



BECKLEY BULLETIN

18 November 2016

November

- Friday 25 BSA Clothes Collection
- Sunday 27 Advent Toy Service: 10am Beckley Church
- Monday 28 Evergreen: Cosmic Classroom at Peasmarsh
- Wednesday 30 Film Night : 3.30-5.30pm

December

- Monday 5 Christmas Jumper Day
- Christmas Craft Day
- Thursday 8 Red Maple/Acorn : ' Out of this World Day'
- Wednesday 14 School Christmas Lunch
- Friday 16 Christmas Service - 2pm at church
- Monday 19 Christmas Fair
- Tuesday 20 Last day of Term 2
- Wednesday 21 INSET Day

ADVENT TOY SERVICE: [10am Sunday 27 November](#)

Children are invited to bring new and/or outgrown toys to this family-friendly service at Beckley Church. The toys will be donated to Demleza House, which provides the best care and support for seriously ill babies, children, young people and their families, across East Sussex, Kent and South East London.

COSMIC CLASSROOM: [Monday 28 November](#)

As part of their topic 'Space: What's Out There?', Evergreen class will join with Peasmarsh children to



enjoy the Cosmic Classroom Inflatable Planetarium! This is an interactive astronomy experience which delivers the awe and wonder of the night sky.

RED MAPLE/ACORN CLASSES: [Thursday 8 December](#)

As part of their 'Space' learning journey, Acorn and Red Maple classes would like children to dress up as an astronaut, a character from a space story or even an alien! Further details will be sent home in bookbags next week.



CHRISTMAS SERVICE: [Friday 16 December](#)

This year, our Key Stage 1 Nativity will be forming the centre-piece of our Christmas Service. The nativity performance is linked to the KS1 topic about Outer Space. There will a mixture of traditional carols, readings and some other Christmas songs in our service. The service will start at 2:00pm at Beckley



Church on Friday 16 December. As in previous years,

the BSA have kindly volunteered to serve mince pies and hot drinks before the service from 1pm. **Don't forget, ALL children should be collected directly from the church at 3:30 pm**

PACKED LUNCHES: We have noticed recently that a few packed lunches have contained bars of chocolate or bags of sweets. Our school policy is to avoid having these in the children's lunch boxes, so please will you help us by not including them. Many thanks.



PARENT CONSULTATION EVENINGS: Thank you to all the parents who came to our recent consultation meetings. We feel it is important to work together in partnership, and we hope you found the meetings useful. As always, please remember our 'Open Door' policy if you want to discuss your child with us at any time!

HERSTMONCEUX TRIP:

Acorn & Red Maple classes enjoyed a visit to Herstmonceux Science Centre recently. The children took the opportunity to explore all the 'hands-on' exhibits (including the water features!!) and particularly enjoyed the 'rising floor' and the 'retractable roof' in the observation dome!



CHILDREN IN NEED:

A BIG 'thank you' to everyone who supported the various fundraising efforts : welly walk, 'Show your Spots' and purchasing the merchandise. Just over £250 has been raised! Well done!



SCHOOL CLOCK: Please be aware that the school clock



is 3-4 minutes fast. We have contacted the company who supplied and installed the clock so hope to have this resolved in due course. The school gate opens at 8:40 and closes at 8:55am in the mornings.

POPPY DISPLAY: Thank you to all those children who took the time to make something for the poppy display. It looks stunning. Thank you also for your contributions to the British Legion Poppy Appeal which raised £147.00!



EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSURES: Please remember that if we do need to close the school due to inclement



weather, or indeed for any other reason, we will of course endeavour to contact everyone via our text messaging service. However, you can also find out details of any emergency closures by checking the East Sussex County Council website :

www.eastsussex.gov.uk/educationandlearning/schools/schoolclosures

The website also gives you the opportunity to sign up for email alerts as soon as a decision is taken to close the school. Announcements are also made on local radio stations including BBC Radio Sussex, Heart FM and Arrow FM.

MUSIC CLASSES :

Keyboard: Wednesday mornings
Each Wednesday this term

Guitar/Violin: Thursday mornings
No class on Thursday 3 Nov



Please can parents ensure that children take their instruments home at the end of the day.

SCHOOL CLUBS: Term 2

Spanish: Year 3-6 Mondays : 3.30-4.15pm
21 / 28 Nov; 5 Dec

Sports Club: Year 3-6 : 3.30-4.15pm
Thursday : 24 Nov; 1 / 8 Dec

Tuesday : 22 / 29 Nov; 6 Dec

Drama Club: Year 3-6 Fridays : 3.30-4.30pm
4 / 11 / 18 / 25 Nov; 2 Dec

BSA News :

Clothes Collection: [Friday 25 November](#)

Next Friday 25 November, the BSA is organizing a clothes collection. Please could you collect any suitable unwanted clothing and bring to school in bin bags on that morning. All clothes should be clean and in good condition - including adult and children's clothing, unwanted presents and things you have never worn, shoes (in pairs, please) and any unwanted belts, caps, hats, handbags and small soft toys.



We also need volunteers to help deliver the bags to Anglo Recycling in Bexhill - please contact Anna or Bruni if you have any questions.

From Monday 28 November - Christmas donation bins will go out, please start sorting at home.

Thank you so much for supporting the Evergreen cake sale, we raised £32.55!

We are busily getting ready for Christmas, have done our IKEA shopping, the cakes are baking and there is

lots happening behind the scenes. We will be holding an additional parents Christmas Craft evening on Wednesday 7 December at Udimore Village Hall, from 7pm. There will be music, mince pies, maybe even some mulled wine! This is a chance for us to get ready for the Christmas Fair, all welcome; please let your class rep know if you can make it. There will still be the traditional preparation evening the day before the Fair.

Volunteers needed for the Christmas Fair on Monday 19th December, please see Bruni or Anna if you can help, either the evening before or on the day, or both!

Christmas Craft Day: [Monday 5 December](#) This is the day when all the children make the items for sale at



the Xmas Fayre. *We will need some volunteers to help so if you would like to come into school and help on this day, please talk to your child's teacher.*

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY: [Monday 5 December](#)

Children are invited to wear a 'Christmas' jumper (other school uniform should still be worn). In return the BSA have asked for children to bring in a 'bottle' of some description for the Christmas Fayre. This can be a bottle of shampoo, shower gel, wine, bubbles etc. These are then used as gifts for the grownups at the Christmas Fair. BSA committee members will collect bottles from the parents in the morning if they are glass or contain alcohol.



LIVING MY LIFE CAREFULLY

Dear God
Help me to walk carefully so I do not crush the flowers I see along my way.
Help me to talk carefully so I do not crush the people I meet along my way.
Help me to listen carefully so I do not crush your voice speaking to me along my way

Amen



Term Dates 2016 - 2017

Term	Start	End
2	Mon 31 October	Tues 20 December
3	Wed 4 January	Fri 10 February
4	Mon 20 February	Fri 31 March
5	Tues 18 April	Fri 26 May
6	Tues 6 June	Thurs 20 July

INSET DAYS :

Wed 21 Dec 2016
Mon 5 June 2017
Tue 3 Jan 2017
Fri 21 July 2017