Latest News

**Christmas shoebox appeal**

We have had a lovely response to the Christmas Shoe box appeal so far! But we would still love more donations if possible. The shoeboxes can be filled with special Christmas treats or items such as school supplies, colouring pens and paper, hairbrushes, toothbrushes, hats, scarves, small puzzles and toys. These items will be so important to the children who receive your boxes and will mean so very much.

*If you wish to participate, can we please ask for your shoe boxes to be brought into the school office by November 13th at the very latest.*

**English workshop – date amendment**

In last week’s newsletter we advertised the English workshop as being held on 14th November. This date has been changed to **Tuesday 21st November.** Apologies for the inconvenience, we hope you can still attend.

**Wear something SPOTTY! - 17th November**

Next Friday is Children in Need Day. It will be a non-uniform day where we will be asking everyone to wear something spotty for a £1 donation! We will be playing lots of fun games throughout the day too for just 10p a go! Please try and bring in as many 10p’s as possible!

**Katy’s Garden**

Please walk on the path alongside Katy’s Garden, rather than on the grass. This area, adjacent to the hall, is maintained as a tranquil space of peace in memory of former pupil, Katy Hickman. Katy sadly passed away in 2000 due to a battle with cancer and the school keeps this garden as a memorial to her. We ask children and Parents to treat this area with care. Thank you.
**Cycle to Santa**
We will be taking part in a special ‘Cycle to Santa’ scheme, with assistance from Derek Smulders from Sustrans. To launch this event, we will be holding a special Breakfast for everyone who cycles, scoots or walks into school on 23rd November. Watch this space for more exciting information!

**Bags2School**
Just to let you know our recent Bags2school collection weighed in at a massive 230kg! The same weight as a cubic metre of fresh fallen snow. A Cheque for £92 is on its way! Not bad for a few bags of old clothes and this year’s collection was 40% more than last year!

**Achievements of the week**

**Katy Hickman Cup (for kind deeds):** Steffi Oprescu

**Writer of the week:** Oliver Hucker (Bobcats), Maisie Cheeseman (Lynx), Alex Tearle (1D), Corbon Harrison-Forsyth (1CG), Freddie Huntington (2O), Keelin Rickett (2T), Nelly Baran (3B), Alex Wytwer (3J), Conor Caruana (4LB), Emily Irwin (4GB) *(The students’ work can be seen on display in the hall)*

**Mathematician of the week:** Harry Shipp (Bobcats), Brooke Francis-Jones (Lynx), Louisa-May McCormick (1D), Henry Debrick (1CG), Owen Wilsher (2T), Elizabeth Tooman (2O), Matthew Allen (3J), Grace King (3C), Yasmin Gambier (4GB), Neve Barton (4LB), Jessica Ewers (4LB), Maisie Hall (4LB). *(The students’ work can be seen on display in the hall)*

**Challenge Champions:** Maisie Cheeseman (Lynx), Casey Reed (Bobcats), Maddison Chapman (1CG), Noah Chapman (1D), Scarlett Thorne (2T), Maisie Woodiwiss (2O), Cameron Gibbons (3J), Amber Darling (3C), Robert McAndrew (4GB), Jake Cocks (4LB).
Mrs Pearce and All of the staff are very proud of you!

**Finer Diners:** The school would like to recognise good behaviour and manners during lunch times. The children who are awarded a Finer Diner sticker will be able to sit at a very special table with Mrs Pearce at Friday lunchtimes!

Our Finer Diners were: Nathan Jones, Harrison Newman, Beau Jones, Kyron-Chase Vincent, Ashlee Riches, Chloe Hill, Matthew Allen, Lily Woodiwiss.

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**Handy Dates**

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**TERM DATES:**

Autumn Term: 4th September - 19th December
Half term break week beginning 23rd October
Returning back to school on 31st October (Training day on the 30th)
School breaks for Christmas on 19th December
Returning to school on 3rd January 2018 (Training day 2nd January)

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**Little reminders!**

**Change of contact details/address**
If you have changed your address or phone number recently, please let the school office know your new details. Thank you.

**Absences/lateness**
Can all parents ensure that all absences are reported to the School Office by 9.30am on the day of absence. It is also very important for the school to know if your child is sick, or if they have a medical appointment. If your child arrives into school late (after 8.45am), Parents are asked to please bring their child to the school office.

**PE Kit**
Can we remind all Parents that the children’s PE kits need to be in school at the start of every week and should go home with the children on a Friday. It is vital that the children have a full kit in school as we do not have enough spare kits for everyone to use.
Swimming

*All children will need to bring in suitable swim wear and towels and everyone will need to wear a swim hat.* Swim hats will be available to purchase from the school office at £1.00 each. Earrings should be removed before swimming.

School Lunches

Ordering and paying for school lunches is now done on [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com). Parents should have received letters that features login details. You can order your child’s school dinner by **8am on the day**. If you have any queries please call 01908 615705.

Changes to Breakfast Club and After School Club

Advance bookings for both the **Breakfast club and After School Club** need to be made online at [www.tfgcamps.com](http://www.tfgcamps.com) on the ‘Beaudesert page’. For same day bookings please can Parents email kidzzone@tfgcamps.com or call the office on 0845 366 4227 (between 9am and 3pm). Please note a parent/guardian must complete a ‘Kidz Zone child registration form’ either online via the website or with a member of the Kidz Zone team for the booking to be accepted – this information is required to meet Ofsted regulations.

School bags /keyrings

It has been brought to our attention that children are beginning to bring in individual school bags, many of which do not fit into children’s drawers or on pegs. Please encourage your child to use their Beaudesert school bag. Also key rings are causing concern to teachers. These are getting stuck in trays and are causing arguments amongst the children. Please refrain from bringing these into school.

Bikes and Scooters

Please can everyone remember to dismount bikes and scooters whilst on the school grounds, as accidents can occur on pathways at busy times.

Car Parking

Just a reminder for some parents when parking outside of the School that it is very important to park as considerately as possible. Parents and carers dropping their children off at school should not be parking on pavements. Car number plates may be reported to the Police if this continues to happen. Can parents also remember that parking in the Staff car park or the Kitchen car park is also not permitted. Thank you.