## **Phonics Sessions**

Thank you to all the parents that came to the phonics session this Wednesday. We had a really good turnout of parents and the children loved the fact that they got to show you the things they have been doing.

The scheme we use to teach phonics and to support the teaching of reading and writing is called Read Write Inc. If you would like more information about this scheme or to learn how to pronounce the sounds you can look at either the Read Write Inc. website at

## http://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/parents/

Alternatively you can look at our school website which has resources you can download to support you in understanding how we teach the different letter sounds. We also have videos to watch on how to support your child to form the letters in school handwriting.

http://bordoninfantschool.co.uk/school-life/read-write-inc/

If you would like to know any more about how we teach phonics and how that supports reading and writing, or if you would like to know more about how to support your child, talk to your child's class teacher.

# **Upcoming Events**

#### 24 November

M&M Productions - Pinocchio

### 27 November

Year 1 Milestones Museum 9.10am Elephant Class Assembly

## 2 December 1.45-2.30pm

Year 2 Christingle at St Marks Church

### 3 December

Year R Food Tasting Year 2 Army WOW Day

### 4 December

9.10am Kangaroo Class Assembly5-7pm FOBS Christmas Fair

11 December 5.15-6.15pm

**FOBS Infant School Disco** 

# **FoBS Christmas Fair**

# 4<sup>th</sup> December

The FoBS Christmas Fair will take place in the Junior School again this year from 5:00pm to 7:00pm on Friday 4<sup>th</sup>

December

This has always been a fantastic event so do put the date in your diary

### Year 2 Trip to Winchester Military Museum

Year 2 went on a fantastic, if a bit wet, visit to Winchester Military Museum. The trip was part of the Year 2 topic on Remembrance. The children found out a lot about why we wear poppies on Remembrance Day and a bit about military life in the past. The children were exceptionally well behaved and other members of the public visiting the museum commented on how well-mannered our children were.

The children found out about how horses were used in the First World War from a fantastic talk from 'Calvary man Toby'.



## **New Parent Governor**

We are currently looking for a new parent governor. The school governors play a vital role in the life of the school and are key people in supporting us as a school to continue to improve. They do this by holding the school to account for the education of all the children, ensuring we have a clear strategic direction and by overseeing the financial performance of the school.

The role of the school governor requires parents to attend evening meetings around four times a term and to give a little time every few weeks. Ideally a parent governor would be able to come into school during the day and see school life in action. They would also give time in reading and reviewing school policies as well as talking to staff about the work they are doing.

Training and support will be available to help you develop into the role. This will include in-house mentoring and support as well as access to external governor training.

If you feel you can help in this capacity please contact the office for an application form which will need to be completed and returned to the school by 12.00 noon on 4th December 2015

You can find further information by looking at the information for prospective governors on the Hampshire County Council website at <a href="https://www.hants.gov.uk/education/governors/governors-govrecruit.htm">www.hants.gov.uk/education/governors/governors-govrecruit.htm</a>

Please note that for the protection of children all governor appointments are subject to an identity check.



## Stars of the week

12<sup>th</sup> November
Olivia Walker
Ella Harris
Leia Birch
Jack StewartKnibbs

19<sup>th</sup> November
Ellie Whiting
Oliver Moreland
Grace Abley
George Craig
Mateo Estigoy

## Santa Run

Sunday December 13th between 1pm and 4pm Starting in the Market Square Alton

Stroll - Market Square to the Assembly Rooms and

back. Start time: 2.30pm

Entry: £5 per adult £3 per child

Run - 3km

Entry £5. Age Limit 15 years and over

Start time: 1.30pm

Prizes galore and all entrants will receive a medal. Entry and Sponsorship forms from: Alton Herald Office and Waterstones.

All funds for the Home-Start charity

# **School Library**

Cara Nomuoja

The School Library is open from 8:30am to 8:45am every morning and 3:15pm to 3:45pm every afternoon.

In this time you can come in and choose a library book to take home with your child or you can just sit in the warm and dry to share a book.

Children can take a different library book every day if they want. Currently every child can take one book home but if you would like to take two at a time or if you have preschool children who would also like to take a book to be just like their big brother or sister just talk to a member of staff who will make it so you can take home a few more books each time.

If you are not sure where the library is, it is between the Year R playground and the Year 1 classrooms. Look for the big blue double doors.

# Photographs put on Facebook

Can we please ask parents to ensure no pictures taken at school are put on Facebook or any other social media.

While we are happy for parents to take pictures and film events such as class assemblies or celebration assembly, we expect you as parents to respect our rules in relation to social media.

Unlike many other school we have not banned parents taking pictures and we would hate to be put in a position where we had no choice.

Thank you