



BECKLEY BULLETIN



1 December 2023

December

- Thursday 7 BSA Christmas Fair
- Wednesday 13 School Christmas Lunch
- Friday 15 Christmas Service 2.00pm: Beckley Church

January

- Wednesday 3 First day of Term 3

June

- Thursday 27 Sports Day : 1.30pm start
(Reserve Date: Thursday 4 July)

July

- Tuesday 2 Year 6 Leavers' Trip
- Saturday 6 BSA Summer Fair

CHRISTMAS ARRIVES AT SCHOOL! On Wednesday, children had a wonderful day at school, full of the Christmas spirit! Dressed in their Christmas jumpers, each class spent the morning making a range of crafts in preparation for the BSA Christmas fair next week. It was a lovely morning, supported by an amazing team of parent helpers in each classroom, and some fantastic crafts were made by



the children. If that wasn't enough, pupils enjoyed a very special visit in the afternoon. Father Christmas came to Beckley and presented every pupil with a gift. Thank you to all the adults who helped make Wednesday such a lovely festive day. It's official now - Christmas has arrived at Beckley!



SPECTACULAR

SPORTING SUCCESS:

Congratulations to the eight children who qualified to compete at the Hastings & Rother cross-country finals yesterday afternoon. The team performed magnificently, especially as they had to endure extremely cold and unpleasant conditions. Well done to you all! We are also very pleased to announce that four of the children - Hector, Ivy, Macsen and Orna - have qualified to complete at the County finals which will take place early next year.



CHRISTMAS FAIR: The Fair will take place on **Thursday 7 December**. Please can children bring their money in a named purse on the day (suggest £5-£10 in loose change); prices will vary from 20p upwards. A named shopping bag would also be useful!



The children will be taken to the village hall after lunch by the staff. Once there, they can do their own 'serious shopping for Christmas' as there will be gifts



for mums, dads, grannies, etc as well as their own hand-made craft items.

Parents are invited to join us at the hall from 3pm when the raffle will be drawn. Children may be collected from the

Village Hall at 3.30pm.



The BSA are asking if children could bring the following to school on the morning of the Christmas Fair:

Acorns/Red Maple: fairy cakes/muffins/flapjacks etc

Blue Spruce/Evergreen: festive biscuits, chocs etc

(to be sold at the Fair - **NO NUTS please!**)

These will be collected by the BSA at drop-off to school.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH: WEDNESDAY 13 DECEMBER

Along with uniform, we also encourage children to wear their Christmas jumpers to school on this day. Blue Spruce/Evergreen: if payment has not already been made for the lunch, please arrange payment in advance



or bring in on the day (unless you are paying via Parent Pay). £2.85 per lunch.

Thank you in advance to the BSA who provide crackers for everyone, helping to make a very festive feel to the occasion.



For any who have not yet returned the lunch order forms, please could you do so by Monday.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE: FRIDAY 15 DECEMBER

The service will start at 2pm at Beckley Church. As in previous years, the BSA have kindly volunteered to serve refreshments to parents before the service from 1.30pm. **Children to be collected directly from the church at 3.15-3.30pm.**



THURSDAY 7 & FRIDAY 15 DECEMBER:

On the above two days, please can children **leave their bookbags at home**. We would



also ask any children having packed lunch on these days to **bring their food in a suitable bag** so they can dispose of it after lunch. This will ensure children don't have to carry these items to the village hall/church.





CLEARING THE CLOAKROOMS:

Please make sure the cloakroom is cleared of EVERYTHING by the end of term. This will enable the caretaker, Mr Allen, to give the

corridors a good clean during the Christmas break. Please also remember to collect any packed lunch boxes. Any lunch boxes remaining at the end of term will be disposed of.



HATS & COATS: Please can you ensure that children come to school with their hats, gloves & coats. Children will be outside during playtimes unless it is raining. It would also be helpful, and much easier for the children, if coats could

have quite a big loop to hang them up with and don't forget to ensure they are CLEARLY labelled!



PE DAYS : Don't forget, children should come to school on Fridays wearing the correct school PE kit. The rota for classes wearing PE uniform every other Thursday is

as follows:-

Evergreen & Red Maple : Thursday 7 December
Thursday 4 January

Blue Spruce & Acorns : Thursday 14 December
Thursday 11 January

MUSIC CLASSES :

Guitar: Tuesday mornings

Violin: Wednesday mornings

Keyboard: Friday mornings

Final sessions for Term 2 in week beginning 4 Dec

First sessions for Term 3 in week beginning 10 Jan

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



SPORTS CLUBS: Term 2

Archery: 3.30-4.15pm

Thursdays : Blue Spruce & Evergreen

Hockey : 3.30-4.15pm

Fridays : Red Maple

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MESSAGES
FROM THE BSA



CHRISTMAS FAIR: We still need more helpers for the Christmas Fair on Thursday 7 December at the Village Hall. Set up is from 10am. However, if you can only spare a couple of hours please just join us to man a stall from 1.00-3.30pm. Please let BSA or class

reps know if you can help. We really need your help! Thank you to those who have already signed up.



FESTIVE SOCIAL!

Please do come along to

Beckley Village Hall at 7pm on

Monday 11 December for a social!

Drinks, nibbles, music ... and you can make a festive decoration to take away!

£5.50 a ticket. Foliage and mulled wine supplied!

If you've not ordered tickets on your Christmas order form but want to come along, just email:

beckleyschoolbsa@gmail.com



Messages from the Local COMMUNITY

PANTOMIME COMING TO BECKLEYoh no it isn't, oh yes it is! For one night only on 21 December, Rye Players are bringing Robin Hood and the Babes in the Wood to Beckley village hall. Tickets are £10 adults, £5 children but are selling out fast! Please see Rye Players fb page for details on how to book or visit www.ryeplayers.com



Christmas Prayer

Dear Lord,

I pray that this Christmas is celebrated with a heart filled with peace and love.

Please take away all the bad feelings and emotions in people, and show them what Christmas is all about.

I also pray for the people who are having a hard time this Christmas. Please hug them and let them feel Your peace and love.

Amen



Term Dates 2023-2024		
Term	Start	End
2	Monday 30 October	Friday 15 December
3	Wednesday 3 Jan	Friday 9 February
4	Monday 19 February	Thursday 28 March
5	Monday 15 April	Friday 24 May
6	Mon 3 June	Friday 19 July

INSET DAYS : Tuesday 2 January
Monday 24 June
Monday 22 July
Tuesday 23 July

MAY BANK HOLIDAY : Monday 6 May