



# BECKLEY BULLETIN

## 13 February 2020

### February

Thursday 13 Blue Spruce Samba Workshop  
 Friday 14 Yellow Day for St Michael's Hospice  
 End of Term 3  
 Monday 24 First day of Term 4

### March

Thursday 5 World Book Day  
 Tuesday 17 Parent Evening  
 Wednesday 18 Parent Evening  
 Sunday 22 Mothering Sunday  
 Tuesday 24 Year 6: Safety in Action

### April

Wednesday 1 Easter Fayre  
 Thursday 2 Easter Service - 2pm Beckley Church

### ST MICHAEL'S HOSPICE: YELLOW DAY

Don't forget, on Friday 14 February the school will participate in 'Yellow Day'. The purpose is to raise funds for St Michael's Hospice. Children should wear their usual school uniform but may also wear something yellow. For example a yellow pair of socks/tights or perhaps swap the cardigan for a yellow one. Alternatively, just add something yellow like a hat, scarf or a ribbon in your hair! There will be collection boxes in the classrooms and all contributions would be very welcome.



**BUILDING WORK:** We have some major building work being carried out at the very start of Term 4, straight after the half-term break. The drainage outlets running from the school building underneath the lower playground are being re-routed, which involves the lower playground being dug up. As a result, the lower playground will be completely out of use. While the work is going ahead, drop-off and pick-up will be through the side gate where our recycling bins are kept. Please be very vigilant coming through this area, particularly if you have younger children with you. The work is expected to last for the first two weeks of term, so we appreciate your patience while it is taking place.



### CHRISTMAS WRITING COMPETITION:

The three Rotary Clubs involved would like to thank those children who entered the competition and for the tremendous effort that was put into all of the stories.

We had entries from children in Years 2, 3 and 4 with the best three stories from each year group submitted. There were 23 local schools participating this year and the judges had the pleasure of reading nearly 400 stories! Special 'Congratulations and Well Done' to

both Levent (Year 2) and Samuel (Year 4) who won prizes in their respective categories!

### JAPANESE DAY: *Arigatou*

to Ms Yuri Nagata, Mr Markson-Brown, Ms Kyoko and the Japanese students from Buckswood School who took time to spend a day with Evergreen, Red Maple and Acorn classes recently. The children had a wonderful time learning about Japanese culture, the art of origami, how to use chopsticks and speaking and writing Japanese. Evergreen also made sushi and discovered more about what it was like to go to school in Japan. The children learnt so much and had a really enjoyable time!

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### WORLD BOOK DAY: *Thursday 5 March* is

World Book Day. Children may come to school dressed as a book character; they should also bring the book the character is in. If children do not wish to dress up then full school uniform must be worn. Please also look out for the specially-produced £1 tokens which will be sent home in book bags on that day. Tokens are given to school children throughout the UK to encourage them to discover the delights of their local bookshop. Since 1998, over 14 million school children each year have received a token. Tokens are valid until 29 March 2020 and entitle children to one free £1 World Book Day book or £1 off a book or audio book worth £2.99 or more at all participating supermarkets or book shops.



### 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](http://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:** Friday mornings

**Guitar/Violin:** Monday afternoons

(No session on Monday 24 February)

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



### SCHOOL CLUBS: Term 4

**Archery Club:** 3.30-4.15pm

Tuesdays : Blue Spruce & Evergreen

**Gardening Club :** 3.30-4.15pm

Wednesdays : All Years (no session on 18 March)

**Invasion Games :** 3.30-4.15pm

Thursdays : Years 1 & 2

*Chair of Governors Email Address:  
chair@thegenesisfederation.co.uk*

## COMMUNITY News

**Amnesty!:** As many of you will be aware, Beckley Village hall is getting a new kitchen. Over the years various bits and pieces from the village hall kitchen may have accidentally found their way in to people's homes. If you have used a dish, tray or anything from the village hall kitchen to take home some left overs but have forgotten to return it, please do so. PLEASE DON'T FEEL EMBARRASSED! The village hall committee are happy for any bits you may find to be returned and left in the foyer ready to be used once more in the new kitchen when it opens in March.

**Beckley Parish Council meetings:** The next meeting is **Tuesday 3 MARCH**. Meetings are usually on the first Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm in the committee room of the village hall. There is currently a casual vacancy for one councillor and if anyone is keen to find out more please contact [clerk@beckleyparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@beckleyparishcouncil.org.uk)

**May Queen/King:** If you would like to be considered please write a short paragraph explaining why and include your name, age and address. Send to:  
[tina.langmead@beckleyparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:tina.langmead@beckleyparishcouncil.org.uk)

### THE WORLD'S FAMILY

O God,  
We remember those who have no house to call their home; give them shelter.  
We remember those who have no country to call their home; give them refuge.  
May we remember that we belong to the world's great family and find a way to help them, our brothers and sisters.

Amen



### Term Dates 2019-2020

Term	Start	End
3	Tuesday 7 January	Fri 14 February
4	Mon 24 February	Fri 3 April
5	Mon 20 April	Fri 22 May
6	Tues 2 June	Wed 22 July

INSET DAYS : Monday 1 June 2020  
Friday 3 July 2020

EARLY MAY BANK HOLIDAY : Friday 8 May 2020

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February 2020

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