



Beer C of E Primary School

Friday Flier - 12



Friday 2nd December 2016

Executive Headteacher: Miss Rebecca Porter

Chair of Governors: Mrs Jean Smith

COMING UP	
Thursday 8 th December	Dress rehearsal - PLEASE COLLECT FROM CHURCH AT 3.15PM
Friday 9 th December	2.00pm Christmas Matinee Performance, Mariners' Hall - PLEASE COLLECT CHILDREN FROM CHURCH AT 3.15PM & Late night shopping
Monday 12 th December	5.30pm Christmas Evening Performance, Mariners' Hall - PLEASE DROP CHILDREN AT CHURCH AT 5.10PM PLEASE COLLECT CHILDREN FROM CHURCH AT 6.45PM
Tuesday 13 th December	School Christmas Lunch -please ensure children bring their own drinks bottles to lunch on this day
Wednesday 14 th December	AM - Theatre Alibi Performance - 'The boy who climbed into the moon' PM - Class Christmas Parties
Thursday 15 th December	Carol Service at St Michael's Church at 2.30pm - PLEASE COLLECT CHILDREN FROM CHURCH AT 3.15PM
Friday 16 th December	Last day of term

A message from the headteacher:

The countdown to Christmas is officially underway – last Sunday (27th November) saw the start of advent which always commences on the fourth Sunday before Christmas (the Sunday nearest to St Andrew's Day). Our school Christmas festivities start next week with the first Christmas matinee performance then continue the following week with the evening performance, visiting theatre, nativity service and class Christmas parties. These next two weeks will definitely fly by! This weekend, I'm looking forward to putting our Christmas tree up at home and making sure the house is appropriately festive in time for Father Christmas; it's never a quick job though with children, is it?!

Best wishes, Miss Porter

THE CHILDREN'S WEEK

Class 1: Class 1 have been practising hard at learning their dances and the songs for the Christmas production. We have been following and ordering instructions and thinking how to use 'bossy' verbs which we have role-played with actions. Year 1 have started to write instructions for simple routines. In maths, we have worked out pairs to make 10 using Numicon. Year 1 have found the missing number to make 10 and reception have been working on counting and reading and writing numbers. Christmas has arrived and the children are enjoying Santa's Workshop and using the figures in the stable to learn about the birth of Jesus.

Class 2: The Voyager Dome that arrived on Wednesday was an amazing experience for the whole school and a super finale for our writing unit about 'Laura's Star'. We travelled to the moon and watched Tim Peake in space, as well as learning about all the planets in our solar system. The children were fascinated and thought of lots of interesting and sensible questions to ask Simon Ould, the Space Odyssey leader. We have also had lots of fun looking at the homework about following instructions. It is amazing to see the huge variety of projects that the children and their families have undertaken. The children are working hard on their termly assessments in Maths and English and have also been practising their singing and dancing for the Christmas play.

Class 3 & 4: Key Stage 2 have been very busy preparing for our school pantomime. We are really impressed with how the children are performing with some excellent singing and dancing. Also this week, the children have been taking their end of term assessments and have enjoyed a morning in the space dome.

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Thank You Certificates

Congratulations to the following children:

Class 1: Jimi Rowe for working hard in phonics and for always being keen to join in, **Elena Adkin** for great writing during phonics and for being kind and thoughtful to her friends, **Kai Josko** for trying really hard with letter formation and doing everything with an enthusiastic smile and **Charlotte Maylen** for working hard at her reading and using key word spellings in her writing.

Class 2: Laila Hoskins and **Maisie Clist** for working sensibly and with good focus and **Marley Arbourne** for being really hardworking and showing super general knowledge.

Class 3: Lana Partridge for her outstanding complex sentences about Harry Potter and **Alfie Manville** for making great contributions in Literacy and Maths, always willing to share his ideas

Class 4 - Miss Randall: Roman Moore for showing huge commitment and determination in learning his lines for the Christmas performance and **Chloe Ford** for great observations learning about 2d shapes.

Class 4 - Mr Evans: Amelie Houseago for the excellent quality and depth of thinking in everything she does and **Harvey Green** for being a helpful and responsible member of the class.

Star Writer: Sam Fowler



Reminders/Information:

- For all costumes to be brought in, in a named bag ASAP - Monday at the **VERY** latest.

PLEASE NOTE - PERFORMANCES ARE AT THE MARINERS' HALL, BUT PICK UP AND DROP OFF CHILDREN AT THE CHURCH (WHICH WILL BE USED TO STORE BAGS/COATS ETC).

After the matinee performance on Friday 9th December, costumes will be handed back to the children ready for them to come dressed in them to the evening performance - **please drop children at the CHURCH at 5.10pm on Monday 12th December.**

- Due to the colder weather all children **MUST** have a warm coat in school.

- Our Christmas postbox has arrived and will be outside the office for all Christmas cards to be posted. Please make sure the name of the child and their class is written on the envelope. Children **must** post their cards rather than handing them out themselves.

Class 1: Mrs Martin will not be in school on Monday 5th and Tuesday 6th December as she will be attending an EYFS training course. Mrs Verity will be teaching class 1 on these days. Thank you.

