

# Newsletter

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# **School Travel Pledge**

Coming home with this newsletter is a School Travel Pledge Card from Hampshire County Council. This is the start of a big push from both Hampshire and ourselves to make the traffic situation around the school at pick up and drop off time as safe as possible.

The idea of the Travel Pledge is to see if as a family you can find another way to travel to school that does not involve using your car. If this is really impossible, which for many families we know it is, then can you as a family use one of the car parks near the school and walk the last little bit. What we are trying to do is to reduce the cars parking on Budds Lane down to zero.

Parents can park in the Garrison Swimming Pool car park, the car park at the top of Hampshire Road the Guadeloupe car park near the church or the car park by Martinique House.

The week after next we will be starting a scheme where the children can earn badges if, as a family, you park in one of these car parks or you walk, scoot or cycle to school. In fact the only way your child won't get a badge is if you park on Budds Lane or the car park opposite the Junior School playground. The children will record how they came to school each day and at the end of the month they will get special badges if they have managed to come to school by either walking, scooting, cycling or parking in one of the designated car parks a few times each week.

# **Upcoming Events**

#### **14 November 2017**

2.45pm Giraffe and Elephant Classes Assembly

#### **15 November 2017**

4-6pm Parents Evening

#### **16 November 2017**

4-7pm Parents Evening

#### **17 November 2017**

Children In Need – non-uniform day and bring a teddy to school

2.45pm Teddy Bears Picnic and parents

#### 21 November 2017

9.10am Year 2 Parents in to watch Literacy

2.45pm Kangaroo and Tiger Classes Assembly

#### 22 November 2017

Author Sue Hendra in

#### **23 November 2017**

Year 2 WOW Day – Camouflage clothes

#### 29 November 2017

Year 1 Milestones Museum Trip

#### 1 December 2017

1.45pm Year 2 Christingle Service at St Marks Church

4.30-7pm FoBS Christmas Fayre

#### 5, 6 & 7 December 2017

1.30pm Year 2 parents in for Tank making

## **Goodbye Mr Reilly**

Some of you may not know Mr Reilly but he is the Deputy Head at Bordon Juniors. Bordon Juniors sadly announced last week that after 20 years of working in the school Mr Reilly is leaving for pastures new. Not only has Mr Reilly played a huge part in the life of the children once they leave our school he has been instrumental in supporting FoBS. The time and energy he has put in to the parents association over the years has played a major part in its continued success. It is this success which has provided the children in both schools with resources and activities the schools otherwise could not have provided. In the last few years FoBS has provided funds for the sensory garden, the rainbow hut, Golden Time toys, in school pantomime, Year R and Year 1 outside equipment. Without Mr Reilly many of the activities FoBS run to raise money would not have taken place and the school would certainly not have raised as much as they have done. So on behalf of all of Bordon Infant School we want to say a very big thank you to Mr Reilly for everything he has done and wish him all the very best for the future.



Next Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> November is Children in Need Day. This year we are going to be having a non-school uniform day/dressing up day, whichever you and your child prefer. We would also like the children to bring in **one** of their teddies to school (but not their favourite that they cannot go to sleep without) to help us with the teddy themed activities we will be doing throughout the day. Any donation for the day would be amazing but we are asking for at least a £1. All the money raised will go to Children in Need.

We would also love it if parents could join us at the end of the day for a Teddy Bears Picnic and a story. Parents are welcome to come to their child's classroom door at 2:45pm to join us. If you have children in different classes please speak to the class teachers and we will arrange for all the children to be in one room. We can only do this for siblings not family friends.

### Stars of the Week

#### 10<sup>th</sup> November

James Lidgley Spencer Newman Evie Abley Vasil Yovchev

## **Pavement Parking**

We have had a few concerns with parents parking their cars right up on the pavement on the other side to the school along Budds Lane. We have contacted Hampshire Police for advice on this as we have been worried that a child may get hit.

The Police have said it is an offence to obstruct the pavement and parents may get a penalty notice for doing it. The Police have also asked us to remind parents that pavements are there for their children and other children's safety. Cars pulling up and driving on pavements are putting lives at risk.

There are a lot of car parks parents can use and Budds Lane is very long so there is no need to park on pavements opposite the school. Please can we ask you to look for alternative parking.



#### **Birdworld Tickets**

If you would like a **FREE** day out at Birdworld please come and speak to us in the school office.

We have one **FREE** family ticket for every day Birdworld is open. So if you fancy a day out at the weekend or just want to pop up for an hour after school come and sign up for a day.

The family tickets are for two adults and three children.

## Phoning in if your child is ill

With the increasing focus on children's attendance at school please ensure that you do let us know when your child is ill.

The best way is to phone the school and leave a message on the school answer phone. When you phone in it is option 1 to leave absence details.

If we have not heard from you we have to mark the absence as unauthorised. If you later inform us your child was ill we can change the unauthorised mark to an ill mark but in our experience unless people do it straight away they do forget.

Too many unauthorised absences can lead to parents being fined and we want to avoid that at all costs.