



# Newsletter

9<sup>th</sup> December 2016

## Christmas

The past few weeks at school have been full of the Christmas spirit. Christmas was well and truly kicked off by a fantastic Bordon Schools Carol Concert.

The concert was organised by the performing arts teachers at Mill Chase Academy. Each of the local schools were invited to attend and each was given a song to sing. The staff at Mill Chase came into school to support the choir learning their song and then spent a fantastic day with them practising. On the evening of the 1<sup>st</sup> December parents from every school came to the old officer's mess to hear each school perform. I may be bias but our school choir definitely got the biggest clap! It was a wonderful evening for all involved. A huge thank you needs to go to the Mill Chase staff for organising the event and to Mrs Porter for organising our choir. With the success of this event further events are being planned for later in the school year.

Following that was the Year 2 Christingle service in St Marks Church. The Year 2's did an amazing job and sang beautifully. It is one of my favourite parts of the year seeing the children holding their lighted Christingles and singing 'This little light of mine'. Thank you to Reverend Scott Bromley for letting us use the church again this year.

We still have a lot to do before we finish for Christmas. Both Year R and Years 1 and 2 have two performances each of their Christmas Nativities. Year R are performing the lovely 'Wriggly Nativity' and Year 1 and 2 are performing a nativity based around a lonely stable boy. Both promise to be lots of fun to watch. We also have the children's Christmas dinner and Christmas Jumper day on the last day of this term and hopefully even a visit from Santa!

One more busy but fun week to go then I hope you will all have a very merry Christmas.

Matt Greenhalgh  
Headteacher

## Upcoming Events

### 9 December 2016

5.15-6.15pm FoBS Infants Disco

### 13 December 2016

9.30am Year R Christmas Play

2pm Year 1&2 Christmas Play

### 14 December 2016

9.30am Year 1&2 Christmas Play

2pm Year R Christmas Play

### 16 December 2016

Christmas Jumper Day

Party Day

12-1pm Christmas Dinner

3.15pm End of term

### 3 January 2016

Inset Day

### Wednesday 4 January 2016

8.45am Start of term

### 12 January 2017

9-11am Family Fun Session

### 27 January 2017

9.30-10.30am Parents in to watch

Creative Writing

### 17 February 2017

End of Term

### 27 February 2017

8.45am Start of Term

## FoBS Christmas Fayre

### £1400 raised

A huge thank you needs to go to all the members of FoBS for organising a fantastic Christmas Fayre again this year. The work they have been putting in this term is incredible. As a group they have raised enough money for over £10,000 to be spent this term alone between the two schools. We hope you had a great time and thank you for supporting the schools.

## Family Fun

### Thursday mornings starting 12th January 2017

After Christmas Messy Play will be moving to a Thursday morning 9-11am. The sessions will be centred around play and craft with a variety of activities throughout the morning finishing with stories and song time. This session will still be run by the wonderful Mrs Burningham.

With the old Children's Centre rooms being given to the school we will run Family Fun in the Community Room. This is the room opposite the log cabin, if you are unsure where to go please come to the main school office and we will be happy to show you round.

Family Fun is open to any family with a child under school age. You do not need to have a child at our school to come along, so if you know a family who would like to come along please let them know.



### Stars of the week

**2<sup>nd</sup> December**

Xavier Ibbs  
Noah Fenton  
Raphaella Spears  
Mateo Estigoy  
Maisie Lovelock  
Eliza Fasham

**9<sup>th</sup> December**

Izabella Gray  
Jessica Oliver  
Charlie-Alan  
Eacott  
Madison Griva  
Olivia Sarnecka  
Damien Wilson



### Lost Property

We have a huge amount of lost property which has been gathered this term.

If you are missing anything that your child has not brought home please do come and have a look for it.

The school lost property box is situated in the main office, please come in and ask Mrs Edney or Mrs Mitchell.

At the end of term we bin anything that has not been claimed!

### Christmas Homework

The Christmas holidays are always very busy times, however it is a long time with no school work.

#### Reading

Finding a few minutes to sit down and read every couple of days will really benefit your child. Please remember we have Bug Club which the children can also use to read.

#### Language

Children have great fun opening presents but getting children to describe their presents to family and friends and to talk about the games they have played or will play with their presents is a great developer for their language.

#### Writing

Writing cards or thank you letters will be great practice. Even if they are copying bits that you have written for them it will help with handwriting practice.

### Breakfast and Afterschool Club

We still have spaces every day for both Breakfast and Afterschool Club for the new year. This has not been the case for a few years so if you would like your child to start coming to either of these clubs please just pop into the school office or give us a ring.

Breakfast club starts from 8am and we provide the children with breakfast and offer a range of activities for £3 a morning.

Afterschool club runs to 5:10pm every day and costs £5. The children do a range of craft activities, inside and outside play or even read with staff if you would like them to. A snack and drink are also provided.

