have two midday supervisor positions available for Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. Key Stage 1 – Monday – Wednesday 11:30pm – 1:00pm and Key Stage 2 – Monday – Tuesday - 11:30am – 1:15pm. Please email Cathy Barns on admin@boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk for more information.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING IN CAFÉ B

WEDNESDAY 21 NOVEMBER

Janorah Handcrafted: Former Boxgrove teacher Debbie Jannels will be selling handcrafted bags for adults & children. Orders can also be taken for custom designs.

FRIDAY 30 NOVEMBER

Besom Hampers Donations: Bring them to the café to help disadvantaged families enjoy Christmas - Christmas cake, pudding, chocolates, biscuits, mince pies, soups, cereals, honey, jam, tea, coffee, hot chocolate, tinned food, fruit juices, cranberry jelly, stuffing mix, washing powder, soaps, bubble bath, candles, baubles, napkins, paper table cloth and crackers

WEDNESDAY 5 DECEMBER

Louise's Handmade Cards: School Mum Louise will be selling her lovely handmade Christmas & other occasion cards.

WEDNESDAY 12 DECEMBER

Sally's Boutique & Couleur Caramel Beauty Products: Treatment vouchers available too. 10% of the day's takings to the Hardship Fund for all stalls

WEDNESDAY 19 DECEMBER

LAST CAFÉ OF 2018: TRAIDCRAFT (FAIR TRADE) Christmas Decorations and stocking fillers are now available to buy in Cafe B.

MESSAGES FROM THE OFFICE

*****PLEASE REMEMBER TO BOOK YOUR CHILD'S LUNCHES FOR NEXT WEEK*****

MEDICATION HELD IN SCHOOL

Please come and check any medication that we hold in school to ensure all medicines are in date.

PAYMENTS DUE/OUTSTANDING PAYMENTS:

If your child has been on a school trip, or had a workshop in school, please check your scopay account for any outstanding payments.

LETTERS / EMAILS SENT OUT

ALL – Booking Christmas dinner

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

If dates are in red – they are new dates

If dates are in green – they are amended or deleted dates

2018

20 November	Year 2 – Great Fire of London
21 November	Walk to school
21 November	Brunel Class – Parent Assembly – Kent Hall – 9:00am – 9:30am
23 November	Anning Class to Tormead
24 November	BPTA Christmas Fair – 1:00pm – 4:00pm
26 November	Year 5 – Simmonds Class – RGS Workshop
26 November	Walk to school
26 November	Last week of School run clubs
26 – 28 November	Happy School Bag – (recycling of clothes)
28 November	Darwin class – Parent Assembly – Kent Hall - 9:30am – 9:30am
28 November	Happy School Bag collection
28 November	Nasal Flu Immunisations – Reception, Years 1 – 5
29 November	Nasal Flu Immunisations – Reception, Years 1 – 5
30 November	Café B open

30 November Carroll Class to Tornead
30 November **Key Stage 1 Christmas play – 9:15am pm – Kent Hall**
3 December Year 5 – Luther King Class – RGS Workshop
4 December **Year 6 – Height and Weight (School Nurse)**
4 December Reception Christmas play – 9:15pm – Kent Hall
4 December Key Stage 1 Christmas play – 1:30pm – Kent Hall
5 December Key Stage 1 Christmas play – 9:15am – Kent Hall
5 December Reception Christmas play – 2:15pm – Kent Hall
5 December Walk to school
7 December Community Christmas Party – Bull Hall – 1:00pm – 3:00pm
10 December **EYFS/KS1 – Carol Service at school – 10:00am – 10:30am – Kent Hall**
10 December Year 5 – Tolkien Class – RGS Workshop
11 December BPTA Meeting – 7:45pm - 9:00pm – Children’s Centre
12 December **Key Stage 2 – Carol Service – St John’s Church – Fry & MacArthur**
12 December Christmas lunch for all children (more details to follow)
13 December **Key Stage 2 – Carol Service – St John’s Church – Redgrave & Grey Thompson**
13 December Reception classes – Cinderella – Yvonne Arnaud
13 December Walk to school
17 December Walk to school
19 December SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR CHILDREN AT 1:10pm

2019

3 January Inset Day – School closed for children
4 January Inset day - School closed for children
7 January School re-opens for children
9 January Additional Open Day for prospective parents – 10:00am -11:00am
11 January Carroll Class to Tornead
18 January Carroll Class to Tornead
25 January Churchill Class to Tornead
29 January BPTA Meeting – 7:45pm - 9:00pm – Children’s Centre
1 February Churchill Class to Tornead
8 February Churchill Class to Tornead
11 February **Pedals Course (in school) – Dahl class**
12 February **Pedals Course (in school) – Blake class**
13 February **Pedals Course (in school) – Shakespeare class**
15 February Anning Class to Tornead
1 March Anning Class to Tornead
4 – 6 March Happy School Bag – (recycling of clothes)
5 March BPTA Meeting – 7:45pm - 9:00pm – Children’s Centre
6 March Happy School Bag collection
8 March Anning Class to Tornead
12 March Parents’ Evening – 3:30pm – 5:30pm – Kent Hall
13 March Parents’ Evening – 3:30pm – 7:30pm – Kent Hall
14 March Class photographs
15 March Carroll Class to Tornead
19 March **Year 1 – Pedals (class tbc)**
20 March **Year 1 – Pedals (class tbc)**
22 March **Year 1 Pedals (class tbc)**
22 March Carroll Class to Tornead
29 March Carroll Class to Tornead
23 April BPTA Meeting – 7:45pm - 9:00pm – Children’s Centre
26 April Churchill Class to Tornead
3 May Churchill Class to Tornead
7-10 May Year 5 - Ironbridge Residential Visit
21 May BPTA Meeting – 7:45pm - 9:00pm – Children’s Centre
3-7 June Year 6 – Residential Trip - Chatsworth
14 June Churchill Class to Tornead
15 June BPTA Summer Fair
17-19 June Year 4 –Henley Fort Trip
19-21 June Year 4 Henley Fort Trip
23 June Anning Class to Tornead
28 June Anning Class to Tornead
3 July Inset Day – School closed for children
5 July BPTA Family BBQ
9 July BPTA Meeting – 7:45pm - 9:00pm – Children’s Centre