

# Bournville Junior School Newsletter

Friday 10th February 2017

#### **Dear Parents**

Class 5E were delighted with the response to their class assembly last week. They entertained us with a variety of dances, poems, songs and information about Ancient Egypt, including the gruesome details of the mummification process. The class contributed to the preparation work themselves, in particular helping to choreograph the dances; well done 5E! Many thanks to all those who were able to come and support the children.

As you are aware, safeguarding your children is our priority and we value our partnership with you in this important aspect of school life. We continue to ask for your support in maintaining our site security by ensuring that you close any doors and gates behind you as you enter and leave the premises.

Thank you to those of you who have already sent in donations to our chosen charity, St. Basil's. This will be collected next Thursday (16th February), so any further contributions would be gratefully received before then.

Mr Evans has asked for adult volunteers to help with preparing the ground on the garden strip as we develop this into an attractive garden area. We would love to see you in your wellies on Monday morning (13th February) at 10.00 to meet with Marie Wellings from the Conservation Trust. Come and get stuck in!

Children and staff are busy right up to next Friday, 17th February, when we break up for our half term holiday. We welcome everyone back on Monday 27th February.

Wishing you an enjoyable and relaxing break,

Mrs Williams

# **LUNCH TIME SUPERVISOR REQUIRED**

Lunch Time Supervisor role, ensuring the safety and welfare of children at lunchtime.

Monday to Friday 12 noon – 1.22 p.m. term time only. £8.14 - £9.75 per hour. To start as soon as possible. Contact the school office on 675 9098 for further details and an application form.

# Deadline for applications is Friday 3rd March.

A positive approach to working with children is essential, as is a commitment to our safeguarding procedures.

# **ATTENDANCE**

# High Attendance = High Achievement

Congratulations to class 4S for achieving 99.4% week ending 27th January and to class 4G for achieving 99.4% week ending 3rd February.

Congratulations also to Classes 3S, 4G and 4RA who won the trophy for the best class attendance figure for the month. The January figure was 98.4%. They will keep the trophy in their classroom. Well done to you all.

#### **DATES FOR DIARIES**

**13th March** - Year 3 Peter & the Wolf performance at Birmingham Conservatoire

**22nd March** - 5.45-8.15pm Parents' Evening **23th March** - 3.45-6.15pm Parents' Evening **17th-26th March** - Bournville Book Festival

24th March - Red Nose Day

# **MOBILE PHONES**

I would like to make you aware that it is school policy that children do not have mobile phones in their possession in school. This is for safeguarding reasons, as well as concerns around losing valuable items.

In exceptional circumstances, the school may agree for a child to leave a mobile phone with the office to be collected at the end of the day for use after school. This would require a letter from you explaining why the phone is needed, and agreement that the phone would not be used on school premises at all before it is handed in to the office staff by your child first thing and collected at the end of the day. If this is the case, please address your request for permission letter for the attention of Mrs Richardson and await a reply before sending your child in with a phone. Many thanks.

#### **MUSIC NEWS**



BJS choir you rocked at Young Voices! You sang brilliantly and your behaviour was fantastic. Not only did you get to sing with 6,500 other children, but you also got to hear Natalie Williams, Tabby Callaghan, the Beatbox Collective and of course Urban Strides! A huge thank you to our parent helpers Gary Bennett, Ruth Payn and Alison Martin and

also to Mrs Richardson, Charlotte Barber and Mrs Rudge for giving up their time to look after you. We couldn't take part in these concerts with out their help. We will definitely be going again next year.

#### **Choir Concert Dates**

8th July — Ruddock Concert Hall, KEHS, with the Phoenix Singers. 7p.m. Rehearsal to be advised.

15th July — St Francis Church, with the Midland Hospital Choir. 3p.m. Rehearsal to be advised. This concert will also include our school Hand bell group.

# **Peripatetic Music Lessons**

All music lessons for this half term should now have been paid for. Lessons will start straight after half term and continue until 31st March. The cost for 5 weeks of lessons are £31.50.

We currently have spaces for flute and clarinet. Please contact the office if you are interested in learning either of these instruments.

# **Curricula Music**

In our class music lessons Year 6 are busy learning about music during WW2 and the important role it had to play in boosting morale. They are now starting to compose their own music using morse code as their inspiration and their final compositions will be posted on the website.

In Year 3 we are listening to Prokofiev's 'Peter and the Wolf' and the children will be composing their own music for each character. This is in preparation for a live performance they will hear in school on March 15th, from musicians from the Birmingham Conservatoire.

# **Bournville Area Band**

There will be a concert for all members of the Bournville Area Band on Monday 20th March at the University School.

If you do have any music queries at all please don't hesitate to contact me via the school office or on c.vaughan@bnvillej.bham.sch.uk

#### **SCHOOL MEALS**

For those of you wishing to pay in advance for school meals for the next half term, Monday 27th February to Friday 7th April, the cost will be £64.50 which can be paid via your parentpay account. Cost of opt-in meals will vary according to choice as per letter.

# **SAINSBURYS ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER 2017**

We are collecting Active Kids Vouchers. It's easy to collect vouchers for Active Kids 2017. In Sainsbury's Locals and Petrol Stations, you will get one voucher for every £5 you spend. In Sainsbury's Supermarkets and online you will receive 1 voucher for every £10 you spend. The collection box is situated outside the school office. Donate by 30th June 2017. Thank you.

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

In August, 1st Kings Norton Sea Scouts are taking a group of 10 - 18 year olds to Spain for a water activity week. Two pupils from Bournville are going and we have to fundraise the money for the trip. One event is going to be a Fashion show on 4th March 7pm-9pm at St Peter's Church Hall, B17

OBB. It will be hosted by Love Label
Fashions selling named brands such as
Boden, Per Una and Monsoon with 50%
discount or more. Tickets £5 to include a
drink. For more info and to purchase tickets
please email: rudgetowers@aol.com

Bournville Young Singers welcomes children between the ages of 5-18. Meetings are held on Saturday mornings during term time at the Friends Meeting House. For further information please contact Anne Ellis on 0121 458 2331 or anne@byoungsingers.org.uk

# **SCHOOL SHOP - WINTER SALE!**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February—17<sup>th</sup> February.

Everything will be reduced to 50p!

Bargain Box items to 10p!

Please see flyer in bookbags for further information.

# **GOVERNING BOARD NEWS**

Our Governing Board will continue to meet this term. The dates of the committee meeting are listed below:

10th February Curriculum & Standards

**13th February** Finance

**2nd March** Pay & Governance

13th March Staffing

**30th March** Full Governing Board