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Newsletter - November 2014

Dear Parents and Carers,

World War I Exhibition at St Barnabas Church – 6th November Onwards

Year 5/6 and Writing Club have contributed to the WWI display in St Barnabas Church. The display is open to the public from 6th November if you would like to see the work produced.

Year 3 Class Assembly – Tuesday 11th November

On Tuesday 11th November parents/carers of Year 3 are invited into school at 9am to watch their class assembly. The title of the assembly is 'Rocks Rock!' We look forward to seeing you there.

<u>Letters and Sounds Reception Parents' Workshop – 9am Wednesday 12th November</u>

We recently offered a parent workshop to help support reading at home. The Letters and Sounds workshop compliments this as it demonstrates how children build up words to begin the process of reading. This is aimed at Reception parents but if you feel a refresher would help we look forward to seeing you.

Children in Need – Friday 14th November

This year the theme of Children in Need is 'super heroes' so if your child would like to support this charity they can dress up for the day as a superhero. Donations are welcomed.

<u>Friends of Bournmoor Christmas Fayre – Thursday 20th November</u>

You are invited along to the Christmas Fayre on Thursday 20th November. There will be stalls and games at this annual event. Further information will follow.

Parent's Evenings - 1st and 2nd December

Just a reminder that this term Parent's Evenings are on Monday 1^{st} December and Tuesday 2^{nd} December. Letters will be sent out soon so if you don't receive yours please phone our school office to organise this. Our appointment times are given out in advance so you can turn up just beforehand to reduce your waiting time.

<u>Parent Governor Vacancy – Closing date 5th December</u>

We have a vacancy for a parent governor in school. If you would like more information about what this involves, or would like to apply, please contact the school office or speak to Mrs Snowdon.

Lunch Time Changes from Monday 10th November



We are introducing a new lunch time system for children on school dinners which most schools in the local area use. Instead of ordering in advance, children will be given choices on the day. Taylor Shaw, our caterers, will continue to provide the meals that Mrs

Hindmarch cooks. We hope pupils enjoy the new system.

Collection of Junior Pupils



From Monday 3rd November all Junior pupils (with the exception of Year 6) need to be collected by an adult. This issue was discussed by governors and it was felt agreed that these safeguarding measures were needed to ensure all pupils get home safely.

Buddies **

Many thanks to our excellent Buddies who have undertaken their role so well in the first half term. New Buddies will be voted for soon in each class.

Christmas Events – Dates for Your Diary



There are some dates to put in your diary for Christmas. The first is our Christmas meal for families to come along to on Wednesday 10th December (Infants and older Junior siblings) or Thursday 11th December (Juniors). The cut off date for this is Monday 1st December and a letter with more details will follow. Secondly the Christingle Service at St Barnabas also on 10th December at 2pm and the Carol Service at St Barnabas on Sunday 14th December at 6pm where our choir will be singing. In addition we are paying for pupils to have a pantomime in school as a treat Friday 5th December at 9.30am. Finally we will have a party day at the end of term where pupils will have games and fun activities to reward all their hard work.

Finally a Thank You



Many thanks for all the of the food and goods sent in for the Durham Foodbank and soldiers/dogs in Afghanistan. The last day for donations is Friday 7th November. Your kindness is greatly appreciated and the response has been fantastic.

JUST A REMINDER THAT SCHOOL IS CLOSED ON FRIDAY 28th NOVEMBER FOR STAFF TRAINING

Yours sincerely, Mrs L A Snowdon, Headteacher