

Badshot Lea Village Infant School

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Dear Parents,

Swine Flu

You may have gathered that All Hallows Secondary School has been advised to close until next Monday as a number of pupils and staff are suffering from flu-like symptoms, with some confirmed cases of Swine Flu. Attached to this newsletter is information sent from the Local Authority concerning All Hallows with advice for 'at risk groups'. For additional information concerning Swine Flu you can contact NHS Direct at www.nhsdirect.nhs.uk or on 0845 4647. As far as Badshot Lea is concerned it is 'business as usual' until we are advised otherwise.

Farnham Carnival

Many congratulations to everyone who helped make our entry in the Farnham Carnival Parade such a brilliant success. We were awarded third prize in our category. A huge thank you to Sara and Jason Jones (parents of Jacob in Sun Class), Liz Crossley (parent of Edward in Star Class) and Julie Watson (parent of Sorel in Star Class) for organising the workshops, designing and making the wonderful dragon and making sure everyone had the correct costume and accessories. A huge thank you also to the parents who 'escorted' our dragon round the streets of Farnham. You did a brilliant job. Well done!

Ugly Bug Ball

During this coming Friday (3rd July) afternoon we will be holding an Ugly Bug Ball. Don't forget that we would like all children to dress-up for the day as a 'bug'. Your child may dress in the same costume they are going to wear for Sports on Saturday. Alternatively they may like to dress-up as a different 'bug' for this occasion. Remember it is a Ball, so glamorous outfits would be sensational!

We would welcome help from parents at any time during Friday to decorate the hall, set up and help serve refreshments to the ballroom dancers. If you are available and would like to help please let Mrs Stairs (in the school office) know as soon as possible. Thank you.

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.

New Class Teacher

I am delighted to report that we have successfully appointed a class teacher for Mars Class. Mrs Strachan is an experienced teacher and has recently been working with children in year one. We look forward to welcoming Mrs Strachan to our school in September.

School Meals

We have received notification that the price of a school meal is to increase from the beginning of the Autumn Term. The cost will be £1.90 per day, a total of £9.50 for the week. If you think you are entitled to free school meals, do please contact Mrs Stairs (in the school office) in strict confidence.

Children whose parents are in receipt of the following support payments are entitled to receive free school meals:

- Income Support (IS)
- Income Based Job Seeker's Allowance (IBJSA)
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit, provided your annual income is less than £16,040 (as assessed by HMRC) and you are not in receipt of Working Tax Credit
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Income Related Employment Support Allowance

Summer Term Consultation Meeting

Our Summer Term Consultation Meetings are set for next week. Your child's Annual Report will form the basis of the meeting with your child's class teacher. Reports will be sent home this Friday. Please sign-up for a Consultation Meeting - lists will be available all this week. If you are unable to come in to school to sign-up, do please contact Mrs Stairs (in the school office) and she will do her best to arrange the appointment for you. This service is only available for parents who are unable to come in to school.

Yours sincerely,

Jan Weir

Dates for Your Diary

Wednesday 1 st July	Year 2 children to visit William Cobbett School for the morning.
Thursday 2 nd July	Ballroom Dancing Workshop Day (for the children)!
Friday 3 rd July	Dressing-up Day for our Ugly Bug Ball. Annual Reports out today.
Saturday 4 th July	Sports and Summer Fair - we look forward to seeing you at 10.45am at school.
Monday 6 th July	Year 2 Birdworld visit - don't forget sun cream, sun hat and plenty of water. Consultation Week - please sign-up for your meeting.
Tuesday 14 th July	Year 2 children to attend the 'Happy Puzzles' Workshop at Heath End.
Wednesday 15 th July	Year 2 Stay and Play between 3pm and 4pm.
Thursday 16 th July	Garden in a Tin afternoon - please make sure you have returned your form for this activity.
Friday 17 th July	Leavers Service at St Georges Church at 9.30am for year 2 children and their parents. Picnic and Sports at William Cobbett Junior School for year 2 children.
Monday 20 th July	Pizza and Beach Party.
Tuesday 21 st July	Stars of the Year Assembly for year 2 parents. 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.