

21 October 2021



October

Friday 22 Harvest Festival Service
Last day of Term 1

November

Monday 1 First day of Term 2
Tuesday 16 Flu Nasal Spray Vaccinations

December

Saturday 4 Little Gate Farm Christmas Fayre
Tuesday 7 Year 6 : Heights & Weights
Reception: Height/Weights/Vision
Wednesday 15 School Christmas Lunch
Friday 17 Last day of Term 2

HARVEST SERVICE: Thank you for your harvest donations. They are very much appreciated.



Please may we also remind you that children should be collected at 3pm from the church on Friday. Tomorrow there will be no PE so children

should come to school in uniform; please also ensure they bring a coat. In order to avoid having too much to carry to the church, children can leave bookbags at home and those with packed lunches should bring them in a disposable container.



YEAR 6 CHILDREN: Please remember that for those children currently in Year 6, applications for secondary school must be made by 31 October 2021.

POPPY DISPLAY: As you are aware, we are once again creating a poppy display in time for Remembrance Day. This year our creations will be displayed at Beckley Church to combine with their events around Remembrance Day. Some children have already brought their artwork to school. We do hope as many children as possible will make a piece for the display. The poppy should be 2d, ie a drawing, painting, collage, photograph etc made from 'junk' material. 'Be creative!'



As in past years, we will also have a box of poppies, bracelets, snap rulers etc from the British Legion which children and parents can purchase before and after school. These can be purchased from Monday 1 November.

AUTHOR VISIT: The children were buzzing after the author, Thomas Taylor, visited Evergreen and Blue Spruce classes this week. He certainly inspired everyone with tales of how he came up with characters, the inspiration he got from finding items when beachcombing and turning a squiggle into a picture!

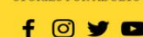


He said "*it was lovely to meet everyone at Beckley School. The children were especially fab — sparky and fun and full of questions.*"

16-24 October 2021

Hastings Storytelling Festival

STORIES FOR ADULTS & CHILDREN



FESTIVAL PATRON: SIR QUENTIN BLAKE

Don't forget, Acorns are currently making a model of the BFG to take to the Children's Parade on Sunday. Miss Bolton hopes as many of you as possible will come along to the Stade (Old Town, Hastings) on Sunday to join in the parade. If children would like to come dressed up in their world book day costumes that would be fabulous - but just being there, even better!! The Parade starts at 3.15pm but there are events going on from 12 noon.



FLU VACCINATIONS: Vaccinations will take place at Beckley School on **Tuesday, 16 November.** To those parents who have not already done so, please may I remind you to log into the NHS site and give consent (or not) for your child to receive the vaccine. Details of how to do this were included in the email sent to you on Monday, 27 September. Responses should be received at least 5 working days before the vaccination session; please therefore respond before **11am on 10 November.** Thank you.

DROP-OFF & PICK-UP AT SCHOOL: We have noticed a number of parents making three-point turns on the road outside school, at drop-off and pick-up times. We would like to remind everyone that this is very dangerous - we have had several accidents due to this in the past, so please do not turn your cars round in this way. Many thanks.



AFTER SCHOOL CLUB: As you will know, we are looking to start running an after school club to support parents with child care issues. We will be running this for a trial period, starting after Christmas through until the end of the school year.

We are currently recruiting for the post of After School Club Worker and will be holding interviews in the first week back after half-term. If you are interested in finding out and applying for this post, please look in the 'Vacancies' section on the school website for more details and an application form.

SCHOOL CLUBS: Term 2

Fencing Club: 3.30-4.15pm
Thursday : Blue Spruce & Evergreen
Hockey Club: 3.30-4.15pm
Friday : Years 1 & 2



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BREAKFAST CLUB: In order to help some parents, we have now made a slight change to the time when children can be dropped off. From the start of next term our times will be as follows:-

- Drop-Off : 7.45-8.00am
- Breakfast from : 8.00am
- Last food served at: 8.20am
- Go to classrooms at : 3.30am



We do still have places available for next term so if you would like to book your child in, please speak to the office.

NEW RECEPTION: Applications for children starting school in September next year should be made online **by 15 January 2022.**

Please visit: eastsussex.gov.uk/schools

Beckley School will be open for visits from potential new Reception parents at 9.30am, 11.30am and 1.45pm on the following days:

- Monday 8 November
 - Wednesday 10 November
 - Thursday 11 November
 - Friday 12 November (11.30am & 1.45pm only)
- Please call the office to make an appointment



PE DAYS: Don't forget, children should come to school on Fridays wearing the correct school PE kit (not tomorrow!). We also have a rota for classes wearing PE uniform every other Thursday as follows:-

- Blue Spruce & Acorns :** Thursday 4 November
- Evergreen & Red Maple :** Thursday 11 November

MUSIC CLASSES :

- Violin:** Monday mornings
- Guitar:** Tuesday mornings
- Keyboard:** Friday mornings



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

Messages from the local COMMUNITY

CHURCH JUMBLE SALE:

Saturday, 23 October from 10.30-12.30 at Beckley Village Hall. Please come along and join us.

Any pre-loved, unwanted bric-a-brac, clothing and other saleable items would be welcome. Please bring your items to the Village Hall on Friday afternoon, 22 October between 3-6pm.



*We plough the fields and scatter
The good seed on the land.
But it is fed and watered
By God's almighty hand.
He sends the snow in winter,
The warmth to swell the grain,
The breezes and the sunshine,
And soft refreshing rain.
All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above;
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
For all his love.*



Term Dates 2021 -2022		
Term	Start	End
1	Thurs 2 September	Fri 22 October
2	Mon 1 November	Fri 17 December
3	Wed 5 January	Fri 11 February
4	Mon 21 February	Fri 1 April
5	Tues 19 April	Thurs 26 May
6	Mon 6 June	Fri 22 July

INSET DAYS : Tuesday 4 January 2022
Friday 27 May 2022
Monday 4 July 2022

EARLY MAY BANK HOLIDAY : Monday 2 May 2022