



The Bewbush Academy

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Friday 1st December 2017

So, we've reached the 1st December already and all the Christmas events will begin to happen. I've been here for nearly two-thirds of a year and when I met with a parent this week I realised many of you don't know who I am. I'm on the gate most mornings but here is my photo so that you recognise me. We are in the process of building a new website and there will be a photo of me on there too!



Last week was a busy week with three inspectors in school for two days. We are eagerly awaiting confirmation of the outcome of what proved to be a very thorough inspection. Hopefully the report will be published before Christmas and we will send it out to everyone.

The Friends of Bewbush Academy met and are desperately looking for more committee members to help organise the fantastic events they put on in school – come-on everyone, your children love the events, their school benefits from the funds raised, they need you!

Mallard Class held a fabulous assembly this week, thank you to all the parents who came along and watched their children in action! There are lots of things coming-up over the coming weeks so have a good look at the diary of events, but the collection for the chocolate tombola starts next week and four of our Year 5 & 6 pupils are representing Bewbush in a Poetry Slam at Thomas Bennett on Monday – Good Luck to them, their performances are fantastic! Every child will be taking part in a Christmas Performance of some sort this year; Reception will be doing a traditional Nativity and all other pairs of year groups will be singing, please book your place via SchoolsBuddy. On the final afternoon, 20th December, we will be holding a Christmas sing-along, outside the school, that will involve every child – all parents are welcome to come and join us at 2.50pm. I will remind you of this again in the next newsletter.

Christine Dickens

Superhero Awards

24th November

Heron Kuba
 Puffin Demba
 Swan Job
 Sparrow Amal
 Wren Shaaf
 Blackbird Szymon
 Chaffinch Aleena
 Jay Subhan
 Magpie Amira
 Mallard Rian
 Robin Vanessa
 Swift Chloe S
 Greenfinch Rayan
 Owl Bradley
 Skylark Noemi
 Eagle Jersey
 Hawk Yara
 Kestrel Daniel

1st December

Heron Timmy
 Puffin Umar
 Swan Oly
 Sparrow Megan
 Wren Callum
 Blackbird Lexi
 Chaffinch Sara
 Jay Callie
 Magpie Kacper
 Mallard Hazel
 Robin Jason
 Swift Jayden
 Greenfinch Theo
 Owl Madison
 Skylark Priya
 Eagle Katelyn
 Hawk Emma
 Kestrel Gibril



Schools Admissions 2019 consultation

The Bewbush Academy follows the Admissions arrangements and criteria put in place by West Sussex County Council. They are currently consulting parents and other members of the public on the admission arrangements. If you would like to participate and have your say please go to this website - <https://haveyoursay.westsussex.gov.uk/children-adults-families-health-and-education/school-admission-arrangements-2019-2020/>

Christmas Performances

Tickets are selling fast for the Christmas Performances. To book your tickets please log on to SchoolsBuddy. One booking of 2 tickets per family is available. If you have any queries please contact the school office.

School Disco

The School Disco this year will be held on Monday 18th December. Tickets will be £2.50 per child, which includes a drink and a gift. The times will be:-



Year 1-2 – 3.15pm - 4.00pm
 Year 3-4 – 4.15pm – 5.00pm
 Year 5-6 – 5.15pm - 6.00pm



The Friends will be selling tickets in the school playground after school on Monday 4th, Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th December ONLY. Tickets will be sold on a first come first served basis. Please note tickets will not be available after this date as The Friends need time to purchase the gifts.

Reception children will have a visit from Santa in their classroom. A separate letter will come out to parents next week.

Chocolate Tombola and Christmas Arts & Crafts

Hopefully you received the SchoolsBuddy message regarding the request for chocolate donations for the Chocolate Tombola being run by Mrs Farndon. The Tombola will be running from morning break on Monday 11th December and after school in Mallard Class. This will continue until the chocolate runs out! Please give any donations to your class teacher or the front office.

Christmas Arts & Crafts will be held in the same week at lunchtime again in Mallard class. Children need to make sure they have eaten lunch at the appropriate time for their year group. Each item will cost £1 and the club will last until stocks run out.

A letter will be sent next week with further information.

