

Beacon View Primary News



Dear Beacon View Families

It was lovely to see everyone come together last Friday to celebrate the life of Lisa Barron. I am always so proud of how our extended school family works in partnership for these events. It was also lovely to see some of our adults at the Healthier Living for Paulsgrove event at St M's on Tuesday evening. We are working with other community groups and organisations to ensure that our families are getting access to all the services and support they need and deserve. Feel free to have a catch up with me on the gate if you want to hear more.

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Sally Hodgson Principal



Thank you

A huge thank you to everyone who got involved with our fundraising day last week. Lisa's family were on site in the morning and



were really touched by the effort everyone has gone to. Together we raised a huge £730 to be split between Rowan Hospice and Macmillan. Thank you. We did Lisa and all those whose lives have been touched by cancer proud.





Arbor Roll Out - Going Cashless

What is happening at Beacon View?

We will be going cashless after the October half term. All payments for clubs, water bottles, badges etc will need to be made through Arbor.



If you have any issues with access to Arbor, please do speak to the office.



Bikeability for Year 6

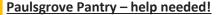
Please can all Year 6 families keep an eye out for emails about



the Bikeability programme which will take place after October half term. Places will be allocated first come, first served and you will need to access the link to book directly with Bikeability.

Cheltenham Road entrance

Please can we ask everyone to help with keeping our children safe at the start and end of the day. Please do not drive through the Cheltenham Road entrance at these times. This is potentially dangerous for children who are walking through and causes problems with our neighbours at the Family hub and the Schools Library Service.



The Paulsgrove Pantry based at the Community Centre are in need of volunteers. If you can help they would love to hear from you, feel free to pop in at the com-



munity Centre or let us know in school and we can pass on your details. They are particularly looking for help on Mondays between 4 and 6 pm or Thursdays between 11 am and 1 pm. Please do help if you can.

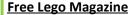
Christmas Budgeting Workshop

On Thursday 12th October, Paulsgrove
Baptist Church are hosting a <u>Christmas</u>

<u>Budgeting Workshop</u> for anyone in the

community to attend. It will take place from 1-3pm,

and no booking is required. We have attached a poster to this newsletter.



Follow the following link to get a free Lego life magazine. Perfect for children aged 5-9. This magazine is printed and sent straight to your door four times a year for free.







































Edible Kitchen Garden

Thank you to everyone who has donated items to help with the development of our kitchen garden. The amazon list is still live if anyone knows someone who would like to help. The gardener, Julie is now coming to school every Thursday afternoon. We have been reminding the children not to pick things or pull things up unless they are with a member of the gardening team and have been instructed to do so.



Household Support Fund - Family Voucher Scheme

tected against catching measles, mumps and rubella.

The Family Voucher scheme was launched on Wednesday 27th September and eligible families that didn't qualify for a supermarket voucher from their school last term (i.e. between June and September) can now apply for a £70 supermarket voucher per eligible child. This includes any families with eligible children who have just started in Reception



(or other year groups) who did not register for FSM in time to receive a voucher from school last term. In order to qualify, total household earned income, in the month before applying, needs to be £1,350 or less.

Families can find out more information and how to apply at www.portsmouth.gov.uk/household-support. Applications can be made online or by ringing the dedicated HSF helpline 023 9268 8010. Applications must be received by 24th November 2023, although the scheme may close earlier if all funds have been given out.

MMR Vaccines.

Over 102,000 children in primary school in England are at risk of catching measles. With millions of children across the country back to school, NHS England is urging parents to check that their children are up to date with their MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella) vaccinations in the wake of measles cases rising across the country. Childhood vaccination rates have fallen over the past ten years and this week statistics show that over 102,000 children aged four and five years olds in reception are not pro-



Measles is highly infectious and if left unvaccinated nine out of ten children in a classroom can catch the disease if just one child is infectious.

If you are unsure if you or your child are up to date, check your child's red book or GP records and make an appointment to catch up any missed doses.

