

# Bosham Primary School

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1<sup>st</sup> October, 2021

Dear parents / carers,

I cannot believe how quickly this term is going. It is incredible that today is the 1<sup>st</sup> October. There were many children keen to pinch and punch me on the gate this morning; luckily I evaded most of them!

## **Meet the author**

A reminder that an exciting event is taking place next Tuesday and Wednesday. Thank you to all of you who have made a voluntary contribution. There is still time to do this if you wish to.

## **Harvest**

We are excited to announce that this year we are holding a school Harvest Celebration, on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October**, at Holy Trinity Church, Bosham. This year, we will hold it as a staff and pupil event but in future years we hope to invite you and the rest of the community to celebrate with us.

Each class has been working hard preparing something to present and a song to sing. During the service we would love the children to share donations of food items for us to send to the Chichester Food Bank. The Food Bank in Chichester has been established for a number of years now but is currently facing unprecedented demand due to people's changing circumstances because of the pandemic.

Requests from the Foodbank include tins of:

- Custard
- Fish
- Fruit
- Meat
- Potatoes
- Rice Pudding
- Soup
- Vegetables

A more detailed letter will be sent out next week.

## **Young Governor**

Next week we will begin the process of finding the Young Governors of Bosham Primary School. If your child is keen to apply for this role please support them with their application.

## **Photos**

These will be taking place on **8<sup>th</sup> October**. Unfortunately the company has again advised us that they will not be taking sibling photographs; only individual ones.

## **Class/ year group emails**

As a school we receive an inordinate amount of emails, not only from parents, some of these are important and some are not. In order for your emails to reach your child's teacher in a timely manner, our IT accounts manager has set up emails for you to make communication easier. To manage work load, teachers are not expected to respond to emails outside of their normal working day / week but will endeavour to respond to all queries or questions as soon as possible, ideally with 24 hours of a normal school week.

From today if you wish to contact your child's teacher please use the following email addresses:

Mrs Prior and Mrs White: [EYFS@boshamprimary.co.uk](mailto:EYFS@boshamprimary.co.uk)

Mrs Smith: [year1@boshamprimary.co.uk](mailto:year1@boshamprimary.co.uk)

Mrs Maloney: [year2@boshamprimary.co.uk](mailto:year2@boshamprimary.co.uk)

Mrs Earnshaw: [year3@boshamprimary.co.uk](mailto:year3@boshamprimary.co.uk)

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Mrs Mowbray / Mrs Roe: [year6@boshamprimary.co.uk](mailto:year6@boshamprimary.co.uk)

If your message is urgent, please contact Mrs Walster in the school office.

## **Census day**

**October 7<sup>th</sup>** is Census day. Once again we will be encouraging all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to try a hot school lunch on that day. If your child usually has packed lunch, please send it in. Although census day lunch is always something enjoyable, we only expect children to give it a try if they usually have packed lunch.

## **Flu vaccinations**

As per our earlier parent mail, these will take place on **18<sup>th</sup> November**.

## **Parents Evenings**

We will be holding parents consultation meetings after school on **19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> October**. Extended parents' consultations for parents of children with extra needs will take place (by invitation) on **4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> November**. Details of arrangements will be sent at a later date.

## **PE**

Many parents are asking about PE arrangements. Whilst children have a timetabled swimming session, they will have one other school based PE session. This may either be an outdoor games session or an indoor gymnastics session. When the swimming sessions finish, children will have two school based sessions: one indoor and one out door. Next Thursday years 1,2,4 and 6 will have an opportunity to experience archery with an experienced, qualified coach.

## **New entrants**

Any parents with siblings starting school in September 2022 are reminded that the application process for school places opens on **4<sup>th</sup> October, 2021**. Further details can be found on [www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions). The closing date for applications is **15<sup>th</sup> January, 2022**.

## **Chimney**

During the half term holiday, the old kitchen chimney is being removed. I have been assured that this should not cause disruption to those of you who live very near the school and anyone who lives in the immediate vicinity will be receiving a letter from the contractors.

## **Library areas**

We are looking to re invigorate our reading areas and make them more inviting to our younger readers. If you have any cushion that you no longer use, we would be grateful if you would send them into school. They can be any shape or size but we do ask that they are clean and in good repair.

## **Letters going home**

Next week we will be sending home our annual consent form and a new data collection sheet. Please lookout for these in your child's book bag.

I wish you all an enjoyable weekend,

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'J Wattam', is written on a white rectangular background. The signature is cursive and includes a small flourish at the end.

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