



BECKLEY BULLETIN

6 November 2020

November

- Tuesday 10 Parent Consultation : Evergreen
- Thursday 12 Parent Consultation : Red Maple
- Friday 13 Children in Need Day : Spots!
Parent Consultation : Acorn/Blue Spruce
- Monday 16 Flu Immunisations
- Tuesday 17 Parent Consultation : Evergreen
- Thursday 19 Parent Consultation : Acorn/Blue Spruce
- Friday 20 Odd Sock Day!
Parent Consultation : Red Maple

December

- Wednesday 16 School Christmas Lunch
- Friday 18 Last day of Term 2

BEING GENEROUS! There are several really great causes we are committed to supporting over the next few weeks! Children in Need, Anti-Bullying Week and Advent Calendars for Mumbai represent a variety of different causes that the school are involved with and provide us with opportunities to think of others and support the work these organisations are doing. We are very aware that these are all happening close together and we are asking you to make several financial contributions all at once! However, we would urge you to consider the potential impact that the few pounds we might each give can have when we all pull together and be generous towards others.

CHILDREN IN NEED - FIVE TO THRIVE:

This year, the focus for Children in Need is 'Five to Thrive' - supporting children's wellbeing. There are a range of activities and resources linked to this that we will be using throughout the week and on **Friday 13th November**, we would like everyone to come to school donating £1 and wearing as many 'dotty' items of clothing as possible!



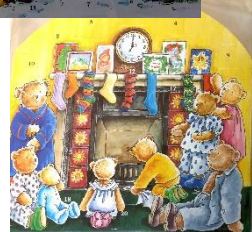
ANTI-BULLYING WEEK - ODD SOCK DAY:

November 16th-20th is National Anti-Bullying Week and we will be getting involved in various lessons and activities to help raise awareness about this issue. As



part of this, we will be joining in with over 13,000 other schools in the 'Odd Socks Day'

event. We would love all pupils and staff to donate £1 and come to school on **Friday 20th November** wearing odd socks - as bold, bright and odd as possible! The money we raise will go to the Anti-Bullying Alliance, who work to support individuals and schools on all sorts of anti-bullying issues.

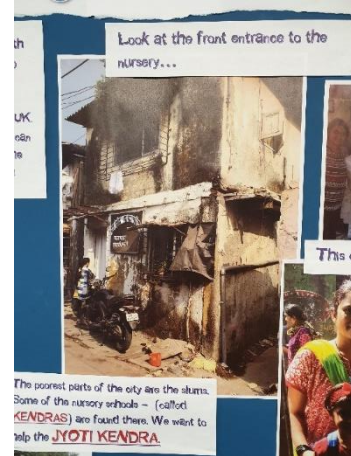


ADVENT CALENDARS FOR

MUMBAI: This year we would like to give each pupil a traditional advent calendar as a gift from the school.

Advent is a time for us to reflect and remind ourselves about the 'gift' of Jesus to the world and the events that led to His birth. It is a time for us to consider others less fortunate than ourselves.

With this in mind, the school will be making a donation to support a nursery in the largest slum area in Mumbai, India. We believe it is important for our pupils to develop their awareness and understanding of the wider world and in doing so, appreciate how much we have here and how we can help others in much less fortunate circumstances than our own. As you can see, there is a huge contrast between the frontage of the **Jyoti Kendra Nursery** and our own school!



So happy to be in school...

We will be giving the children their calendars on Monday 23 November. If you would like to make a donation to support the **Jyoti Kendra** nursery in Mumbai, we would be very grateful. There will be collections boxes in each

classroom on that day. We are hoping to raise £200 in donations - this would make a phenomenal impact to the nursery project. Let's use this upcoming season of advent to think particularly of others, and to really appreciate all that we have ourselves.

FLU VACCINATIONS:

Thank you for returning the consent forms. The vaccinations will take place at Beckley School on Monday morning, 16 November. Please be aware that if you decide to change your consent status, this should be done by writing a letter addressed to the Immunisation Team and returned to the school.



KEEPING WARM: Now that the weather is turning colder, please will you make sure that your child is coming to school with their school jumper or cardigan, and a coat (hoodies/track suit tops are not acceptable - other than the designated PE days). 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 their PE kit. We also have a rota for classes wearing PE uniform every other Thursday as follows:-

Blue Spruce & Acorns : Thursday 12 November
Thursday 26 November
Thursday 10 December

Evergreen & Red Maple : Thursday 19 November
Thursday 3 December
Thursday 17 December



NEW RECEPTION: Applications for children starting school in September next year should be made **by 15 January 2021** Applications can be made online. Please visit: eastsussex.gov.uk/schools

MUSIC CLASSES :

Violin: Monday mornings
Guitar: Friday afternoons
Keyboard: Friday mornings



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

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Term Dates 2020-2021		
Term	Start	End
2	Mon 2 Nov	Fri 18 Dec
3	Tues 5 Jan	Fri 12 Feb
4	Mon 22 Feb	Thurs 1 April
5	Mon 19 April	Fri 28 May
6	Tues 8 June	Fri 23 July
INSET DAYS : Monday 4 January Monday 7 June Monday 5 July		
EARLY MAY BANK HOLIDAY : Monday 3 May 2021		



*I'll wear a little poppy
As red as red can be
To show that I remember
Those who fought for me*