

A MESSAGE FROM MRS FITCH AND MRS STACEY

As this will be our last newsletter of the term we would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support over the Autumn term. What a super term it has been! We have had events to share together as a community, class assemblies, trips and visitors, plays, concerts as well as the enriched learning staff provide for the children each and every day. We look forward to the many exciting lessons/activities staff have planned for 2025. Please remember that school closes at **1:10pm on Friday, 20 December 2024**. Grovers will, of course, be open for children until **4:00pm** on the 20th.

COMMUNITY TEA PARTY - A wonderful afternoon was had by our guests on Tuesday. Thank you to everyone who provided food and drink on the day - it really did make for a scrumptious afternoon tea which our guests enjoyed immensely. Special thanks to Amreen, Becky, Ian, Paula, Rachel, Sabine and Shaz who, along with our Year 6 helpers made sure our guests received first class service. In the words of one of our guests - *"It was so nice to see the children in action, entertaining us with songs, serving us at the table and generally conducting themselves in such a courteous and friendly manner. I had an enjoyable, care-free time and for one moment, almost looked forward to Christmas!"*

KEY STAGE 2 CAROL SERVICE - A huge thank you to Rev Woodward for leading our Carol Services this week. For those of you who were able to join us, we hope you enjoyed it as much as the children and staff did. Thank you also to everyone who helped walk the children back to school.

In closing, we would like to take this opportunity to wish all our Boxgrove families an enjoyable and restful time over the Festive period. School re-opens on **Monday, 6 January 2025** for all pupils.



WHAT WE HAVE BEEN UP TO THIS WEEK

YEAR 1 - This week the children have been sharing the story of How Does Santa Go Down the Chimney? (Mac Barnett). The children came up with some great ideas of their own and enjoyed putting actions to the words. If you haven't read this story it's a great one to share at this time of year.

YEAR 3 - Can living next to a Volcano bring you benefits? Year 3 have been learning all about the many benefits i.e., geothermal energy, fertile soil, tourism and diamonds(!) to name just a few. The children have also been learning how to Code and have enjoyed creating their own games.

YEAR 5 - The children have been sharing positive thoughts with each other and created 'Kindness Clouds'. This is linked to their PSHE lessons on choosing respect and showing kindness to those around us. Please do ask your child about the comments they received.



SOMETHING TO CELEBRATE

Huge congratulations to Nada, Year 5 who this week found out that she has made it through to the first round of the BBC's 500 Words Competition. Her story was chosen out of thousands submitted. Fingers crossed for the next round Nada.



It was another great weekend for swimming for Ethan, and Finley, both Year 6. Ethan is now the number one in the UK for both the 800m and 1500m freestyle, swimming the 1500m free style (which is 60 lengths) in an amazing 20:55:97. We can't wait to hear how you get on in the Surrey County championships. Finley meanwhile was competing to go at another gala and came away with 8 golds, 1 silver and 7 County times. WOW Ethan and Finley you should both feel super proud of your achievements.



THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Cafe B Uniform shop
Thursday	
Friday	NO UNIFORM SHOP

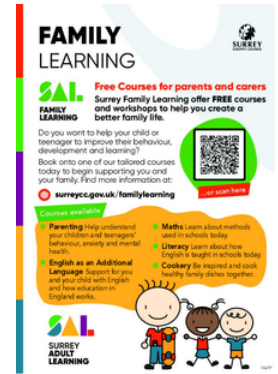
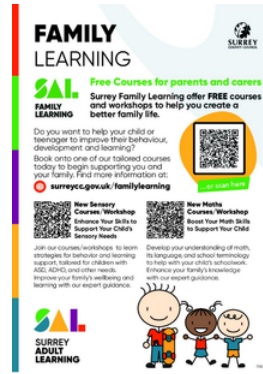


COMMUNITY

FAMILY LEARNING COURSES - New parenting courses for 2025.

Parents can enrol with a click of a button [HERE](#). Book before Christmas to avoid disappointment!

- **Understanding Neurodivergence/ADHD, Autism and others**
- **Mental Health and Emotional Well-being**
- **Reducing Conflict at Home**
- **Social Skills and Relationships**
- **Early Childhood Development**
- **Promoting Education**
- **ESOL-Specific Courses**
- **Life Skills and Routines**
- **Nutrition and Healthy Eating**
- **Literacy and Communication**
- **Special Courses for Hongkongers BN(0)**



FREEMANTLES - We wanted to let you know that Christmas resources are now up on their website, including visual count-downs and tips for home and school. For more information, please [click here](#) for more information.



BPTA

Our heartfelt gratitude goes out to all parents, carers, teachers, school staff and volunteers who have generously dedicate their time and energy this year to supporting the BPTA. Your contributions help make the school a vibrant and rewarding community.



The BPTA plays a vital role in supporting the school by organising events, fundraising initiatives, and community activities. Funds raised are then thoughtfully allocated to enable the school to acquire equipment and educational resources that enhance the learning experience and overall enjoyment for all the children attending Boxgrove.

