

# The Blue Letter: 16th December 2022



Learning, Loving, Growing,  
Together with God.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for all the generous Christmas gifts, we really appreciate them, the staff room treat cupboard is overflowing!

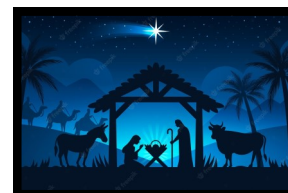
Please read the letter from the local authority that has been sent out with The Blue Letter this week. It explains the increase in the cost of school meals for parents who order and pay for their child's meals. This price increase is what is now charged to the school to cover the cost of infant free schools or means tested free school meals. If we are currently ordering meals for your child and they no longer wish to have them, please let the office know rather than just sending in a packed lunch. School will still be charged for the meal and the food will be wasted. It is not possible to order meals on some days and not on others.

Outdoor learning for the first half of the spring term is for Year 1. Sessions take place on Thursdays 12th, 19th, 26th January. 2nd and 9th February. Children need to bring in a change of clothes suitable for getting dirty. They need long legged trousers and long sleeved tops. Trainers or wellingtons are the best footwear. The children will also need a coat. Sessions take place unless the weather is really heavy rain or high winds and clothing needs to be suitable for spending the afternoon outside.

Well done to Blue House Team for being awarded the most team points this half term! Hopefully they've enjoyed their non-uniform day today.

When we return in January, can I remind you to ensure you are following all the school uniform requirements. Jewellery and nail varnish should not be worn. Long hair should be tied back every day. Hairbands should not have large decorations or huge bows, please try to restrict the range of colours to those that match the uniform. Children should be wearing school shoes and bringing trainers to change for PE not wearing trainers to school. The holidays is also a good time to check that you have all the correct items that belong to your child. Please check name labels and re label anything where the name has come off. Thank you for your cooperation with ensuring your child is dressed appropriately for school.

Finally, all the staff, and Oakley, wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



## Diary

Monday 2nd January	<b>Bank Holiday</b>
Tuesday 3rd January	<b>INSET Day</b>
Wednesday 4th January	Fox Class PE
Thursday 5th January	Owl class PE Squirrel Class PE
Friday 6th January	Squirrel Class PE

## New Year Disco

The School Discos takes place on Friday 13th January.

Squirrel Class 5pm-6pm.

Fox and Owl Class 6pm-7pm.

Ticket for the Disco went on sale on Monday 12th December. They will be available from Becca Wingate (Scarlett's Mum) and cost £6 per child and include a snack and a drink.

### Well Done Freya!

Freya completed her 5k fundraising run last night. She ran across 2 evenings, running 3k Tuesday with her Dad and the 2k last night with her sister's football team and Bognor Women FC supporting her on her final lap. She's raised £325 so far for patients with Bone Cancer! If you would like to sponsor Freya you can do so via this link [https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/freya-billy5k?utm\\_source=copyLink&utm\\_medium=fundraising&utm\\_content=freya-billy5k&utm\\_campaign=pfp-share&utm\\_term=06ac6baad1ae407b8f34154400f1a884](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/freya-billy5k?utm_source=copyLink&utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=freya-billy5k&utm_campaign=pfp-share&utm_term=06ac6baad1ae407b8f34154400f1a884)



### Dear Santa

Squirrel Class had a great time at the Theatre on Tuesday seeing Dear Santa. WE were even lucky enough to have a couple of children chosen to go onto the stage and dance with Santa and his Elf. Thank you to the Friends of Boxgrove School for paying for this trip.



### Football Tournament

On Tuesday, children from Owl Class took part in the Small Schools Football tournament at The Arena. Mrs Scott and Mr Rogers were really impressed with the children's teamwork, perseverance and sportsmanship as they took on matches against teams from 10 other schools from our area. Overall, the team won 3 of their 6 games and came second out of the small schools that competed, which was an amazing achievement especially in the cold weather!





## Christmas Craft Day



Christmas craft day was a great success. It's lovely to watch the children work with other members of their house team.

## Achievers

Well done to all our achievers this week:



Well done to Elsie for winning a Blue Peter badge.



Squirrel Class: Maxwell, Chloe, Elanya, Arham and Sebastian

Fox Class: Isla, Freddie, Xanthe, Elsie

Owl Class: Gracie, Eli, Elodie, Teddy and Daniel

