

## ACADEMIC YEAR 16/17

### NOVEMBER

FRIDAY 11TH	CLASS 1 SCHOOL TRIP TO BODIAM CASTLE CLASS 4 SCHOOL TRIP TO BATTLE ABBEY
MONDAY 14TH	PTA CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS TO BE DISTRIBUTED THROUGH WEEK VIA YOUR CHILD'S BAG
TUESDAY 15TH	CLASS 2 & FRAMFIELD KINGFISHERS CLASS TRIP TO MICHELHAM PRIORY  OPEN MORNING FOR YEAR R, SEPTEMBER 2017 PLACE 9.30-10.30AM  CLASS 4 MIDDAY TO OUR FEDERATION SCHOOL FRAMFIELD TO SPEND THE AFTERNOON WITH EAGLES CLASS. RAINBOW THEATRE VIKING WORKSHOP. PLEASE COLLECT YOUR CHILD AT 3.00PM FROM FRAMFIELD CEP SCHOOL.  CLASS 4 INDIVIDUAL PUPILS INVITED TO TAKE PART IN ATHLETICS TOURNAMENT AT UCKFIELD LEISURE CENTRE 3.45-5.15PM PLEASE REFER TO LETTER SENT HOME.
THURSDAY 17TH	REV CHRIS ASSEMBLY 9.05AM IN THE SCHOOL HALL—ALL WELCOME
FRIDAY 18TH	NATIONAL CHILDREN IN NEED DAY.  CHILDREN'S COMMISSIONERS NATIONAL TAKE OVER DAY  2.40PM YEAR 3 CAFÉ—ALL WELCOME. ALL PROCEEDS RAISED FROM THIS CAFÉ WILL BE GIVEN TOWARDS CHILDREN IN NEED
MONDAY 21ST	WHOLE SCHOOL MUFTI DAY IN EXCHANGE FOR A BOTTLE OR A SMALL CHRISTMAS ITEM - BODY LOTION, CHOCOLATE, CANDLE ETC

**INSET DAYS FOR 16/17:**  
TUESDAY 03RD JANUARY 2017  
FRIDAY 21ST JULY 2017

THERE IS ONE MORE INSET FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 16/17 TO BE SET AND THIS WILL BE COMMUNICATED AS SOON AS DECIDED UPON.



# Blackboys News

Friday

11th November 2016

Dear Parents / Carers

Last week saw the first Parent Consultation of the academic year. Thank you to all the parents who made an appointment and showed such interest in their child's/children's progress. If you haven't received your child's report card in their book bag please let the class teacher know.

### Message from Chair of Governors

I would like to take the opportunity to welcome four new Governors who joined us in September: Samantha Butler, Gillian Clark, Sarah Cottingham, and Tjadine Ullmann-Carp. They are all Foundation Governors, which means that they have been appointed by the Diocese, but I think you will recognise some familiar names amongst this list. I am delighted that they all wanted to join us and give something back to our community and they are already getting fully involved. We do have a full membership but I am always interested in hearing from others who might want to be part of the Governing Body in the future, and this should not be restricted just to parents. The richness of the group comes from having perspectives and skills from a wide range of people across the parish and beyond. So if you are interested, or know of anyone who is, please do get in touch with me via the School Office.

Katharine Rabson Stark  
*Chair of Governors*

### Charity News

A cheque will shortly be sent off to our Term 1 charity "Kit out the Caribbean" and we will inform you for how much as soon as all the pennies have been counted! The School Council have chosen to support 'Age UK'



for Term 2. At a time of year when the elder generation of our Country can sometimes be over looked we think that this is a very poignant and timely charity to support. We already have a 'Wear a Christmas Jumper to School' day planned, where pupils will be asked to donate a £1 to wear a festive jumper to school. All proceeds raised will be sent to the charity along with our Thursday assembly collection at the end of this term.