We look forward to your continued support as we work together to make the school experience even more enriching for our children. Every contribution, no matter how big or small, makes a meaningful impact, and together, we can achieve even greater things for our children and school community in 2025.

Join us at our next PTA social evening on **Tuesday, 28 January 2025 at 7:30pm** to find out more. Until then, we wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Boxgrove PTA Committee

Joshua Andresen: Co-Chair; Niels Brouwer: Co-Chair; Fleur Krekel: Treasurer; Pareesha Santos: Secretary; Claire Haslett; Event Coordinator; Nicholl Grove; Event Coordinator; Nick Griffiths: Media Secretary.

BPTA Event Dates for Your Diary!

- 21 & 22 January 2025 - School Disco
- 7 February 2025 - Painting & Prosecco
- 3 & 4 March 2025 - Sponsored Pancake Flip
- 22 March 2025 - Quiz Night
- 21 June 2025 - Summer Fair
- 11 July 2025 - Summer Family BBQ

PTA Events - Register Now! - We use the PTA Events website throughout the year to simplify ticketing and payments for our events, auctions, and raffles. To purchase tickets, merchandise, or even make a donation to the PTA, you'll need to create an account. Simply visit www.pta-events.co.uk/bpta and click on "Register" to get started.

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YEAR GROUP INFORMATION

Below you will find all the latest events, information and letters from each year group for this week:

- All the letters are available on our school's website www.boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk
- The links highlighted below will take you straight to the location where you can view, download and print the letters that are relevant to your child's year group
- Please be advised that all letters are available under the Parent tab, Parent Hub in the event you are unable to open the link.

Year group Activity / news /trips

Reception	Our plans for the week - click here
Year 1	Our plans for the week - click here
Year 2	Our plans for the week - click here
Year 3	Our plans for the week - click here
Year 4	Our plans for the week - click here
Year 5	Our plans for the week - click here
Year 6	Our plans for the week - click here
Whole School	<p>JOB OPPORTUNITY - We are looking for lunchtime supervisors for KS1: 11:30am - 1pm every day and for KS2: 11:30am -1:15pm Mondays and Fridays only.</p> <p>LUNCHES - Don't forget to book lunches for next week. We also thought you might want to see what Elf on the Shelf has been up to in the Kitchen this week!</p> <p>UNIFORM SHOP - The shop will be open on Wednesday next week but will not be open on Friday.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">    </div>

SPRING TERM CLUB TIMETABLES

Attached is the club list for the Spring Term, please make note of the start date and end date of Teacher led clubs. The location of each club is stated in the timetable and pick up is 4:15pm unless stated otherwise. Sign up for clubs will open Monday 6 January 2025 at 4pm and close Wednesday 8 January 2025 at 12pm. Booking links will be sent out at the beginning of term.

The timetable is a grid with columns for 'BEFORE SCHOOL', 'LUNCHTIME', and 'AFTER SCHOOL'. Rows represent different year groups from Reception to Year 6. Each cell in the grid contains details for a specific club, including the club name, location, start and end times, and a booking link. The clubs are color-coded by year group: Reception (blue), Year 1 (orange), Year 2 (green), Year 3 (yellow), Year 4 (purple), Year 5 (pink), and Year 6 (grey).



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

IF DATES ARE IN **RED** THEY ARE NEW DATES. IF DATES ARE IN **BLUE** THEY ARE AMENDED DATES.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - ACADEMIC YEAR 2024 - 2025	
20 December	School closes at 1.10pm for Christmas holidays
6 January	School re-opens for children
21 - 22 January	PTA School Disco
22 January	5M Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
27, 28 & 30 January	Year 3 Feet First Road Safety Training
5 February	6K Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
6 February	Year 3 Woking Mosque visit
7 February	BPTA Painting and Prosecco
12 February	1B Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
17 Feb - 21 Feb	Half term
4 March	Sponsored Pancake Flip
5-6 March	Parents' Consultations
10 - 17 March	Year 4 - Level 1 Bikeability
12 March	2W Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
20 March	4CH Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
22 March	Quiz Night
26 March	5CB Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
2 April	6H Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
4 April	School closes at 1.10pm for Easter Holidays
22 April	School re-opens for children



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23 - 25 April	Year 4 Henley Fort Residential
30 April	5E Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
7 May	3L Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
12 - 16 May	Year 5 Ironbridge Residential
12 - 15 May	Year 6 End of Key Stage 2 SATs week
14 May	1LP Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
26 May - 30 May	Half Term
2 June	School re-opens for children
5 June	4A Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
11 June	2S Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
12 June	2T Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
10 - 13 June	Year 6 Ross-on-Wye Residential
18 June	1S Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
21 June	BPTS Summer fair
25 June	6W Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
2 July	3A Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
11 July	BPTA Family BBQ
16 July	Meet the teacher 3:30pm - 5pm
18 July	School closes at 1:10pm for Summer Holidays
21 - 22 July	Inset days



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - ACADEMIC YEAR 2025 - 2026

2 September	Inset Day
3 September	Inset Day
4 September	School Re-opens for Pupils in Years 1 - 6 (Reception will be a staggered start)