



AN UPDATE FROM MRS FITCH AND MRS STACEY

We have had yet another very busy week in school! Along with all that the children have been learning we also welcomed to Boxgrove just over 200 teachers from Surrey Primary Schools along with the Assistant Director from the National College for Excellence in Teaching of Mathematics (NCETM) and delegates from the Department for Education (DfE) and Surrey Plus Maths Hub. We were very proud of the children in Blake and Earhart class who took it all in their stride when they shared their Maths lessons taught by Miss Wang and Miss Zhu with everyone.

On Friday we said goodbye to Miss Wang and Miss Zhu. We have very much enjoyed hosting them here at Boxgrove and would like to thank Miss Kelly, Mrs Robinson and Miss Watts for looking after them. We will definitely keep in touch with them once they return to Shanghai. Just before they fly home they are off to the Chinese Embassy with Miss Kelly to share an evening with the Ambassador, members of the DfE, NCETM, other visiting teachers from Shanghai and their partner schools.

YEAR 1 – The children have been learning to tell the time. They have been learning the difference between o'clock and half past. They have also been using adjectives to describe a setting. Mr Gumpy's Motorcar has been a great inspiration for this and we were very proud of their use of adjectives in their writing.

YEAR 3 – Sometimes would you like to have more than one of you? Year 3 have been reading Noah Scape. Noah decides to 'double' himself and then discovers the consequences of that. 300 of yourself is not always a good idea! Following on from the story the children made puppets drawing identical pictures. Have a look at the photo above to see their work.

YEAR 5 - This week Year 5 have been creating poems based on the 'Tempest' and storms using figurative language. The children have thoroughly enjoyed writing their poems and we have enjoyed reading them. Please do stop by Year 5 to have a read.

HOME LEARNING SURVEY – We have sent home a letter today regarding Home Learning and would be grateful if you could take a few minutes of your time to complete the Survey which can be found on our school website <http://www.boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk/parent-information/surveys-live>. If you have more than one child at Boxgrove please feel free to take the Survey more than once if you feel your responses are different. Thank you in advance for taking the Survey.

EVENTS NEXT WEEK

Week Commencing: 28 January 2019

Monday:

Tuesday: Year 2 – Bug Man (in school)
BPTA Meeting – 7:45pm – 9:00pm – Children's Centre

Wednesday:

Thursday: Year 3 – Winchester Science Centre

Friday: Walk to school
Churchill Class to Tormead

UPDATES FROM THE CHILDREN/CHILDREN CENTRE

KEY STAGE 1 / Children's Centre

Children's Centre

Thanks to all of you who have shown support and completed the consultation regarding Surrey CC's threat to close our Centre next year. We are awaiting the outcome of the meeting at County Hall on January 29 which will determine our future. In the meantime, our services will continue as they always have done, so do please look at the website (www.boxgrovechildrenscentre.co.uk) or call the Centre on 540818 for full details of our all we do. If you know of a family with children under 5 who may benefit from our service, please pass on our contact details. On the website, we also put up flash announcements of group closures or changes, notably due to weather or staff sickness, so do check before you set out.

KEY STAGE 2

Year 6

This week, Year 6 have continued with their decimal work in Maths: converting them into fractions and answering questions that have really tested their understanding. The children have been resilient in solving problems including pictorial representations. In English, we have read *Little Ships* by Louise Borden and then been very collaborative by individually writing our own verses to be included within each groups' final piece. Devices such as alliteration, repetition and metaphor created some very emotive language. In Science we explored the relationship between an object and a light source and how they change the appearance of shadows. We continue to learn about World War II, through reading texts and watching original Pathé footage of those urging the rescue of troops in Dunkirk.

ASD / ADHD PARENT SUPPORT GROUP – TUESDAY, 12 FEBRUARY AT 9:00AM

We are delighted that Maggie Walker, who is affiliated to Boxgrove School and provides expert educational support from Surrey County Council and Sally Phethean, lead teacher for ASD, are both able to join us for our next ASD/ADHD parent support group meeting. Both Maggie and Sally will be able to answer and discuss any issues that you would like to raise. Robyn Wright, Senco and Danielle Elson, ASD lead at school will also be attending as well as Nicki Woodward, Home School Link Worker. We also have Jamie Dippie from Guildford's YMCA coming along to do a short talk about his role and provide information about a playscheme for children with ASD which offers activities, trips and events throughout the year. Everyone is welcome Please email Nicki Woodward if you will be attending the group meeting at hslw2@boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk This will be an informal meeting and refreshments will be provided. Please feel free to bring along pre-school children.

NOTIFICATION TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE FOR SICKNESS/ABSENCE

If your child is unwell and absent from School, please inform the School Office on the first day of absence via; absence@boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk or phone 01483 563 701 and press Option 1. Please do not feel you need to notify us every day of their absence, an email or letter stating the reason of absence and dates they were off school, on the day they return is sufficient.

