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**MONDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2017**

## Rewarding Good Attendance and Punctuality



In Fang's family Panthers had the best attendance, while Eagles 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!

## Year 5 Sportshall Athletics

On Thursday, Miss Maillard and Mrs Loader took a group of Year 5 pupils to Hailsham Community College to take part in a multi-sports event, competing against other schools in a range of sports. The children had a great time, and enjoyed experiencing a number of new and different sports, including vertical jump, long jump and javelin relays.

As always, the children had a great time, and behaved extremely well.

## Applications for Nursery

Mrs Bannister is now dealing with applications for admission to Nursery in January. These places are open to any children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September and 31<sup>st</sup> December 2014. Please see Mrs Bannister if you would like to apply for a place.

## Parent Questionnaires



Our parent questionnaires will be sent home with every child this week. If you are a registered parent or carer of a pupil at the school, we are interested to know what you think is good about Bourne School,

as well as any ideas about what could be improved or changed – although obviously we can't do everything!

Please provide just one answer to each question; we would be pleased to receive separate questionnaires for each child if you have more than one at the school. We would like the questionnaires to be returned to school by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you!

## The Eastbourne Panto Challenge

Mrs Loader took a small group of children to the Town Hall to participate in this year's Eastbourne Panto Challenge. Working in pairs, the children had to design and build a rat trap to help Dick Whittington capture the rats which infest London in the story of this year's pantomime at the Devonshire Theatre.

Thirteen schools participated, each offering one or more pairs of children. Our pairs were Igor and Tola, and Chanelle and Kayden. Both teams did extremely well, and I was thrilled that Tola and Igor were awarded second place overall with a trap which was designed not to harm the rat, and from which the rat could go free without having to be touched!

Well done to all four children, who represented the school wonderfully, and thank you to Mrs Loader for organising our participation.



*Our fantastic Pantomime engineers!*

## Reception 2018

Remember, if your child is due to start Reception next September, please fill in an application form by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018. Paper forms are available from the school office, or you can easily apply online by going to [www.eastsussex.gov.uk](http://www.eastsussex.gov.uk) and filling out the form electronically.

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 and submit it by this deadline. Failure to do so on time will mean that you may not be offered a place at the school.

## House Points for this Week

<b>Gryphon</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>points</b>
<b>Unicorn</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>points</b>
<b>Centaur</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>points</b>
<b>Minotaur</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>points</b>
<b>Dragon</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>points</b>
<b>Phoenix</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>points</b>

Well done **Gryphon!**

## Diary Dates

- FOBSA Christmas Fair  
*Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December*
- Christmas Dinner  
*Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December*
- Year 2 Nativity to their parents  
*Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 2.00pm*
- Infant Pantomime Trip  
*Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December*
- End of Term 2 – school ends at the usual time  
*Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December*
- Christmas holiday – school closed  
*Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> January*
- Staff Training Day – school closed  
*Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January*
- Staff Training Day – school closed  
*Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January*
- First day of Term 3  
*Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January – school starts at 8.45am*
- Hedgehogs Class Assembly  
*Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January at 9am*
- Foxes Class Assembly  
*Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January at 9am*
- Badgers Class Assembly  
*Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January at 9am*

## Christmas Post

Don't forget that our school post boxes will be open from tomorrow, Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December. The post box will be in the foyer by the office. Children should post their Christmas cards there, and they will be sent on to the classes every few days. We have asked teachers not to distribute cards, or let children distribute their own cards, until the end of the school day.

If you are planning to send in cards, please make sure they have the recipient's class or teacher's name as well as the child's name written on the outside. Our teams of Christmas elves will sort and deliver much more quickly if you do this. Thank you.



## Earrings

It is very usual for both boys and girls to have at least one of their ears pierced. If your child wears earrings, we insist that they are small plain studs (no diamonds, etc). This is a requirement of the school, and is clearly stated in our uniform expectations. Thank you

# FOBSA

# CHRISTMAS FAIR THIS FRIDAY

Come along and enjoy festive treats, as well as browsing the fantastic stalls for presents, gifts and stocking fillers.

We look forward to seeing you there!



## Christmas Party details

The Christmas party dates are:

- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December: Nursery and Reception Party
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December: Year 1 and Year 2 Party
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December: Year 3 and Year 4 Party
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December: Year 5 and Year 6 Party



In Nursery and Reception, the children can come to school in their party clothes and wear them all day.

For all other year groups, the children must come to school in their school uniform, and bring an outfit to change into, in a strong carrier bag. They will be allowed to go home in their party clothes, and will have to take their uniform home in the bag.