### Christmas Events

Term 2 is a busy one to say the least! As an aide memoire, we are currently producing a Key Date fes-



tive planner for both KS1 and KS2 which we hope to distribute to you all next week.

Please keep an eye out for these which will be sent via



## PTA News

The anticipation for the Christmas Fair is building. The date for the fair is Saturday 26th November midday—2pm, we look forward to seeing you there! Below are a list of key dates in preparation of the event itself:

DATE	ACTION / TO DO!
MONDAY 14TH NOVEMBER	Raffle tickets to be handed out via your child's bag to be sold to family and friends. Extra tickets available. Once sold please return stubs and money to the school office in an envelope.
FRIDAY 18TH NOVEMBER	Pots to be handed out and sent home via your child. These should then be decorated and filled. Please keep sweets to a minimum.
MONDAY 21ST NOVEMBER	Mufti Day. NO school uniform in exchange for a Bottle or festive nicety (wine, nice body lotion, chocolate, candles, etc.)
WEDNESDAY 23RD NOVEMBER	Please bring in labelled Christmas lights, decorations, etc. to be borrowed for decorating the hall and play area.
FRIDAY 25TH NOVEMBER	Filled pots to be returned to school. Homemade chutneys and jams and other produce and cakes to be handed in. Sold raffle ticket stubs to be handed in.
SATURDAY 26TH NOVEMBER	<i>THE PTA CHRISTMAS FAIR MIDDAY—2PM! WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!</i>

As has turned into PTA tradition; your child has in School designed a Christmas card which you will be able to order copies of. We are hoping for the delivery of these to be made by the end of November if not before. These will be distributed by your child's bag with an order form to enable you to order copies of the card. We shall be looking for a quick order turn around to get orders placed and back in time for early December for festive use!



## School Photographs

As you know the school photographer, Tempest, visited School on Monday of this week. We are hoping for a quick turnaround and that pictures will be back in time for you to order from these in time for a Christmas delivery. The photographs to order from will be distributed via your child's book bag and a Parentmail email will also be sent out alerting you to keep an eye out for these!



## KS1 NATIVITY COSTUMES

Information about your child's KS1 nativity costume was sent out this week. As per the leaflet sent, please ensure that the costume is in School by Friday 09th December 2016 in a named bag!

## HOCKEY CLUB

Hockey Club will be finishing for the Winter months on Friday 25th November. Hockey Club will re-start again in February 2017 and further information about sign up and start dates will be communicated in the New Year.



## Love In a Box

The 'Love in a Boxes' were collected and all sent successfully off this week.



Thank you to all pupils and Parents who took the time to support this charity by filling decorated shoe boxes. We are sure that the recipients will be delighted by the contents!

## CLASS 2 NEED YOUR HELP!

A 'please' from Class 2! Are there any parents/grandparents who have a spare hour on a Tuesday afternoon to help with Class 2's Library session? Any volunteers for this would be helping the children to choose appropriate books from the library and keep a record of what they have chosen. Time allowing, they would also hear a few children read. Please speak with Mrs Sullivan or Mrs Sheffield in the Office if you are able to assist. Please note that you will be required to complete an enhanced DBS disclosure for this, if you don't already hold one for the School.

Gold Book Awards for week of 31st October:

### Class 1

Evie Messmer: For beautiful handwriting.

Henry Pistell: For being an enthusiastic writer.

Ayla Wright: For trying hard with her concentration.

### Class 2

Dylan Wood: For fantastic literacy.

Kailah Hill: For comparing and ordering numbers.

Coco Coles: For using some great noun phrases.

### Class 3

Owen Prendergast: For being a great influence in class.

Grace Cottingham: For writing loads at the moment.

Tiya Ward: For contributing lots in class and being super smiley .

### Class 4

Josie Ramel: For great work on main and subordinate clauses.

Joseph Welsh: For super effort in Maths.

Thea Godfrey: For being the best that she can be.