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NEWSLETTER ISSUE 4 – AUTUMN TERM

A HUGE THANK YOU TO OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY

Party on the Pitch

Firstly, a huge thank you to the “Party on the Pitch” committee who raised £1000 for our school, in what proved to be a highly enjoyable and successful event!

Burley Players

Secondly, another huge thank you to “Burley Players” for raising over £400 in a raffle at their production.

BPSA

A further thank you to the volunteers of Burley Primary School Association, for the Halloween Movie night which proved extremely popular. The children had a lovely time watching the movie, popcorn and Halloween craft. Thank you BPSA for your continued support in giving up your time for our school.

‘Keep the Home Fires Burning’

On Saturday 10th November, there will be a commemoration of Burley and the 1914-18 War, using poetry, art, drama and music at Burley Parish Church. Some of our children will be participating in the commemoration and we would love to see you there. The times are 5pm and 7.30pm. Free tickets are available from Shappen Stores.

Remembrance Services

The Burley Village Remembrance Service and wreath laying to commemorating the 100th anniversary of the end of World War 1 will take place on Sunday 11th November 2018 at the Burley War Memorial Cross. During the placing of the wreaths, the village bell is to be tolled 26 times and some children from Burley School have been asked to place 26 small wooden crosses in remembrance of the 26 men from Burley village who gave their lives for us in World War 1. A letter with details of this event will follow shortly.

Wagtails

Wagtails Class have had an amazing start to the school year and have settled into school life really well. We have been busy thinking about the topic 'All About Me' and have shared with the class all about our families. We have painted self- portraits and created face pictures using natural materials. Wagtails have enjoyed exploring our outdoor environment.

We have many dinosaur enthusiasts who have been searching for dinosaur bones in our new digging area.

Last half term Wagtails also enjoyed taking part in a Circus workshop where they showed great listening skills to follow the instructions of the Circus Ringmaster!

This half term we are going to start off thinking about bonfire night and fireworks.

Later on in the term we will be having a 'Time To Shine' day where we will think about how we can help ourselves to be seen in the dark. Also, Wagtails will of course be busy practising for our Christmas play.

FINAL COLLECTION FRIDAY 2nd NOVEMBER 2018



New Forest Rotary Club

Registered Charity No 1112989

How to make up your Rotary Christmas Shoebox for the Honeypot Children's Charity

Please cover the shoebox & top separately, ideally with
Christmas wrapping paper.

Place items in box, and use an elastic band to secure.

Mark box with a "B" for Boy or "G" for Girl

If you wish, include a *Christmas Card*

Each box will be opened by Honeypot before giving to a child
Age Range 7 to 9 years.

Contents suggested by Honeypot:

*Toys, books, puzzles / games, stationery / jotters, pencils, crayons,
clothing, hat / gloves, toiletries, sweets / chocolates, jewellery,
balls, arts & crafts, and Lego / Meccano type items, etc.*

NB Please NO guns, knives, money, violence or pin and needle items

Let's try to do even better than last year!!

**If you are unable to fill a box, just send in your
contribution and we can make some up in school!**

Keep the Home Fires Burning



A Commemoration of Burley and the 1914-18 War

using poetry, art, drama and music

Saturday 10th November

5pm & 7.30 pm

Burley Parish Church

'Free' tickets from Shappen Stores

(retiring collection)

ATTENDANCE & ABSENCE

Schools are only able to authorise absence from school in exceptional circumstances. In making a request for an authorised absence from school you will need to explain why the circumstances are exceptional. **Please note:** There is no general right to authorise absence for a family holiday. If you take your child out of school without permission the absence will be unauthorised and we will consider legal action.



EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS –

Every single day a child is absent from school equates to a day of lost learning.

Attendance percentages can be misleading.

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| 100% Attendance | 0 Days Missed | Excellent |
| 95% Attendance | 9 Days of Absence 1 Week and 4 Days of Learning Missed | Satisfactory |
| 90% Attendance | 19 Days of Absence 3 Weeks and 4 Days of Learning Missed | Poor |
| 85% Attendance | 28 Days of Absence 5 Weeks and 3 Days of Learning Missed | Very Poor |
| 80% Attendance | 38 Days of Absence 7 Weeks and 3 Days of Learning Missed | Unacceptable |
| 75% Attendance | 46 Days of Absence 9 Weeks and 1 Day of Learning Missed | Unacceptable |

For some parents, 90% may seem like an acceptable level of attendance, but the reality is that 90% attendance means that your child will miss half a school day each week or 19 days of school during the school year – that's nearly 4 school weeks.

A leave of absence form serves as a Penalty Notice Warning letter to parents/carers.

Any unauthorised absence may be subject to a penalty notice for non-attendance being issued.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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| Friday 2 nd November | Mufti Day in exchange for a sweetie jar |
| Friday 2 nd November | Shoe Boxes being collected by Rotary Club |
| Monday 5 th November | Author David Fuller visiting Kestrels and Woodpeckers |
| Tuesday 6 th November | AGM for BPSA |
| Thursday 15 th November | SATS Meetings for Parents (2.30 for Year 2 parents, 3.20 for Year 6 parents) |
| Friday 16 th November | Wreath making in the village hall (see BPSA for further details) |
| Friday 23 rd November | Mufti Day in exchange for hamper items |
| Friday 23 rd November | 'Bags 2 School' collection day |
| Monday 26 th - Friday 30 th November | Years 5 and 6 Residential trip to 'Mill on the Brue' |
| Wednesday 28 th November | 'Snowflake Making' with the BPSA |
| Friday 30 th November | Burley School Christmas Fayre in the Village Hall from 5.00pm – 7.30 p.m |
| Monday 3 rd December | Scholastic Book Fayre within School – details to follow |

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| Wednesday 12 th December | Years R, 1 and 2 Nativity (a.m) in the school hall |
| Thursday 13 th December | Years R, 1 and 2 Nativity (a.m) in the school hall |
| Friday 14 th December | Christmas Jumper Day and School Christmas Dinner |
| Monday 17 th December | Kestrels and Woodpecker Carol Concert – 06.30 p.m in the school hall |
| Friday 21 st December | Christmas Church Service (provisional booking – details to follow) |
| Friday 21 st December | Finish for Christmas at 3.15 p.m. |