



# Newsletter

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21<sup>st</sup> September 2018

## School Governor Wins Hampshire Education Award For Governance



On Tuesday night the first ever Hampshire Education Awards were held in the Great Hall in Winchester. Brian Larbey, who is our school Chair of Governors, was one of three governors who had been shortlisted from all the nominations across the whole of Hampshire. Being one of the three shortlisted candidates was itself impressive and as a school we were so proud that he had been shortlisted. When on the night they announced that Brian had won the award for Governance we were not at all surprised, Brian himself was very surprised and did not get up for a little while, a little nudging from his very proud wife however soon got him moving to go and collect his award. The judges said that *Brian has a great passion for Bordon Infant School. As Chair of Governors, he is unswerving in his support of the school and ensures that he provides sound judgment and advice. Brian has an excellent working relationship with both the leadership team and the wider school staff team. This is based on an ethos of trust and dedication to ensure the very best for the children of the school. Brian truly values the role of governors and has supported many new governors at the school. His innovations have helped improve the strategic role of the governing body.*

As you can see he truly deserved the award. We can now say that as a school we have the best governor in Hampshire!

## Upcoming Events

### 28 September 2018

Non-uniform day – see below

8.45am McMillan Coffee morning in Log Cabin

### 30 September 2018

11am-3pm FoBS Family Fun Day

### 1 October 2018

School Photographer In

### 19 October 2018

9am Harvest Assembly

3.15pm End of term

### 29 October 2018

8.45am Start of term

### 30 October 2018

Flu Immunisations

### 31 October 2018

6pm FoBS AGM

### 6 November 2018

9am Year 1&R Parents - RWI session

1pm M&M Productions In

### 14 November 2018

4-6pm Parents Evening

### 15 November 2018

4-7pm Parents Evening

## School Funding

Dear Parents,

I have written in the past about the funding schools receive and the impact the lack of money is having across the education sector. Hampshire is one of the worse funded local authorities in the country. As a county we receive money for every child and Hampshire receives over £3,000 per child less than the highest funded local authority. To put it in real terms if we were in the highest funded authority, as a school we would receive £590,000 more than we do now almost doubling our budget. Between 2012, when I started as Headteacher, and now our budget has fallen by £56,000 the equivalent of two additional teachers, this does not include the increase in costs such as national insurance and pension rises and inflation. During this time we have continued to improve and our results have continued to rise. However many schools are under serious pressure. Across the country schools have faced real term cuts of 8% according to the Institute of Fiscal Studies. Next Friday I will be representing our school by traveling to London with around 1000 Head teacher's across the country to take a letter to Downing Street to ask the government to look seriously at how they invest in the future of our country. There is no political motive, this is not about increased pay or improved working conditions this is about schools saying please provide the funds we need to be able to give the very best to the children in our care. I hope you feel as we do as a school, that such an important matter has to be raised in a high profile way and we have to fight for the needs of all children not just those in our own school.

# Family Fun Day Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September

Please do keep next weekend free and come along on the 30<sup>th</sup> for the Fantastic Family Fun Day, 11am to 3pm. The entrance this year will be through the Budds Lane Gate and the swimming pool car park will be open on the day.

***If you have any raffle tickets for the Fun Day please return them to school ASAP***

## Non-uniform day Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September

To help get ready for the fair we are having a non-uniform day. All we ask is that for every child not wearing uniform they bring in a donation to go on one of the stalls to be sold to raise money.

Donations can be:

A cake to donate to the cake stall

A bottle for the bottle tombola, alcoholic or non-alcoholic

Toiletries or chocolate

Any nice but unwanted gifts we could sell on a stall



## Stars of the Week



### 14<sup>th</sup> September

Jamie Rowe  
George Budd  
Adam George  
Louis Conway

### 21<sup>st</sup> September

Amelie Jones  
Damien Wilson  
Alanys Taylor  
Chloe Arthur

## Macmillan Coffee Morning Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September 8:45 in the Log Cabin

WORLD'S BIGGEST  
**COFFEE**  
MORNING

**MACMILLAN**  
CANCER SUPPORT

This year we are again holding a coffee and cake morning in order to raise funds for Macmillan cancer support. Please do pop into the log cabin after you have dropped your children off for a coffee (or tea) and a bit of cake. All the funds raised go to an amazing charity. If you can't stay but you would still like to make a donation then please give it to a member of staff.

## Breakfast and Afterschool Club

We do still have some spaces in both Breakfast and Afterschool Club.

Breakfast Club is open from 8:00am and costs £3 per session. Afterschool Club runs until 5:30pm and costs £6 per session.

All spaces can be booked through the school office.

We do have a few emergency spaces so if you need on the day places we may be able to help. We can never guarantee a space but please just give the school a ring and we will do our best to help out.

## Uniform

Thank you for ensuring that all the children look so smart when they are in school. Parent's views following the questionnaire we sent out last year have really helped to produce our school policy.

It is especially noticeable how smart the girls are looking with hair accessories in the school colours, red, white, black or grey, thank you.

Can we just remind parents that if children are wearing earrings then they should only be studs.

As the weather gets a bit colder and you are thinking about winter shoes can we strongly recommend that girls have shoes and not boots. While the boots look smart as they walk around it is very uncomfortable for children to sit crossed legged on the carpet wearing knee high boots.