

Badshot Lea Village Infant School

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Dear Parents,

Congratulations Badshot Lea!

Last night our school received two prestigious awards for our school community gardening efforts. We were awarded Silver in the Schools Garden Category of the Secret Gardens of Farnham Competition and Gold in the Schools Hanging Basket Competition. Congratulations and well done to everyone who helped with gardening tasks throughout the year and maintained our lovely hanging baskets. Two brilliant rewards for all your hard work. Well done!

New Governors

I am really delighted to introduce two new Governors to Badshot Lea. Mrs Cathy Green (parent of Charlie in Sky Class) is our new Community Governor and Mrs Sarah Arnold (parent of George in Sky Class) is our new Parent Governor. Congratulations to both parents. We all look forward to working with our two new members of the Governing Body.

Farnham Firework Fiesta

Farnham Firework Fiesta will take place on Saturday 7th November. The torchlight procession will leave Central Car Park at 6.30pm, with the fireworks starting at 7.30pm in Farnham Park. The bonfire will be lit at 8pm.

We will be selling tickets at school, after the half term holiday, for this fantastic family event. For every ticket sold, we will receive 50% of the value of the ticket. To qualify for this excellent fund raising opportunity we need to supply the names of two adults to act as marshals during the Farnham Fireworks Fiesta. If any parent would be willing to be a marshal, please let Mrs Stairs know as soon as possible. It is not an onerous task. You can enjoy the torchlight procession and the fireworks with your family as well as acting as a marshal. The organisers would like marshals to meet at around 6pm in Central Car Park for a quick briefing before the proceedings start.

We have some brilliant designs for our Guy from year 2 children - it is going to be very difficult to decide on the one design we will make into a full size Guy for the Farnham Firework Fiesta Guy Competition. Year 2 children, if you have not already drawn your design you have this evening to get your pencils and crayons out as the closing date is tomorrow morning!

Autumn Term Consultation Meetings

Autumn Term Consultation Meetings for parents of pupils in years one and two have been set for the week beginning 9th November. Appointment lists are now available. If you are unable to come into school to sign up for an appointment to meet your child's class teacher please telephone the school and Mrs Stairs will arrange the appointment for you. This service is only available for parents who are unable to come into school.

Hedgehogs Sponsored Swim

Well done to Mrs Stairs, Mrs Payne, Mrs Rickwood and of course Alfie Rickwood, for taking part in the Hedgehogs Sponsored Swim last Saturday. Thank you for supporting our school. All money raised will go towards the purchase and installation of a new playtime sandpit.

Shopping Evening

Tickets for the Shopping Evening on Thursday 19th November will be available to purchase from 4th November. Tickets, priced £3 each in advance, or £3.50 on the night, represent great value, for a great evening! Bring your friends, family and neighbours for an evening of shopping in a relaxed atmosphere over a glass of mulled wine.

Harvest Tea

It was lovely to see so many families enjoying the Harvest Tea on Tuesday afternoon. Thank you to the Friends for kindly arranging the tea, serving cakes and drinks and to everyone who so generously made the cakes to sell.

After School Clubs

It has come to my notice that children from our school, their siblings and parents are wandering across the school Car Park at the end of after school activities. May I remind everyone that the school car park is not to be used at any time for pedestrians coming onto or leaving the school site. In addition, vehicles should not be parked in the school Car Park unless parents have authorisation to do so. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Jan Weir
Headteacher

Dates for Your Diary

Friday 23 rd October	We finish at 3pm for the half term holiday.
Monday 2 nd November	We return to school for the second half of the Autumn Term.
Wednesday 4 th November	Literacy Workshop for new parents at 7.30pm.
Week beginning 9 th Nov	Consultation Week.
Week beginning 16 th Nov	Anti-Bullying Week.
Thursday 19 th November	Shopping Night kindly arranged by The Friends - tickets available soon.
Friday 20 th November	Children in Need Day - details to follow.
Monday 23 rd November	Christmas Art Club Special for year 2 children and parents.
Saturday 28 th November	Christmas Fair - please put this date in your diary!
Week beginning 7 th Dec	Christmas Performance week - details to follow.
Friday 18 th December	We finish at 3pm for the Christmas Holiday.
Monday 4 th January	We return to school for the start of the Spring Term.
Friday 12 th February	We finish at 3pm for the half term holiday.
Monday 22 nd February	We return to school for the second half of the Spring Term.
Friday 12 th March	We will be <u>closed</u> to children whilst the staff engage in professional development training.
Wednesday 31 st March	We finish at 3pm for the Easter Holiday.
Monday 19 th April	We return to school for the start of the Summer Term.
Monday 3 rd May	We will be <u>closed</u> for the Public Holiday.
Friday 28 th May	We finish for the half term holiday.
Monday 7 th June	We will be <u>closed</u> to children whilst the staff engage in professional development training.
Tuesday 8 th June	The children return to school today for the second half of the Summer Term.
Saturday 26 th June	Farnham Carnival - please put this date in your diary!
Thursday 22 nd July	The children finish at 3pm for the Summer Holiday.
Friday 23 rd July	We will be <u>closed</u> to children whilst the staff engage in professional development training.