



AN UPDATE FROM MRS FITCH AND MRS STACEY

Where has this half term gone! We have had much to celebrate at Boxgrove this half term. We've welcomed lots of visitors and the children have enjoyed the many external trips/activities. In assembly on Friday the children thought about how to keep themselves fit and healthy. Why not ask your child/ren what they have remembered, for example, how many glasses of water they should drink a day and how long they should brush their teeth for. We also had the chance in assembly to wish Mrs Collins good luck whilst she completes her interim Headteacher role at Sandfield Primary School.

You may have seen from our school Twitter feed, [@BoxgroveSchool](#) that we had an article published in the Times Educational Supplement (TES) last week regarding our Co-Headship here at Boxgrove. We have found out this week that the Department for Education (DfE) would also like to include our article on their blog. If you are interested in reading our article, please [click here](#).

KEY STAGE 2 INTER-SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY EVENT – On Thursday Miss Mackay took pupils from Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 to compete at the third inter-school Cross Country event at St Joseph's School. Once again all the children excelled, with many achieving personal bests. Well done to Oscar L, Year 6 for 3 wins out of 3. Thank you to all our parents/carers in helping transport the children to and from the event and for cheering them along. This year we have a very strong team and look forward to the final event at Holy Trinity School in March.

YEAR 4 DRUMMING WORKSHOP – For those of you who were able to join us on Wednesday we hope you enjoyed listening to the children's Indian Dhal drumming performance. It was certainly noisy but we hope you agree, rhythmic.

YEAR 5 & 6 FOOTBALL – Thursday also saw our Year 5 and 6 Football teams compete here at Boxgrove against Northmead school. The games were very competitive and both ended in 1-1 draws. Throughout the matches Mr Stevenson and Mr Agombar were ably assisted by Richard D, Year 6 in his role as Assistant Manager. For those of you who came along, we hope you enjoyed both games.

BPTA SCHOOL LOTTERY – Just a reminder that the BPTA have now launched their fundraising lottery. Flyers were sent home last week. If you didn't receive one and would like to find out more, please [click here](#).

HOUSE MUFTI WINNERS - We are delighted to announce that Fry house (yellow) is this half term's winner of a mufti day. Children in Fry house may come to school dressed in their own clothes on **Friday, 1 March 2019**.

Wishing all our families a restful and enjoyable Half Term break. Just a reminder that school re-opens for all pupils on Monday, **25 February 2018 at 8:40am**.

EVENTS NEXT WEEK
Week Commencing: 25 February 2019

Monday:

Tuesday: Year 1 – Brooklands Trip
Walk to School

Wednesday: Year 6 – Evacuation Day – come dressed as a 1940 Evacuee

Thursday: Year 6 – Evacuation Day – come dressed as a 1940 Evacuee

Friday:

UPDATES FROM THE CHILDREN/CHILDREN CENTRE

KEY STAGE 1 / Children's Centre

Reception

This week, we were surprised to find enormous footprints in our outside area. We decided the footprints must belong to the giant from Jack and the Beanstalk. We were right! Outside we measured the footprints and they were 18 cubes long. We wrote letters to the giant, pretending to be from Jack to say sorry for taking the giant's golden hen and harp. The giant even replied to us. His letter was written on very big paper. During the week, we also planted our own bean stalks. We wonder how high they will grow.

KEY STAGE 2

Year 5

This week in Year 5 the children have been continuing their work on fractions using addition and subtraction. They have learnt to add and subtract fractions with the same denominator and having to find common denominators. They have been using bar models to help them work out these calculations. In English they have been editing and finalising their Alma narratives. They then created a comic strip to tell the next step of the story. We followed up our trip to the Mary Rose last week by writing an account of our favourite parts. It was an amazing day out with lots of interesting artefacts. In Science we looked at Sir David Attenborough's life and had a go at presenting our own wildlife videos - with some budding wildlife presenters in the making!

