



BECKLEY BULLETIN

8 October 2021

October

Monday 18 Last day to return Christmas Card artwork
 Friday 22 Harvest Festival Service
 Last day of Term 1

November

Tuesday 16 Flu Nasal Spray Vaccinations

December

Wednesday 15 School Christmas Lunch
 Friday 17 Last day of Term 2



TRAVELLING BOOKS: Many thanks to all the parents and children who supported our Book Fair. We raised over £640 which means we now have £325 to spend on books! Your support

is very much appreciated. A special thanks also to Willow and Freya for helping each day.

Well done to the children who participated in the 'Bunting' design! We had some wonderful entries but could choose only one winner in each class.

Congratulations go to:

- Evergreen : Arthur
- Blue Spruce : Lenark
- Red Maple : Rupert
- Acorns : Dylan
- Overall school winner : Darcie

Each winner has chosen a book for their class and all bunting will be displayed in the library.



'CAULIFLOWER' CHRISTMAS CARD FUNDRAISER:

The children have once again created a design for a Christmas card. Designs went home in bookbags yesterday. If you would like to place an order, please refer to the artwork form for further instructions. Orders and payment must be made online using the unique code located at the top of the form.



[Orders must be made online by Tuesday 19 October and artwork returned to school by Monday 18 October.](#)

Don't forget to tick the box on the form if you have placed an order.

It would be appreciated if all artwork could be returned to school regardless of whether an order is placed.



FLU VACCINATIONS: The NHS are once again offering the nasal spray flu vaccine to all primary school children. The vaccinations will take place at Beckley School on **Tuesday 16 November**. An email was sent to



you on Monday 27 September with details. We do ask that all parents respond to the email (regardless of whether or not you wish to give consent for your child to receive the vaccine). Responses should be received at least five working days before the vaccination session; please therefore respond before **11am on 10 November**.

HARVEST SERVICE & DONATIONS:

Our Harvest Service this year will take place on Friday 22 October at Beckley Church



although, sadly, we will not be having visitors at the service - just pupils and staff. **Children need to be collected directly from the church at 3:00pm (there will be no after school club).**

However, we are still very committed to making a significant contribution of food items to the church.

They will be dividing contributions between the Seaview Project, who feed the homeless in Hastings & St Leonards, and the Rye Foodbank.

We will start taking donations of tins, packets and fresh fruit and vegetables at school from Monday, 18th October. We are extremely grateful for the generosity our



families have shown over many years and we are confident that this year will be no exception.

Thank you in anticipation of your kindness.



Hello everybody

We are very lucky at Beckley to be one of the only non-Hastings based schools who participate in this fantastic event. We are privileged to have Thomas Taylor, author of the 'legends of Eerie-on-Sea' series of books, visiting Blue Spruce & Evergreen later this month. These books are said to have been inspired by Hastings and his first book, *Malamandar*, is soon to be made into a movie by Sony pictures!

During the week of the festival there are many free events for children and adults alike. Acorn class are hoping to make a model of the BFG that we can take to Children's Parade on Sunday 24th October. Everyone is welcome to join us on the day. Anyone who has been before will tell you how much fun it is!

A Festival booklet is being sent home in bookbags today. Please do look through the leaflet for more details of the events and see if you can spot anyone you know in the photos at the back! Hope to see you at the Stade. Regards, Alice Bolton, Acorn Class Teacher

Chair of Governors Email Address:
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Messages from the local COMMUNITY

DROP-OFF/PICK-UP: Beckley Pre-School have asked us to respectfully remind parents to either not turn around in the car park or, if you do, then to please come in slowly and use the car park at the back of the hall. They have recently had a couple of parents who have been turning round very close to the entrance as the pre-school parents are pulling in both at 9am and 3pm.



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

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

CHAIR AND COMMITTEE MEMBER FOR BECKLEY

PRESCHOOL: Beckley Pre-School are looking to appoint a new Chair of their Pre-School Committee. The pre-school is a vibrant and thriving group that runs out of Beckley Village Hall every day and many of the children who attend come through to join Beckley School in our reception class. If you are interested in finding out about this role (no obligation), please contact Jill Brain, the pre-school treasurer, on (01797) 721112 or 07977 842752.

CHURCH JUMBLE SALE:

Saturday, 23 October from 10.30am - 12.30pm 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.



*Thank you, dear God, for our harvest garden.
 Thank you for the seeds and the soil,
 for the sun and the rain,
 for the roots and the leaves and the ripening fruits.
 As you have blessed us with harvest gifts, dear God,
 May we bless others by sharing them.
 Amen*



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



Blue Spruce & Acorns: Thursday 14 October

Evergreen & Red Maple: Thursday 21 October

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.

SCHOOL CLUBS: Term 1

Tennis Club: 3.30-4.15pm

Thursday : Years 1 & 2

Ball & Bat Club: 3.30-4.15pm

Friday : Blue Spruce & Evergreen



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		