BREAKFAST CLUB – SPACES AVAILABLE

Breakfast Club currently has a few spaces available Monday - Friday Please email grovers@boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk if you are interested in your child taking up a place/places. Please leave contact details and Mary Chambers, (Breakfast Club/Grovers Manager) will contact you.

ENERGY KIDZ HOLIDAY CLUB – FABULOUS FIESTA

Energy Kidz Holiday Clubs provide themed activities for children and reliable childcare for parents. You can secure your place now with our **10% Early Bird Discount Offer** by entering the code **EBFEB19-1** whilst making your booking on our website: <https://www.energy-kidz.co.uk/holiday-club/>. Please note that this early bird discount offer expires at midnight, Sunday 27 January.

GUILDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL – FEBRUARY HALF TERM ACTIVITIES

Guildford Borough Council has collated useful information on activities for children and young people taking place in Guildford over the February half term. Details of playschemes, arts and crafts, sports activities, family days out and much more can be found on their website: www.guildford.gov.uk/holidayactivities

THANK YOU FROM BESOM

Guildford Besom wanted to say a massive thank you for the wonderful Christmas Hampers given by the children at Boxgrove School. The hampers helped many people including families that are struggling to have enough money each week, those who don't have enough money to buy basic items such as beds, sofas or cookers, a family with a very sick child and a man who has been homeless. Everyone was so thrilled to receive the hampers and it made such a difference to their Christmas! So thank you so very much again!

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 scopy account for any outstanding payments.

LETTERS / EMAILS SENT OUT

All – Home learning

Reception classes - BPTA Disco

Earhart and Blake - Maths Hub Showcases

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

If dates are in **red** – they are new dates

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

2019

29 January	Year 2 – Bug Man (in school)
29 January	BPTA Meeting – 7:45pm - 9:00pm – Children's Centre
31 January	Year 3 – Winchester Science Centre
1 February	Walk to school
1 February	Churchill Class to Tormead
6 February	Carroll class assembly – parents /carers welcome
6 February	Walk to school
7 February	Reception classes – Disco (in school) 2:00pm – 2:50pm
7 February	Years 1-6 School disco
8 February	Year 5 – Mary Rose – children to be at school for 8:15am
8 February	Churchill Class to Tormead
11 February	Pedals Course (in school) – Dahl class
12 February	Pedals Course (in school) – Blake class
12 February	ASD/ADHD Parent Support Group meeting
13 February	Year 4 - Indian Drumming workshop
13 February	Pedals Course (in school) – Shakespeare class
13 February	Tolkien class assembly – parents/carers welcome
14 February	Walk to school
14 February	Boxgrove Prayer Group - @8:45am – (venue tbc)
15 February	Anning Class to Tormead
18-22 February	Half term – School closed
26 February	Year 1 – Brooklands
26 February	Walk to school
27 February	Year 4 – Bikeability (more details to follow)
28 February	Year 4 – Bikeability (more details to follow)
1 March	Year 4 Bikeability (more details to follow)
1 March	Anning Class to Tormead
4 – 6 March	Happy School Bag – (recycling of clothes)
5 March	BPTA Meeting – 7:45pm - 9:00pm – Children's Centre
6 March	Cook class assembly- parents/carers welcome
6 March	Happy School Bag collection
7 March	Walk to school
8 March	Anning Class to Tormead
12 March	Walk to school
13 March	Sharman class assembly – parents/carers welcome
12 March	Parents' Evening – 3:30pm – 5:30pm – Kent Hall

13 March	Parents' Evening – 3:30pm – 7:30pm – Kent Hall
14 March	Boxgrove Prayer Group - @8:45am – (venue tbc)
14 March	Class photographs
15 March	Carroll Class to Tornead
19 March	Year 1 – Pedals (class tbc)
20 March	Year 1 – Pedals (class tbc)
20 March	Shakespeare class assembly – parents/carers welcome
20 March	Year 5 – Hampton Court visit
21 March	Walk to school
22 March	Year 1 Pedals (class tbc)
22 March	Carroll Class to Tornead
25 March	Walk to school
27 March	Chichester class assembly – parents/carers welcome
29 March	Carroll Class to Tornead
1 April	Walk to school
5 April	Last day of Spring term – school finishes at 1:10pm
23 April	School reopens for all children
23 April	BPTA Meeting – 7:45pm - 9:00pm – Children's Centre
26 April	Churchill Class to Tornead
28 March	Boxgrove Prayer Group - @8:45am – (venue tbc)
3 May	Churchill Class to Tornead
7-10 May	Year 5 - Ironbridge Residential Visit
9 May	Year 4 – Nower Wood trip
21 May	Happy Shoesday – more details to follow (Living Streets Fundraiser)
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
24 July	Last day of Summer term – school finishes at 1:10pm
4 September	Inset day – school closed for children
5 September	Inset day – school closed for children
6 September	School reopens for children Years 1- 6
29 September	BPTA fun run (more details to follow)

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6 January	Inset day – school closed for children
7 January	School reopens for all children