

Badshot Lea Village Infant School

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Dear Parents,

Sensory Garden

We are delighted that our beautiful Sensory Garden, just off the path around the field, is now completed. We are so very grateful to Mr Stinson (parent of Alex in Mars Class) for his expertise in creating such a wonderful garden area and for all his invaluable help and support in continuing the development of our lovely school grounds. Thank you Mr Stinson from everyone at school.

A huge thank you also to Mr Fox (our caretaker) for creating such wonderful wildlife scenes on the three curved friendship benches now situated in the Sensory Garden. They really are beautiful.

Our school grounds were judged in the South East in Bloom Competition yesterday. Fortunately the sun shone and everywhere looked beautiful. Thank you to Mrs Mansfield for making sure everything looked at its best. Also, very many thanks to children, parents, grandparents, staff and Governors for working so hard in the school grounds before judging day. You should all be very proud of your efforts. Well done. We should know the outcome of the South East in Bloom Competition before the end of term.

Scarecrow Competition

Some excellent news - we won the Scarecrow Competition organised by Birdworld! Many congratulations to Sorel Watson (Star Class) for designing such an amazing scarecrow and to everyone who helped make the 2D design a 3D reality. Well done to Mrs West, Mr Fox and Mrs Watson for building the scarecrow and to Sorel and her friends for adding the creative details. A superb team effort. Well done!

Plant Sale

Thank you to everyone who donated and purchased items at the Plant Sale last week. A magnificent £91 was raised. This money will be used by Tree Aid to buy fast growing fruit trees and big bags of seeds. Your marvellous contribution will really make a difference to families in Africa. Thank you for your wonderful support.

The Friends of Badshot Lea Village Infant School

Just a reminder that The Friends of Badshot Lea Village Infant School will be seeking to appoint a new Chair of The Friends from the beginning of next academic year. Sadly Kirsty Snashall (parent of Jake in Sun Class) will be moving on and will no longer be Chair. If you would like to be really involved in the life of our busy school do please consider putting yourself forward to be Chair of The Friends. It is a highly rewarding position. If you would like to find out more do please talk to Kirsty Snashall or Lorraine O'Mara (parent of James in Sky Class and Amy in Star Class) - they would be very happy to tell you all about the role of Chair of The Friends.

Summer Afternoon Tea

Thank you to everyone who made the delicious cakes and biscuits for the Summer Afternoon Tea organised by The Friends earlier this week. It was lovely to see so many families enjoying this social, fund-raising event. A fantastic £168 was taken during the afternoon. Well done to the organising team!

Golden Boot Challenge

Please don't forget we are currently taking part in the Golden Boot Challenge. We hope that our school community is reducing the number of car journeys to and from school during the four week long Golden Boot Challenge.

Finally ...

We said goodbye to Mrs Hagerty yesterday. She will be very busy over the next couple of weeks as she prepares to emigrate to New Zealand at the end of June. I am sure you would like to join me in wishing Mrs Hagerty every happiness for the future as she embarks on such a wonderful adventure.

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Robinson back to school after her period of recuperation. Mrs Robinson will be teaching at Badshot Lea until the end of this term. After all that Mrs Robinson has been through in the last few months she has made the very difficult decision to move away from the area to be closer to her family. Sadly Mrs Robinson will therefore be leaving us at the end of the summer term. The process of finding her replacement is now underway. I will keep you informed of any developments.

Yours sincerely,

Jan Weir

Dates for Your Diary

Monday 15 th June	Class Photographs.
Tuesday 16 th June	Eco-School Green Flag Assessment Day.
Wednesday 17 th June	We will be welcoming Rev Carol to school today to take assembly.
Thursday 18 th June	We will be welcoming Simon Murray, an author of children's books, to school today. This activity has kindly been paid for by The Friends.
Saturday 27 th June	Farnham Carnival.
Monday 29 th June	Induction Meeting for new parents at 7.30pm.
Wednesday 1 st July	Year 2 children to visit William Cobbett School for the morning.
Thursday 2 nd July	Ballroom Dancing Day (for the children)!
Saturday 4 th July	Sports and Summer Fair - please put this date in your diary!
Monday 6 th July	Year 2 Birdworld visit - details already distributed.
Wednesday 15 th July	Consultation Week - details to follow.
Friday 17 th July	Year 2 Stay and Play - details already distributed.
	Leavers Service at St Georges Church at 9.30am for year 2 children and their parents - details to follow.
	Picnic and Sports at William Cobbett Junior School for year 2 children - details to follow.
	Children's Disco kindly arranged by The Friends - details to follow.
Monday 20 th July	Pizza and Beach Party - details to follow.
Tuesday 21 st July	Stars of the Year Assembly for year 2 parents - details to follow.
	The children finish at 3pm for the Summer Holiday.
Wednesday 22 nd July	We will be CLOSED today.
Thursday 3 rd September	The children in years 1 and 2 return to school today.