

Badshot Lea Village Infant School

Newsletter Number 10

Friday 6th January 2012

Dear Parents,
Welcome Back!

Happy New Year to everyone! Welcome back to school after what I hope has been a fun-filled Christmas and New Year. The children have been full of holiday stories and New Year resolutions.

We have a busy and exciting year ahead of us with Diamond Jubilee celebrations and the 2012 Olympics to look forward to.

Congratulations Badshot Lea!

Talking of the Olympics; our School Flag is to be displayed in Stoke Park, Guildford as part of the Olympic Torch Relay, at the Surrey Arts Go Concert in the Royal Albert Hall in May, at the Olympic Cycle Road Race events in July and at the launch of the Surrey School Games.



Way back in 2010 our children were invited to design a flag that represented our school. The final design was then made into a full sized flag and displayed in Guildford. At the time a second flag was designed to reflect our partnership with Nepal. This flag was taken to Nepal when two members of staff visited some 18 months ago and now flies high on our partner school building.

Our School Flag.

Christmas Card Recycling

We would be very happy to accept your Christmas Cards for recycling. This year we will be supporting Shooting Star Chase in their efforts to raise much-needed funds through Christmas Card recycling. Please bring your cards to the school office at any time. Thank you.

Christmas Decoration Recycling

Thank you to everyone who has already donated old, unwanted Christmas Decorations to school. If you have not already done so but would like to recycle old Christmas Decorations, we would be happy to accept them at the beginning of next term. We will then recycle items next festive season in art projects. Do please think of us if you are having a Christmas Decorations 'clear out'. Thank you.

Admissions

For parents and carers of children currently in year two and for those starting school in year R in September 2012 your application to junior school or infant school in Surrey must be fully completed by 15th January 2012. I would advise that you do not leave completing your on-line or paper application until the closing date. If you have a Surrey address you will need to apply on a Surrey form or through their website, whilst parents and carers with a Hampshire address will need to use a Hampshire form or website.

School Lunch

If you would like your child to have a hot school lunch, please talk to Mrs Stairs in the school office. School lunch is nutritional and at £2 per day great value.

If you think your child is entitled to free school meals, please talk to Mrs Stairs in complete confidence. Mrs Stairs will be able to advise you on the criteria and guide you through the process of applying for free school meals.

Chinese New Year Lunch will be available on Monday 23rd January. If your child would like to have Chinese New Year Lunch, at a cost of £2, and is not already booked in for school lunch that day, please let Mrs Stairs know as soon as possible and certainly by Friday 13th January.

Severe Weather Conditions

As a reminder, school procedures during severe weather conditions are set out below. Please keep this important information to hand. If the weather deteriorates and it becomes impossible to open the school we will make every effort to inform you. Please tune in to Eagle Radio on 96.4 FM or County Sound on 1566 MW. Alternatively visit the Surrey County Council website at www.surreycc.gov.uk then select *Learning / Schools / School Closures* for up-to-date information. We will use ParentMail as much as possible, so please remember to look at your e-mails or texts.

If you arrive at school during severe weather conditions please make sure you check with Mr Fox (our caretaker) or other member of staff that the school is open, before you leave your child. We will make every endeavour to open the school should we experience severe weather conditions, but I am sure you will appreciate we are unable to open without staff, or if we feel it would be too risky to do so.

Dates for Your Diary

Wednesday 18 th January	Multisports Festival at All Hallows for children in years 1 and 2.
Friday 20 th January	Perform Drama Workshops for all children.
Monday 23 rd January	Chinese New Year Lunch - details available in this newsletter.
Tuesday 31 st January	Performance of Cinderella kindly funded by the Friends.
Wednesday 8 th February	Wow Day with Winston: story teller and singer.
Friday 10 th February	We finish at 3pm for the half term holiday.
Monday 20 th February	We return to school for the second half of term.
Tuesday 27 th March	Cookery Easter Extravaganza for year 2 children - details to follow.
Friday 30 th March	We will be taking the children to St George's Church for our Easter Service. We finish at 3pm for the Easter Holiday.
Monday 16 th April	We return to school for the beginning of the Summer Term.
Monday 7 th May	Public Holiday - we will be CLOSED today.
Monday 28 th May	The beginning of Royal Week - details to follow nearer the time.
Friday 1 st June	We finish at 3pm for the half term holiday.
Monday 11 th June	We will be CLOSED today for staff professional development activities.
Tuesday 12 th June	The children return to school for the second half of term.
Wednesday 20 th June	Class Photographs will be taken today.
Thursday 21 st June	'ActivKids' Sessions for all the children.
Saturday 30 th June	Farnham Carnival - please put this date in your diary.
Saturday 7 th July	Sports and Party in the Playground - please put this date in your diary.
Thursday 19 th July	The children finish at 3pm for the Summer Holiday.

Yours sincerely,

Jan Weir