# **Boorley Park News and Updates**

# 6th October 2023

## **Parent Volunteers**

We always welcome the support of volunteer parents, grandparents and carers in our school. From helping in the classrooms, library, taking part in the reading groups or joining the PTA, you can provide invaluable support.

We have a variety of opportunities available, including listening to readers or working with small groups in class, organising resources in

the classroom and working in the library. It doesn't need to be a lot of time—even 30 minutes once a week can make a huge difference.

Full training will be provided for all roles and this training will also help you to support your child at home too.

You will appreciate that we need to keep our children safe, and as such we have a number of safeguarding checks that need to be carried out prior to volunteering.

We've made it as simple as we can whilst still being compliant with the law and following Hampshire County Council guidelines.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer in our school, please collect an application pack from the School Office or contact the Admin Team and we'll be happy to help.

# Spotlight On.... Harvest Festival

On Thursday 19th October we will be celebrating our annual Harvest Festival in school thinking about where food comes from and how it is shared out locally, nationally and globally.

As part of the festival, we will be collecting food to be donated to the local food bank at Kings Community Church to support local families in need.

If you and your child are able to make a small donation, they are currently suggesting the following items are helpful to them:

tins of meat, tins of fruit or veg, jars of sauce, rice and noodles, cereals, tinned pies, tea and coffee, toiletries and squash.

Please make sure these are in date.

The donations will be collected in the classrooms from Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October and will be displayed in the hall for our Harvest assembly on Thursday.







# Our Assembly Theme This Week

In assembly on Monday, we talked about the British Value of democracy. We explored how governments and representatives of the people are usually elected in a vote where everyone gets a vote to choose who they would like to represent them.

We then linked this to the school council and eco council that we have in school where we elect a representative from each class to share our views.



We learnt that the school council members act as ambassadors for the school at important events, identify what their class thinks about issues and give feedback at meetings, contribute to the improvement of parts of the school and help organise events.

The Eco Council members help to develop plans to make the school more eco-friendly, plan and take part in events linked to being eco-friendly, organise and monitor activities in school (e.g. helping to organise how we recycle) and help the school to retain 'eco-school status'

Elections will be taking place on Monday 9th October for children in Years 1 - 4 (and in January for Year R). To stand for election, we ask each candidate to make a short speech to their class to say why they would be suitable for the role and what they can contribute. The class then holds a secret ballot where each child can vote once for who they would like to elect to represent their class on each council.

# Parents' Evening

Parents' evening booking sheets were emailed out on Wednesday morning.

Please do use the sheet to sign up for an appointment to meet your child's teacher to discuss how they have settled into their new class and the progress they have made so far.

# KS2 Film Night



Thursday 12th October 4.30pm - 6.15pm

£3.50 per child - includes a Hot Dog, Drink and Popcorn.

Payments are made via Parentpay and the last date for payment is Monday 9th October.

### Dates for Your Diaries—2023-2024

### Whole School

#### Autumn Term 2023

- Thursday 12th October—4:30pm-6:15pm—PTA Film Night for KS2 Pupils
- Friday 13th October—INSET Day (school closed to pupils)
- Monday 16th October—3:30pm—7pm-Parents' Evening
- Thursday 19th October—Harvest Festival
- Thursday 19th October—3:30pm—5:30pm—Parents' Evening
- Friday 20th October—Last Day of Autumn 1 Half Term
- Monday 23rd—Friday 27th October—Half Term
- Monday 30th October—First Day of Autumn 2 Half Term
- Wednesday 15th—Monday 20th November Book Fayre in School
- Friday 17th November—Children in Need (Non-Uniform Day)
- Friday 24th November—INSET Day (school closed to pupils)
- Saturday 25th November—PTA Christmas Event
- Wednesday 6th December—Open Box Pantomime in school for all pupils
- Thursday 14th December—PTA Christmas Neon Disco (Year R and Year 1 4:15pm—5pm; Years 2-4 5:15pm-6:15pm)
- Friday 15th December—Last Day of Autumn 2 Half Term

### Year R

- Monday 6th November—Maths Presentation and Workshop—9:15am
- Friday 8th December- Christmas Crafts Workshop with parents - 2.30pm
- Year R Christmas Play—Tuesday 12th December—2:15pm
- Year R Christmas Play —Thursday 14th December—9:15am



### Year 1

- Wednesday 18th October—2:50pm—Art Exhibition to parents
- Tuesday 7th November—Maths Presentation and Workshop—9:15am
- Wednesday 22nd November—2:45pm—Parent Event—Science Workshop
- KS1 Christmas Play—Tuesday 5th December— 9:15am
- KS1 Christmas Play—Thursday 7th December— 2:15pm

### **Upcoming Events and Reminders**

### Year 2

- Friday 20th October—2:45pm—Parent Event—sharing stories
- Wednesday 8th November—Maths Presentation and Workshop—9:15am
- Thursday 23rd November—2:45pm—Parent Event—Car Workshop
- KS1 Christmas Play—Tuesday 5th December— 9:15am
- KS1 Christmas Play—Thursday 7th December—2:15pm

### Year 3

- Tuesday 10th October—2:50pm—Cave Painting Gallery for Parents
- Thursday 9th November—Maths Presentation and Workshop—9:15am
- Friday 17th November—Year 3 and 4 trip to Butser Ancient Farm—**note change of date**
- **Deer Class** Wednesday 29th November— 2:30pm—Fossil Painting Workshop with parents
- Mouse Class Thursday 30th November—
  2:30pm—Fossil Painting Workshop with parents

### Year 4

- Monday 9th October—2:45pm—Parent Workshop (The Romans)
- Thursday 9th November—Maths Presentation and Workshop—9:15am
- Friday 17th November—Year 3 and 4 trip to Butser Ancient Farm—note change of date
- Tuesday 28th November—2:45pm—Parent Workshop (Science)

# **Staying Safe**



THINK

about where

you should cross.

WAIT

until all the

vehicles have

passed.





STOP

in a safe place

at the side

of the road.

LOOK AND

LISTEN

again to make

sure all is clear.











the road. Keep looking and listening.



