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### **Welcome Back**

Welcome back, I do hope that you have all had a lovely summer and that your children had a great time while not at school. It has been lovely watching all the children coming back looking so smart in their uniforms and looking so happy to be back at school. I know the change in routine can be difficult for some children but once in school all the children have been so happy and settled this week.

Getting used to a new class and a new routine can be a bit daunting for many children and parents, if you have any questions please do speak to your child's class teacher they do understand what it is like and they will be happy to chat to you. I am always free to chat to if you need and you can either catch me most mornings on the Budds Lane gate or pop into the office and make an appointment to see me.

As it is the start of the year can I just give a few reminders, please ensure you have named everything. Things get lost a lot in schools and if they are named we can normally get them back to you, without names it is very difficult.

Please also ensure children are only wearing stud earrings at school and that any hair accessories are simple and preferably in the school colours, red, black, grey or white.

There are a lot of exciting things to come this year and I look forward to working with you to ensure your children have an amazing year.

Matt Greenhalgh Headteacher

## **Upcoming Events**

#### 20 September 2018

Bordon herald to take photos of the Year R classes

#### 28 September 2018

Non-uniform day – see details below

#### 30 September 2018

11am-3pm FoBS Family Fun Day

#### 1 October 2018

School Photographer In

#### 19 October 2018

9am Harvest Assembly

3.15pm End of term

#### 29 October 2018

8.45am Start of term

#### 30 October 2018

Flu Immunisations

#### 6 November 2018

9am Year 1&R Parents for RWI

session

1pm M&M Productions In

#### 16 November 2018

Non-uniform Children In Need Day

#### **20 November 2018**

Year 2 Parents to watch Writing

## **Home School Agreement**

Coming home with this newsletter is the new Home School Agreement. A Home School Agreement sets out what we individually as a school, you as parents and the children agree to do to be a part of our school community. The old Home School Agreement was only given out when children started in Reception but following the school Governors talking to parents we have decided to revise the agreement and to send it out at the start of each year.

The agreement is for you to keep, there is no need to sign and return it like there was with the previous version. We hope that the Home School Agreement will be useful and will be something you can talk with your children about. The part for the children has the language we use in school to teach the children how to be a good learner. This may be useful for you to use at home when reading with your child or helping them learn their sounds and spellings.

#### **Retirement of Mrs Ayres**

Very sadly after 25 years of working at the school Mrs Ayres one of our school LSAs has decided to retire. Mrs Ayres has made a huge difference to so many children over her time working at our school and she will be very much missed by all of the children and the staff. 25 years is an amazing achievement and just shows the dedication Mrs Ayres had to the school and the children of Bordon. Mrs Ayres worked in every year group but most recently was working in Year R, as well as being one of our Lunchtime Supervisors. We all wish Mrs Ayres a well-deserved retirement from school life and thank her for everything she has done for our school.

Due to current levels of government funding to schools we will be unable to replace Mrs Ayres as an LSA, her roles in school will be taken on by other staff. We are however looking to fill her Lunchtime Supervisor role and will be advertising shortly for that.

# Governors Bike Ride to Raise Money for the School



Paul Glaysher and Ben Holden two of our school Parent Governors will be taking part in the Do it for Charity London to Brighton Cycle Ride. This is a mass-participation cycle ride covering the 54 miles from south London to Madeira Drive on Brighton sea front. The ride will take place on the 16<sup>th</sup> September and thousands of riders are expected to take part.

Paul and Ben are doing this challenge to raise money for the school. If you would like to sponsor them on this challenge and help to raise money for the school please go to their just giving page.

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/benandpaull2b

# **FoBS and the Family Fun Day**

This years fantastic Family Fun Day will be on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September. As usual there will be masses to do including go carts, Nerf Wars, cake stalls, raffle, tombola, fairground rides and many different stalls and games. All the money raised from the day goes to both Bordon Infants and Bordon Juniors. The school parents association the Friends of Bordon Schools (FoBS) do an amazing job of organising the event and running it. With the Fun Day and all the other activities they run over a year FoBS have given both schools just over £24,000 in the last two years. FoBS do desperately need people to help them, especially on the Fun Day. If you are free to help move furniture around on the Sunday morning please come along to the school field anytime from 8:00am. If you can help run a stall please let the school office know. We do really need the help!

#### Non-uniform day Friday 28th September

To help get ready for the fair we are having a non-uniform day. All we ask is that for every child not wearing uniform they bring in a donation to go on one of the stalls to be sold to raise money.

Donations can be:

A cake to donate to the cake stall

A bottle for the bottle tombola, alcoholic or non-alcoholic

Toiletries or chocolate

Any nice but unwanted gifts we could sell on a stall