

Bushbury Lane Academy Times



NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to our Autumn newsletter—the last one of 2019!! We have had a very busy term with lots of changes and things going on in and around school!

CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

Food Bank Collection

We had a non-uniform day on Wednesday 4th December, where we asked all children to bring in an item of food, which we will be donating to the local Food Bank, "The Well" in order to help families less fortunate than ourselves this Christmas.

We had an **AMAZING** response from you all—Thank you so much for your kind generosity!!

Activities

Due to the changes in school recently, we will not be having a Christmas Fayre this year.

However, the children will be doing lots of Christmas activities in school during the last week of term and will also be bringing home some activity sheets. Prizes will be given out for the best ones.

STAY AND PLAY

Our Stay and Play sessions are still very popular!! These sessions are for parents and children aged 0-3 years and are held every Tuesday afternoon in our Nursery. If you, or anyone you know is interested in coming along, please join us every Tuesday from 1:30—2:30pm, there is no charge!. All welcome!!

GOODBYE

We say a fond farewell to the following staff who are leaving us to take up new posts elsewhere :

Mrs Benton—Head Teacher, left us on 29th November

Mrs Barrett—Lunchtime Assistant, left us on 15th November

Mrs Poppitt—Year 5 Teacher, leaves us at Christmas

We wish them all lots of luck in their new ventures!



HELLO

We say a big "Hello" to the following new staff members:

Mr M Aksar, our new Head of School

Mrs L Hopley, Executive Head Teacher who will be with us on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

We're sure you will join us in making them very welcome!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 12th December

Week commencing 16th December

Tuesday 17th December

Wednesday 18th December

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Thursday 19th December

Wednesday 8th January 2020

Wednesday 15th January 2020

Thursday 16th January 2020

Tuesday 4th February 2020

Wednesday 5th February 2020

Thursday 6th February 2020

Friday 14th February 2020

Monday 17th Feb—Friday 21st Feb 2020

School Closed for General Election

Art Week

Year 6 afternoon trip to Wolverhampton Grammar School

Christmas Lunch

Christmas Jumper Day

Nursery & Reception Christmas Celebration

Children break up for Christmas Holidays

Children return to school

WonderDome Planetarium in school

Special Menu Day (more info to follow)

School Nurses in for Reception

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Children break up for Half Term

School Closed for Half Term

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

After school clubs will be running again next term. The letter will be coming out with the club choices week commencing 9th December and will need to be returned by Monday 16th December.

Please note that all clubs run for a full term before they change (ie: From January to Easter) so you will need to sign your child up again to any new clubs they wish to attend at the beginning of each new term.

Please also note that if your child signs up to a club but does not attend 3 times during that term, their place will be lost and given to the next child on the waiting list, so please encourage your child to attend once they have committed.

Also, a reminder to collect your child **promptly** from after school clubs. If you are late collecting your child 3 times, then unfortunately, they will lose their place.



ART WEEK

During the last week of term, all children will be becoming Artists!!

They will be learning about an artist and developing their artistic skills by creating their own "Masterpieces". Parents will be invited into an exhibition at the end of the week to view examples of your children's hard work.



REMINDERS

APPOINTMENTS: Please try to avoid making appointments for your child in school time. However, we do understand that sometimes this is unavoidable. If you do wish to take your child out of school for an appointment, please let the office or Miss Bradford know **in advance**, and bring evidence of the appointment for our records.

Please can you also remember that school ends at 3:15pm every day—including Friday. If you wish to collect your child early—please contact the school beforehand and speak with Miss Bradford. Medical evidence for any parent/carer or child may be requested.

Thank you for your co-operation with this.

LATES: There have been a lot of students arriving late to school in recent weeks. Please make sure that your child gets to school on time. Please remember that school starts at 8:45am.



TEACHERS' CORNER / SCHOOL NEWS

Children in Need

We had a "wear spots for Pudsey" day on Friday 15th November, where we asked for donations of 50p per child to wear non-uniform.

Unfortunately, we only collected a total of £30.91 on the day which was very disappointing. If your child takes part in these special events, please support us.



Book Fayre

We had another Scholastic Book on Thursday 28th for a week.

We sold books to the value of £132.40, which will allow us to buy more lovely books for our Library Bus and Reading Corner



Merry Christmas

Have a go at our quick Christmas Quiz:

1. On Christmas Day, what would you find a joke inside of?
2. Which meat do we traditionally eat for Christmas Dinner?
3. What type of food is left out for Santa on Christmas Eve?
4. What type of creatures are Santa's Helpers?
5. How many reindeer does Santa have?
6. What is the name of Kristoff's reindeer in the Disney film "Frozen"?
7. Unscramble the following word to see a type of Christmas decoration: BUALEB?
8. According to the Christmas song, what colour is Rudolph's nose?
9. What form of transport does Santa use to deliver presents?
10. What colour is Santa's belt?
11. What is the day after Christmas Day known as?
12. How does Santa enter your house on Christmas Eve?



- Answers:**
1. A Christmas Cracker
 2. Roast Turkey
 3. Mince Pies
 4. Elves
 5. 9
 6. Sven
 7. Bauble
 8. Red
 9. Sleigh
 10. Black
 11. Boxing Day
 12. Down the Chimney

We hope you have a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year. We look forward to seeing the children back in school on Wednesday 8th January refreshed and ready for the new term!!

