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"Be kind to one another,
tenderhearted, forgiving one
another" *Ephesians 4:32*

**Our Christian Value in
focus this term is...**

Responsibility

The School Prayer

*This is our school
Let peace dwell here
Let the room be full of contentment
Let love be here
Love of one another
Love of mankind
And love of God
Let us remember
That as many hands build a house
So many hearts make a school*



Beckley Church of England Primary School

School Newsletter

6 December 2019

Big Christmas Sing

The Big Christmas Sing concert brought together primary schools from across Oxfordshire to raise funds for the work of *Christian Aid*. Over the past decade, over £25,000 has been raised through this magical event in the town hall.



The School Choir entertained the 600-strong audience with a rendition of *It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas*, before singing as part of a massed choir with ten other schools. This event always signals the start of the Christmas festivities at Beckley School.

Thank you to Mrs Templeton for preparing the Choir, whose numbers have swelled to almost a third of the school, with the number of boys in attendance more than quadrupling (and proportionally more than any of the other schools who were there!)

Online Safety Ambassadors

Eight Year 6 children received Online Safety Ambassador training, before leading an important discussion about online safety in an assembly. Please find a PowerPoint presentation here:

<https://beckleyschool.com/information/safety/>

Just One Tree

The total from the pupils' donations to the *Just One Tree* initiative was a tremendous £137.80. You can follow the tree planting action here:

<https://www.goldengiving.com/wall/a-forest-planted-by-the-children>

Beauty and the Beast

Full of super singing, dazzling dancing and lashings of slapstick silliness, our whole-school visit to the pantomime at the Oxford Playhouse was well received by staff and children alike.



Thank you to FOBS for their generous contribution, significantly reducing the amount parents were asked to pay.

End-of-Term Arrangements

The last day of term is Thursday 19th December. Please note that we finish at 1.20pm and that there is no After School Club provision on this day. The school bus will depart at 1.20pm.

Best wishes

Mark Szortowski, Headteacher

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Wraparound Care

We provide high quality wraparound care with a wide range of fun activities and play opportunities for the children.

Breakfast Club starts at 8.00am and After School Club runs until 5.30pm.

The clubs are run by school and conform to all of our policies and procedures.

Any child who comes to Beckley school is welcome to attend wraparound care.

Places are restricted for the children's safety and to ensure adequate staffing.

Bookings for both Breakfast Club and After School Club should be made via *Bookwhen*. Places must be booked in advance, by the day before at the latest.

Please use this link:

<https://bookwhen.com/beckleyschool#focus=ev-s8o4-20190723080000>



COMING SOON...

Carol Service

The Carol service for children in Skylark and Hobby Classes will take place in Church at 6pm on Tuesday 10th December. The Choir will also be performing at this event. Mulled wine and mince pies for adults will be served from 5.30pm in exchange for a voluntary donation to FOBS. All are welcome to attend.

Nativity and Christmas Bazaar

The Nativity for pupils in Tufted Duck, Little Egret and Lapwing Classes will take place in Church at 2.15pm on Wednesday 11th December. This will be followed by the FOBS Christmas Bazaar back at school from 3.30pm – 4.30pm.

Christmas Jumper Day

Our annual Christmas Jumper Day this year takes place on Friday 13th December. Pupils are welcome to wear a festive jumper to school, bringing a suggested donation of £1 for the charity *Save the Children*.

Christmas Lunch

Children in Reception to Year 3 will have their Christmas lunch on Tuesday 17th December. Year 4 to Year 6 pupils will enjoy their lunch on Wednesday 18th December. The booking process will be the same as usual. Children should have a packed lunch on the day that they are not having Christmas lunch, which can now only be provided by the school kitchen if you have already pre-booked.

Important Dates

December

- 10th Carol Service in Church for Skylarks and Hobbies 6pm
- 11th Nativity in Church for Tufted Ducks, Little Egrets and Lapwings 2.15pm
- 11th FOBS Christmas Bazaar 3.30-4.30pm
- 12th Governing Body meeting
- 13th Christmas Jumper day - funds for *Save the Children*
- 13th KS1 Street Party
- 13th Church Workshop 3.30pm
- 17th Christmas lunch for pupils in Reception - Year 3
- 18th Christmas lunch for pupils in Years 4 - 6
- 18th Interim Reports published
- 19th Break up today at 1.20pm

January

- 6th INSET day – school closed
- 7th Children back to school
- 13th NSPCC assembly
- 16th Swimming Gala
- 20th NSPCC fundraiser
- 22nd FOBS meeting in hall 8pm
- 28th Headteacher's Surgery 4-6

February

- 10th Parent Consultations 3.30-6.30pm
- 12th Parent Consultations 3.30-6.30pm
- 14th Break up today at 3.20pm
- HALF TERM 17th – 21st February
- 24th Children back to school

Please note: the information above is accurate at this time, but may be subject to change.