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14th November 2014

We will remember them

This year's Remembrance Day was a special one for two reasons. The first is it is 100 years since the start of the 1st World War, the second reason being the fact that this is the last year we will have the Garrison in Bordon. The children throughout the school marked this special commemoration by dressing up in Red, White and Blue for the day. It was also lovely to see those children who go to Rainbows and Beavers looking very smart in their uniforms. The children also had a special assembly looking at the meaning of the poppies and why we have Remembrance Day. Then at 11:00am the children observed the 2 minutes silence in class.

For Year 2 there was a real learning focus to the day as well. Their topic this half term is all about remembrance and the 1st World War. They have also been learning about what it was like for a soldier in the 1st World War. As part of the topic four children accompanied Miss Cross to the Remembrance Day service at the war memorial despite the pouring rain! They joined in with several local schools in placing remembrance crosses for four individual soldiers who gave their lives in the war. It was a very special experience and we were very proud of the children involved. Sadly this will be the last service where the army will be stationed in Bordon and we wish them well with their move to Lynham in 2015.



Upcoming

events

17th November Year 1 Dress Up as a Bear Day Year 2 Tank Making

18th November 9.00-10.00am Year R - Come and see one of our Read Write Inc lessons

21st November 9.10am **Tiger Class Assembly**

25th November Pantomime – Dick Whittington

28th November **Elephant Class Assembly**

5th December Year 2 Christingle Service at St Marks Church

12th December **Christmas Dinner** FoBS Christmas Fair 5-7.30pm

16th December 9.30am and 2pm Year 1 and 2 Christmas

17th December 9.30am Year R Christmas play

19th December - Last day of term Tuesday 6th January 2015 - start of term



Mad Science Club

We apologise about the session of Mad Science cancelled this week. The Mad Science team have promised to extend the club for an extra week to compensate for this cancellation. If this causes any problems please contact the school

Stars of the week

6th November

Janine De Guzman Haydan Tarrant-Browne Maya Wernecka Daniel French 13th November Immy Glaysher Callum Caves Lawson Catt Scarlett Jones Year R would like to thank all the parents for their support in leaving their children at the door since half term. We are very proud of how far the children have come in a short space of time as they get used to the routines of school.

Year R and Year 3 School Places

You are now able to apply for places in Year R and Year 3 for September 2015. All Year 2 children in the school will need to apply for a place in the Junior school, transfer is not automatic.

To apply for a school place you can go to <u>https://onlineadmissions.hants.gov.uk/</u> or come into the school office and request a paper application

Unfortunately the Hampshire website is not compatible with smart phones or tablets. If you need access to a computer to complete the form there are computers in the school Library that you can use and staff would be happy to help you get access to them.

Closing date for all applications is Thursday 15th January 2015. You are much less likely to get a place in your preferred school if you put your application in after this date.

Both ourselves and Bordon Juniors are very happy to show parents around the school and answer any questions you might have before you make your final decision.

School Results

Schools are judged on how well the children in Year 2 and Year 6 achieve at the end of the academic year. As an Infant School it is our Year 2 results in July that we are judged on. Around this time each year the school gets its official results from the government. As an Infant School we know straight away exactly what results the children have got and we do a lot of work identifying how we have done in comparison to previous years. What the government has just released is how well we as a school have done in comparison with all other schools nationally.

At the end of Year 2 the average expected level for a child is a level 2B. I am very pleased to say in all three areas Reading, Writing and Maths the school is above national levels. 83% of the children achieved level 2B or above in Reading, 80% in Writing and 85% in Maths. The Writing result was 10% above the national figure which is fantastic! In Writing and Maths children have performed significantly above the national average. The children have done especially well in achieving above the national average.

The children and staff worked amazingly hard last year and deserve a big well done. Can I also say thank you to all the parents who do so much to support their child at home. Just reading with your child once a day has such a huge impact and so many of you do so much more. Thank you.