Space Odyssey - Voyager Dome

On Wednesday 30th November we had a visit from the 'Space Odyssey' dome. Thank you very much to the PTFA who funded the event - all the children had the opportunity to experience the highly engaging and interactive presentation. The children entered the dome in complete darkness before being shown 360° projections on a range of space related themes. These included Tim Peake on board the International Space Station; our solar system; phases of the moon and eclipses; constellations and they were even challenged to consider the possibility of life on other planets.



The children were enthralled and enthused with many 'Ooh's', 'Aah's' and 'Wow's' heard coming from the dome. Simon, from Space Odyssey balanced interesting, factual knowledge with a lively, entertaining delivery which ensured all the children had a fantastic learning experience.

PTFA Christmas Fete

The PTFA would like to thank all of the children, parents, relatives, staff and Beer residents who attended our 2nd Christmas Fete and helped make it such a huge success. The Mariners' Hall was packed all afternoon and looked very festive. The children especially enjoyed the games, gingerbread stall and face painting and the adults seemed to especially enjoy the teas and cakes with standing room only for most of the afternoon. The afternoon was also a financial success with approximately £600 raised. This will go towards the space dome that visited the school this week, the theatre group that are performing a Christmas play at the school on Wednesday 14th December plus events for the next two terms. The fete would not have been a success without the support of those who attended and those who helped on the day and in the run up. We would especially like to thank:

- Kenworthy & Arbourne Building & Construction for donating the raffle hamper.
- Colyford Butchers for donating the Meat voucher for the guess the name of the turkey game.
- Harris Lets for printing the posters
- Alex Baldwin for creating the poster
- Everyone who donated cakes especially the Bayview Tearooms, the Dolphin Hotel, Mel Adkin, Sophie Flannigan (for her fabulous cupcakes) and Dee Flannigan (for the Christmas cakes).
- Susie and Matt Moore for organising the games.
- Emma Molony for the fabulous face painting .
- Susie Eul-Brown for the brilliant reindeer food and glitter tattoos.
- Anna Vine and Anna Vine for running the gingerbread and decorations stall.
- Helen Muir for her lovely Christmas bunting.
- Mel Manville and Amanda Partridge for providing teas and coffees.
- Sabrina Aris for donating the bikes.
- Steve & Mandy and Mr Evans's Ukulele club for providing the musical entertainment and apologies to the children in the school choir who didn't get to perform - we hope they were not too disappointed.

Thank you for your continued support,

The Beer Staff Team

Community Events & Notices

Saturday December 3rd - 7pm - 'A Christmas Carol' By Charles Dickens at Branscombe Village Hall

Suitable for 8 and up. Tickets: adults £7, children (under 12) £3 - available on the door. Contact: B Farquharson 01297 22925, L Hughes 01297 680369 and D Lamb 01297 680777.

Café Church - Sunday 4th December, 4pm at St Michael's Church

Please join us on the 4th December for our Christmas Cafe Church at St Michael's at 4pm. Some families have asked about doing a shoebox appeal, so we'll be decorating boxes and packing them ready for Open Hearts Open Borders' next delivery to Syria or refugee centres in Europe. If you are able to bring an item or two to contribute either on the day or beforehand, that'd be amazing.

Any of the following would be much appreciated:

new toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, shower gel, shampoo, flannels, but no aerosols), baby essentials
new underwear and socks, scarves, hats, gloves etc., stationery (colouring pencils, sharpeners, pens, paper, but not colouring books), small toys (don't need to be new but in good condition), biscuits or crisps with at least 6 months date stamp, or halal sweets. Nothing please with Peppa Pig on.

It'd be great to be able to make up boxes for children of various ages or mums/babies. I can also take tinned or dry food (vegetarian only) to the collection point.

Here's the website for more details about the charity:

<http://ohob.org.uk/>

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Tuesday 6th December - Puffins Christmas Show, Mariners' Hall

10.00am Coffee and raffle

10.30am - The Show

Friday 9th December - Late Night Shopping - 6-8pm

Family Christmas Disco at the Mariners' Hall - hosted by Rock n Roll Steve. Bar open, Grant's hog roast outside.

Parents/Carers are responsible for their children at all times. Father Christmas and Craft Fayre in the Church 6-8pm.

Sunday 18th December - 4.30pm - Christingle Service at St Michael's Church, Beer

Everyone is invited to attend this service and the school choir will be singing a few songs as well.

All children attending the service are invited to come dressed as their favourite Nativity character and refreshments will be served after the service.

Helping the Foodbank this Christmas

If would be very helpful if we could have any Christmas treats donations by the end of November. Also, why not try a 'Reverse Advent Calendar' - each day you add an item to the box and then just before Christmas donate the contents to a foodbank. Seaton foodbank will not be open on Christmas Eve but you are warmly invited to come along with your Advent gift on Wednesday 21st December to No. 1 (by the traffic lights) 2 - 4pm and enjoy a hot drink and mince pie and meet the foodbank volunteers. More details from Lesley and Stephen 01297 24796.