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Attendance Update – Terms 1 and 2

We are keen that every child attends school regularly and frequently. There is clear evidence that children with poor attendance tend to achieve less well. The table below shows the attendance for each year group, and for the whole school, from the start of the year until the end of Term 2.

Our school target is at least 96% attendance:

Nursery	87.0%
Reception (<i>Butterflies</i>)	92.7%
Year 1 (<i>Foxes and Squirrels</i>)	92.1%
Year 2 (<i>Badgers and Hedgehogs</i>)	93.4%
Year 3 (<i>Kangaroos and Koalas</i>)	94.3%
Year 4 (<i>Giraffes and Zebras</i>)	95.8%
Year 5 (<i>Leopards and Panthers</i>)	94.9%
Year 6 (<i>Eagles and Hawks</i>)	96.1%
Overall:	94.0%

Well done Year 6, who have had the best attendance so far and have beaten the target.

A Request from the Early Years

The children love junk modelling, and have been creating fantastic things out of 'junk' – egg boxes, cereal packets etc. If you can help us by giving us your unwanted cardboard (cereal packets, kitchen towel rolls, empty boxes) and plastic (fruit or vegetable boxes, plastic drinks bottles, etc), we would be very grateful. Please make sure anything which has been in contact with food is clean and empty, and if it is plastic, please wash it first. Thank you.



Junk modelling not only helps develop the children's creativity, it also helps their fine motor skills



Coming into School

A reminder that all parents and visitors must report to the school office if they come into school other than at the beginning or end of the day. Please do not go directly to your child's class, even to drop off a forgotten P.E. Kit or jumper. Late children (those who arrive after the gates are locked) must also be signed in at the office, not sent straight to class.

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FRIDAY 13th JANUARY 2017

Congratulations Marli!

Congratulations to Marli in Year 1. Her fantastic entry in the 'Design a Christmas Card' competition last term won her a prize (£100 of Amazon vouchers!), and a donation of £500 to the school, which will be used to support Art.

Miss Martin accompanied Marli to the offices of Rager and Roberts, the estate agents who ran the competition, to collect the prizes. There is also a report on this in this week's Eastbourne Herald.



Reception 2017

Remember, if your child is due to start Reception next September, you must fill in an application form by this Sunday, 15th January 2017. You can easily apply online, by going to www.eastsussex.gov.uk.

Even if you have an older child already in the school, or your child is already in our Nursery, you must still make a formal application. Failure to do so on time will mean that you may not be offered a place at the school.

Rewarding Good Attendance and Punctuality



In Fang's family Giraffes had the best attendance this week, while Hedgehogs were the most punctual class.



Hawks were the best attenders in Miss Lilac's family, and Leopards were the most punctual class.



Well done to all four classes!

House Points

Phoenix	83	points
Gryphon	75	points
Dragon	73	points
Unicorn	71	points
Centaur	70	points
Minotaur	60	points

Well done **Phoenix!**

Diary Dates

Make a note in your diary!

- Badgers Class Assembly
Tuesday 17th January at 9.00am
- Healthy Eating Workshop for Reception
Wednesday 18th January
- Foxes Class Assembly
Tuesday 24th January at 9.00am
- Coffee morning for EAL parents
Friday 27th January at 8.45am
- Hedgehogs Class Assembly
Tuesday 7th February at 9.00am
- Healthy Eating Workshops for Years 5 and 6
Wednesday 8th February

Fun Favourites Lunches

Next Thursday and Friday, our kitchen team are offering some of the children's favourite dishes, rather than the usual menu for that week:

Thursday:

Main Course: Fish Goujons with chips, peas and baked beans **OR**



Veggie Burger in a Bun with chips, peas and baked beans



For dessert: Jelly with fruit

Friday:

Main Course: Chinese Chicken Noodles with carrots and sweetcorn **OR**



Macaroni Cheese with carrots and sweetcorn



For dessert: Apple and Sultana Flapjack

The meals are free to all children in the infants, and to any children in the juniors who are registered as eligible for free school meals. For everyone else, the meal only costs a very reasonable **£2.10**

Job Opportunity at the School – Please Spread the Word!

We are looking to appoint a Midday Supervisor, to work from 12noon to 1.30pm, 5 days per week (7.5 hours per week). This job involves supervising the children throughout the lunch period, in the playground, dining hall or classrooms. Experience of working in schools in a similar role would be an advantage, and we are looking for a team worker who will help keep lunchtimes enjoyable and safe for the children.

A job description, pay details and application form are available from the school office. The closing date for the role is Friday 3rd February.

Bourne Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. All appointments are subject to a satisfactory enhanced safeguarding check.

FOBSA

The FOBSA Annual General Meeting is on Thursday 26th January at 2.00pm. Everyone is welcome. We are keen to be joined by someone with secretarial skills.

If it Snows

If it snows, we do everything we can to stay open. We only close the school on snow days for two reasons:

- If it would be dangerous for the children to attend school
- If too many members of staff (many of whom live far away or in places which do not have gritted roads) cannot travel because of the snow, which would mean that we couldn't offer adequate supervision.

If we do decide to close, we will let you know by text and email – please make sure we have your up-to-date contact details. If you are signed up and do not hear from us, please assume we are open.