PARENTS' EVENING – MARCH 2019 – ON-LINE BOOKING 'LIVE'

The on-line booking for next terms Parents' Evenings will go live on Tuesday, 26 February at 9:00am and will close on Thursday, 7 March at 10:00am. Please log on to your scopay account from Tuesday 26 to book your appointment(s).

MIDDAY SUPERVISOR VACANCIES

We have two vacancies for midday supervisor's positions. The vacancies are for a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday between 11:30am – 1:15pm. If you are interested, please contact Cathy Barns via email on admin@boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk.

EAL – 5 WEEK FREE COURSE

All EAL families are invited to sign up for a FREE 5 week English course which will focus on improving your own English whilst learning how best to support your child's learning in school. We are fortunate to have Maria Szende as our tutor for this course from Family Learning. Please do join this course if you are able to as it is a wonderful opportunity to get to know other EAL families in school in a relaxed and informal setting. Please print and return the attached forms as soon as possible to the School Office or to Nicki Woodward, Home School Link Worker. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me: hslw2@boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk

ART AND CRAFT CLUB - MONDAY

If your child would like to join Art and Craft Club after the half term break, please [click here](#) and follow the instructions.

PLEASE BE COURTEOUS TO OUR NEIGHBOURS WHEN PARKING

We have been notified on quite a few occasions recently of inconsiderate parking near to driveways, paths and in front of the school gates, making it hazardous for our neighbours, pedestrians and other drivers. Please could we ask you to think about where you are parking and dropping off your children.

SCHOOL LUNCHES – YOU CAN NOW ORDER FOR AFTER HALF TERM

Spring / Summer menu from Aspens is now live. Please order for after half term as soon as you can.

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

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

26 February	Year 1 – Brooklands
26 February	Walk to school
27 February	Year 6 – Evacuation Day – come dressed as a 1940 Evacuee
28 February	Year 6 – Evacuation Day – come dressed as a 1940 Evacuee
1 March	Fry House to wear Mufit for being House point winners
1 March	Anning Class to Tornead
2 March	GDSSA Swimming Gala – Spectrum Leisure Centre (tbc)
4 – 6 March	Happy School Bag – (recycling of clothes)
5 March	BPTA Meeting – 7:45pm – 9:00pm – Children's Centre
6 March	Infant Bedtime Stories – 5:00pm – 6:00pm (held in classrooms)
6 March	Cook class assembly- parents/carers welcome
6 March	Happy School Bag collection
7 March	Walk to school
8 March	Anning Class to Tornead
11 March	Parents' Evening – Milne Class – 3:30pm – 5:50pm
12 March	Parents' Evening – Milne Class – 3:30pm – 5:30pm
12 March	Walk to school
12 March	Parents' Evening – 3:30pm – 5:50pm – Kent Hall
13 March	Sharman class assembly – parents/carers welcome
13 March	Parents' Evening – 3:30pm – 7:30pm – Kent Hall
13 March	Parents' Evening- Milne Class – 5:30pm – 7:30pm
14 March	Boxgrove Prayer Group - @8:45am – (venue tbc)
14 March	Class photographs
15 March	Carroll Class to Tornead
19 March	Year 1 – Pedals Brunel
20 March	Year 1 – Pedals Chichester
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 Stephenson
22 March	Carroll Class to Tornead
23 March	It's A Fish Out – Swim gala – Dorking Leisure Centre
25 March	Walk to school
27 March	Chichester Class assembly for parents – Kent Hall – 9:00am
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 Tormead
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 Tormead
15 June	BPTA Summer Fair
17-19 June	Year 4 –Henley Fort Trip
18 June	Year 1 – Brighton Sealife Trip
19-21 June	Year 4 Henley Fort Trip
23 June	Anning Class to Tormead
28 June	Anning Class to Tormead
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)
28 Oct – 1 Nov	Half Term – School closed

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