Feed Crawley

Have you heard of Feed Crawley? We are very lucky to have parents from our school that are involved with this great project. Feed Crawley is an amazing community organisation that takes quality surplus food and turns it into tasty free meals for all those that would like them. Every Wednesday from 5pm-9pm you can join them at The Charis Centre in West Green RH11 7EL. Their fantastic meals include both a vegetarian option and a dessert and is all served in a family friendly atmosphere. Why not go with friends and find out just how good they are? If you would like to know more, including the menu for that week, you can follow "Feed Crawley" on Facebook.





Rotary Club

Father Christmas is coming to Bewbush!

We have been advised by The Rotary club of Crawley the Sleigh will be arriving on Tuesday 19th December at 6.00pm before flying back to the North Pole at 7.00pm. Parents and Children are welcome to wait in the following roads:-

- Sullivan Drive
- Arcturus Road
- Barlow Road
- Gasson Wood Road
- Oberton Way
- Breezehurst Drive

Spare clothing?

Do you have any **unwanted school clothes**? The School Office are desperately seeking spare trousers, socks, knickers/pants, socks and even school PE shorts. If you do have any at all, please drop them into the school office any time after the School holidays. If you have borrowed any of our spare stock, please could we ask you to return them to either the Class Teacher or the school office. Thank you.

PE kit update

It is increasingly cold at the moment so we are suggesting that in addition to your child's PE kit, you also include tracksuit bottoms or leggings to leave in school. These should be black or grey, please ensure they are named.

After Schools Club

The After School clubs are coming to a close. Please see the table below with the last date for each club.

For information the Gymnastics club run by Nicky's Gymnastics from 4.30pm-6.30pm will continue to run until 11th December and restart on 15th January.

Club	When	Dates
Gymnastics	Mon	4 Dec
Football - CTFC3	Mon	11 Dec
Hockey3	Mon	4 Dec
Street Dance5	Tues	5 Dec
Cheerleading	Tues	5 Dec
Multi-skills	Tues	28 Nov
Guitar	Wed	29 Nov
Girls Football	Wed	29 Nov
Street Dance1	Wed	6 Dec
Ukelele	Thurs	30 Nov
Drama	Thurs	30 Nov
Touch Rugby	Thurs	30 Nov
Boys Football	Thurs	30 Nov
Art	Thurs	30 Nov
Hockey5	Fri	1 Dec
Basketball	Fri	1 Dec
Cross Country	Fri	1 Dec
Football - CTFC1	Fri	8 Dec
Street Dance3	Fri	8 Dec



The Bewbush Academy Pedometer Challenge

How is your child getting on with the Bewbush Pedometer Challenge? Children must remember to reset the pedometer every morning and wear it on their waist. Which winning House will receive the gold medals?

Ukelele lessons

Year 3 and 4 have been learning to play ukulele this term and they have LOVED it. Year 6 learned last year and many of them still come to ukulele club. By the end of the year all children in the school will have had a term of learning ukulele! If you were considering purchasing a ukulele for your child to continue playing at home, the school office will be able to provide you with further information.

Key dates for your diary

December 2017	
4 th	Poetry Slam
5 th	Year 5-6 Street Dance Performance
6 th	Year 1-2 Street Dance Performance
8 th	EYFS Dress Christmas Performance 9.30am
8 th	Year 3-4 Street dance Performance
12 th	Year 3-4 Christmas Performance - 9.30am
12 th	Year 3-4 Christmas Performance - 2.00pm
13 th	9am Year 3 - Chaffinch Class Assembly
13 th	EYFS Christmas Performance - 9.30am
13 th	EYFS Christmas Performance - 2.00pm
14 th	Year 1-2 Christmas Performance - 9.30am
14 th	Year 1-2 Christmas Performance - 2.00pm
14 th	Drama, Guitar, Ukulele End of term finale 4.30pm
15 th	100% Attendance awards
18 th	Christmas Disco Year 1-2 – 3.15pm - 4.00pm Year 3-4 – 4.15pm – 5.00pm Year 5-6 – 5.15pm -6.00pm
20 th	Year 5-6 Christmas Performance - 9.30am
20 th	Whole School Christmas Performance - 2.50pm
21 st -3 rd Jan	Christmas holidays
January 2018	
4 th	INSET Day
5 th	Start of Spring term
10 th	Reception 2018/19 Open Day 2.00pm
February 2018	
12 th -16 th	Half term holiday
March 2018	
29 th	INSET Day
April 2018	
30 th -13 th Apr	Easter holidays
May 2018	
7 th	Bank Holiday
28 th -1 st Jun	Half term holiday
June 2018	
4 th	INSET Day
July 2018	
24 th	Last day of term