



# Burley Primary School

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Dear Parents,

As 'Europe' once put it, we are in the 'Final Countdown' with only 11 days to go until Christmas! Below are a few important reminders of 'what's on' this week, and during the beginning of next term, at BPS.

## Key Stage 2 Performance Tables

I am very proud to be able to announce that our school is the highest attaining school in the New Forest district according to this year's Government published performance tables and the 6<sup>th</sup> highest attaining school in the whole of Hampshire (out of approximately 430 Primary Schools). My warmest thanks go to our children and staff for their continued hard work and commitment

## Christmas Dinner

A reminder that this year's Christmas dinner will be tomorrow - Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December. The children will be able to choose between Turkey with sausage and gravy or Vegetarian roast with vegetarian sausage and gravy. Both meals will be served with roast potatoes, peas, carrots and parsnips with chocolate ice-cream for pudding.

In order to add to the festive feel of the meal, the children can bring in a Christmas 'hat' or equivalent to wear during the meal if they would like to. Many thanks once again to the BPSA who will be providing 'crackers' for everybody to enjoy.

## Kestrels Listen2Me Concert

Kestrel's Ukulele extravaganza will take place on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December from 1.15 – 1.45pm. All welcome.

## Arrangements for the Last day of Term (Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December)

School will be finishing, as usual, at 3.15pm on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December. We are aware that a number of parents would like to collect their children early in order to begin journeys to visit family. As a result, any parents wishing to collect their children at 1.15pm will be able to do so. If this is the case, please inform your child's class teacher so that they can ensure the children are ready for collection. Please remember to let the office know if your child will be collected by someone different to normal.

## Christmas Service

This year's Christmas Service will take place in the Church on **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am**. As I'm sure many of you will already know, very sadly, Rev. Angie is currently in Hospital and will consequently be unable to attend. Mrs Pat Simpson has kindly agreed to step in. I'm sure you will join the staff and children in wishing Rev Angie a speedy recovery.

## Easyfundraising

In the run up to Christmas, please remember '**Easy Fundraising**' for all your online purchases. If you have not already registered please visit [www.easyfundraising.co.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.co.uk) and enter our school's name.

## Clubs for the Spring Term

A reminder that the following clubs will run after Christmas:

Day	Before School	After School
Monday	Fencing 8:00am – 8:45am	KS2 ICT Club 3.15pm – 4.15pm
Tuesday	Karate 7.45am – 8.45am	KS1 Art Club 3.15pm – 4.15pm
Wednesday		Cookery Club 3.15pm – 5.30pm
Thursday		

Friday		Key Stage 2 Football 3.15pm – 4.15pm
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All clubs, except Key Stage 2 Football (**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> January**) will start during week beginning **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January**. Please note that Cookery Club will finish at **5.30pm**. 'Sign up' letters will be sent home tomorrow for return by **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January** at the latest.

**Key Stage 1 Multi-skills** – As you will be aware, I have been in discussion with our club providers regarding provision for Year R, 1 and 2. The good news is that ACE Sport have confirmed that they are able to provide a multi-skills club for this age group on a Wednesday, which was the preferred choice of parents from our questionnaire earlier in the term. Unfortunately, the club will not be able to start until after February half term. We will send out 'sign up' information after half term.

#### **E-Safety Session for Parents**

SAVE THE DATE – We have invited an Educational IT expert in to school to host an e-safety presentation for parents on **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> January** from **6pm to 7pm**. The purpose of the evening is to discuss some of the on-line challenges facing modern children and to suggest strategies for helping to keep them safe online. More information will follow after the Christmas holidays

#### **Dates for your diary....**

Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Children's Christmas Dinner
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Listen 2 Me Concert Yr 3 & 4 1.15-1.45pm
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Service in the Church 9:30am
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>Spring Term Begins</b>
<b>NOTE: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January is an INSET Day</b>	
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> January	E-Safety Presentation for Parents

Warmest Regards,

Dan Twyman  
Headteacher