



## BENSON C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

*Providing a rich,  
stimulating & enjoyable  
environment, where  
children can begin their  
learning journey &  
prepare for adult life*



NEWSLETTER

ISSUE 6

# Message from Mrs Crolla



Mrs Crolla  
Head Teacher

*Our value for this term is: Respect*

**Dear Parents**

I cannot quite believe that the Christmas season is upon us. FOBS have worked incredibly hard, preparing for the Christmas Fayre tomorrow so I look forward to seeing you there. A huge thank you to Jo and all her team for their hard work. Last year was amazing so it promises to be a wonderful event.

### **Playground Equipment**

Many of you will have seen the new play equipment being installed. The school council will be discussing some rules, to keep everyone safe, whilst enjoying themselves. We would also like to install a fence around the area to encourage quieter play long term. The solar stop watch will hopefully provide a resource for play and outdoor learning. All this equipment has been funded by FOBS and a Benson Bulletin Grant. The area at the end of the Trim Trail is being modified in the Christmas holidays so more news on this will follow.

### **Home School Agreement**

Thank you to those parents and children who have signed the **Home School Agreement**. In our efforts to achieve outstanding provision, the support from parents is essential. This can range from ensuring your child is wearing the correct uniform to encouraging your child when they are completing homework. As a staff, we truly value your support and aim to nurture your children in a happy learning environment. Please return signed agreements to the office.

### **Christmas Activities**

The next few weeks will be extremely busy so please do keep an eye on the diary section within the newsletters and the school website. If you are unsure, please do ask the office. As always, text messages will be sent as reminders for key events.

Best wishes, 

**Mrs Helen Crolla, Headteacher**





## Key Dates

- **29/11/16** - Sycamore & Hawthorn WW2 Education Museum Workshop
- **01/12/16** - Open Morning for prospective parents at 9.30am  
(call the office for an appointment)
- **05/12/16** - Infant Nativity Dress Rehearsal
- **06/12/16** - Infant Nativity at 6pm
- **07/12/16** - Infant Nativity at 2pm
- **09/12/16** - FoBS Christmas Shop and FoBS Disco
- **09/12/16** - Nursery Christmas Sing-a-Long 2pm
- **09/12/16** - WWII Year 5/6 Dress-Up Day
- **13/12/16** - Christmas Lunch
- **15/12/16** - Christmas Parties pm
- **16/12/16** - Christmas Church Service 10am, End of Term 2 at 2.15pm
- **04/01/17** - Beginning of Term 3



## Other News

### School Council News

The children have been busy discussing playtimes and how to make these more exciting. They would like to put in place a Lego station and a box of Top Trumps. If you have any unwanted general Lego or complete packs of Top Trumps that you would like to donate, please leave these at the office. FoBs have kindly said that they would help this project too.

### Christmas Lunch – Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December

This will be taking place for all children in Key Stages 1 and 2 and the Tuesday Nursery Lunch Club children.

The menu will be Roast Turkey with Pigs in Blankets and Gravy or Homemade Quorn and Mushroom Wellington with Roast Potatoes, Garden Peas and Carrot Batons. Festive Ice-cream or Fresh Fruit Salad.

Please ensure that your child knows to order a hot lunch on that day. Payments can be made electronically via [www.schoolmoney.co.uk](http://www.schoolmoney.co.uk). If you need your child's password re-issuing, please contact the school office.

### Lunch Money and School Trips

Please ensure that any outstanding payments are made either using [www.schoolmoney.co.uk](http://www.schoolmoney.co.uk) or by cash/cheque via the school office.

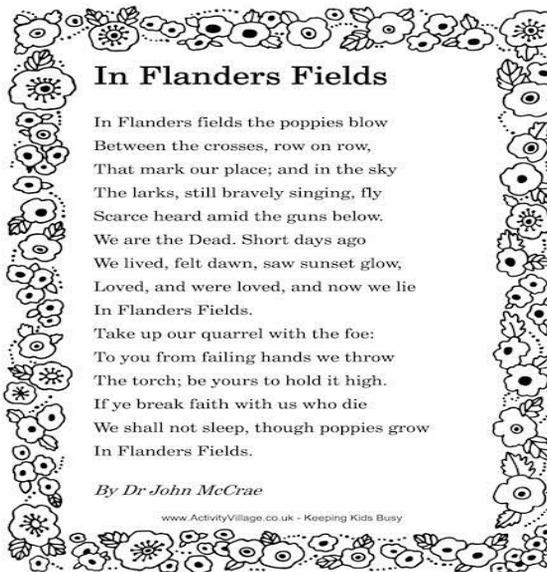


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### **Benson CofE Primary School Celebrating Remembrance Day!**

**On Friday 11th November 2016 at 11am Benson School gathered on the school playground to have a two minutes of silence.**

**All the class, from Reception to year six, stopped what they were doing and came out. On the playground before the two minutes of silence started, we heard a famous poem called In Flanders Field. Which goes like this:**



**After the British legion said their poem, we heard a loud bang on the field. That is when we started the two minutes of silence. When the two minutes of silence was over, we heard another loud bang to end it. Then we went back into class and carried on with the day.**

**This is an annual event at school, which we really think is important because we appreciate what the fallen did for us.**

**By Hayley and Phoebe**