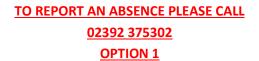
For more information on the NHS vaccination schedule, please visit: https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/ vaccinations/nhs-vaccinations-and-when-to-have-them/?msclkid=9df15083b5ab11ec890d081689933c03

Our pupils in the community

Last week, it was reported that Beacon View children were involved in "cherry knocking" on people's doors. They were knocking on doors and then running away. As we come up to Halloween, please can we all talk to the children about



keeping themselves and everyone else safe. Unless someone has decorated their house, we would strongly recommend that the children do not go to other houses. For someone alone at home, anyone knocking on their door in an evening can be frightening and we can't predict how someone will react when they are scared. Please help us to keep everyone safe. We have spoken to Year 5 and 6 about this following assembly this week.



Attendance Statistics

We aim for all children to be in school every day. Each week a certificate for the best class attendance will be given out. Congratulations to Landport who achieved 98.2%

Advice Portsmouth start opening up at Beacon View

On 18th October 9am to 11am, Advice Portsmouth will be using the Sunflower Room to provide support and advice to our BV family. We know that it has been felt that services aren't always available in Paulsgrove, so we have partnered up to bring the services to you. If you want a individual appointment, we can help you book one, or you can drop in at 9 am. Access will be via Marsden Road, just select the Sunflower (Family) room from the drop down menu and you will be buzzed in.



Family Links Course starting Monday 30th October 2023

We are really excited to start recruitment for our first Family Links course at Beacon View. The first session will be a shorter introduction and sign up session, however we are keen to get an idea of those who might be interested.

The sessions will run for 2 hours a week on a Monday afternoon between 1 and 3 pm in the Sunflower Room at Beacon View. The course is ten weeks long and you need to be able to attend all ten weeks to get the most from the sessions.

Harvest Festival

On Monday Father Hugo and Miss Williams will be doing an assembly on Harvest. During the assembly they will



ask the children, if at all possible to donate a tin of food towards our harvest collection. If you and your family are in a position to support this, please arrange for your child to bring in their one tin next week and take to class. For me, this means a sort through the cupboards at home to find the things that Mr Hodgson has now decided he doesn't like eating, probably the tinned rice pudding. Maybe you could do the same.

Playground supervision in mornings and evenings.



Thank you to all those adults who supervise their children before school or

afterschool on the playground equipment, until the doors open we are unable to be responsible for children on the school site.

Christmas meal



We will again be running our Community Christmas Meal on Friday 22nd December.

We are currently in the planning stages and are looking for local businesses who might support us to put this on at free of charge. We are hoping to feed 300 people this year. If you know someone who would like to support this lovely community event, please

contact <u>school@beaconviewprimary.co.uk</u> and we will get in touch. Details for booking will be out in November.

Nasal Flu Spray

You can now book your childs Flu Spray Vaccine





Dates for your diary



Thursday 12th October – Year R Fluoride varnish

Monday 16th October – Year R, 1 & 2 bedtime stories session

Monday 23rd to Friday 27th October – Half Term

Thursday 2nd November — Nasal Flu Vaccination spray

Thursday 9th November 2023 4pm-6pm — Open Evening for Reception places

Friday 10th November – Year 4,5 & 6 – Meet the Author

Monday 13th November – Year 3 and 4 bedtime stories session

Friday 17th November – Children in Need

Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th November — Parents Evenings

Dates to be confirmed for — EYFS/KS1 Nativity and Year 5 and 6 Carol Service

Friday 15th December 2023 – End of school term and Winter Fayre

Friday 22nd December 2023 – Beacon View hosts the 2nd Annual Community Christmas lunch.





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Christmas Budgeting



Make the Christmas preparation a breeze by improving your budgeting skills. Take the stress out of this holiday season.

Taking place

Thursday 12th October 13:00—15:00

This workshop will take place at

Paulsgrove Baptist Church, 1 Woofferton Rd, Portsmouth, PO6 4DW

For more information please call Dave Aarons: 02392 385047

or email dave.aarons@paulsgrove.org.uk







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Thursday 12th October



If you would like some crime prevention advice, to share your worries or just to meet your local team then we are hosting a family friendly event

We will be at Marsden road from 3pm-5pm

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING TEAM



Get crime prevention advice and tell us your policing priorities.

Report crimes online, visit www.hampshire.police.uk
For crime and community information www.hampshirealert.co.uk
Deaf? Non-emergency text 07781 480999





