St Blasius Shanklin C of E Primary School Academy Trust



NEWSLETTER NO. 15 - 20th December 2013

This is our last newsletter for 2013.

We would like to take the opportunity to wish you all a very happy Christmas and best wishes for 2014.

We look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 6th January 2014

Nativity at St Blasius Church

The Nativity at St Blasius Church last Sunday was brilliant!

It formed part of the Christening Service of Theo, son of Annalise Jerram, an ex-pupil of the school, and grandson of Mrs Jerram, a member of our staff. That connection made the whole service very special.

A big thank you to all pupils who gave up their Sunday morning to take part, and to parents for their support.

Achievement Awards

This Half-Term's Achievement Awards go to:

Class RM: Lucy Hilson

Class 1W: Adam Farley

Class 2J: Caitlin Diffey

Class 3P: Amerie Johnson

Class 4J: Lennon Johnson

Class 55: Isaac Lethbridge

Class 6P: Katelyn Pearson

Teacher: Ms C Fox

This Term's Bradley Grace Award

for consistent good behaviour and consistent effort go to:

Alysha Ford David Skeet

Well done everyone for their hard work!

Christmas Party

A HUGE thank you for all the food donated for the children's Christmas party. It was very generous and ensured the tea party was a great success.

Goodbye and Hello!

We were all very sad to say goodbye to Mrs Matthews, and are grateful for all the support she has given the school this term.

Also goodbye and thank you to Mrs Jackson for all her hard work with Year 4, and our best wishes for the future.

A big welcome to Mr Stephens who will be joining us after Christmas as interim Executive Headteacher. He will be with us on Mondays and Wednesdays and we look forward to working with him.

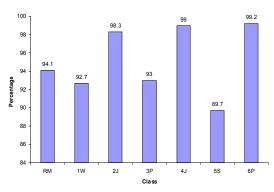
Portsmouth Cathedral

On Friday 6th December Year 4 travelled by train and fastcat to Portsmouth Cathedral for a celebration of St Nicholas. At the cathedral they learnt about St Nicholas, who was a Turkish Bishop who traditionally wore green. They had a fantastic day, learning several carols and taking part in a short service. Some of the children met the Bishop of Portsmouth, Bishop Christopher, who will be visiting our school in January.

Attendance

Whole School attendance from $1^{\rm st}$ September: 96%

Individual Year Group attendance for the week ending 13^{th} December was:



Congratulations to Year 6 for the best attendance with 99.2 %.

Congratulations to the following children who have achieved 100% attendance from 1^{st} September to Friday 13^{th} December:

Elisha Arnold, Ellie Baker, Chloe Barnes, Jayden Barry, Olivia Bell, William Black,
Jessica Brett, Charlotte Brittan, Grace Chapman, Dillon Churches, Megan Copsey, Caitlin
Diffey, Fearn and Harrison Ellis, Jack Evans, Niall Farrelly, Charles Hatch, Max Henley,
Aleesha Hurlstone, Amerie Johnson, Lennon Johnson, Hannah Jupe, Riley King,
Alan Kubacki, Jack Lee, Isaac Lethbridge, Rosemary Marshall, Dennis McCluskey,
Ella McLaughlin, Albert and Tristan Northard, Kayla Orchard, Leona Ould, Harrison Payne,
Katelyn Pearson, Alfie and Olly Pease, Angel Perkins, Harvey Scott, David Skeet,
Lily Smith, Korban Staples, Jamie Trowbridge, Paul and Scott Wilkinson, Zoe Willmott,
Poppy-Ann Wittman

Menu - Week commencing 6th January 2014

Monday: Main - Sausages with mashed potatoes and gravy, or Vegetable Chilli

with rice, broccoli and sweetcorn, Tomato and cucumber salsa.

Dessert - Sultana shortcake with milk.

Tuesday: Main - Beef burgers or Quorn roast with roast or mashed potatoes,

carrots and green beans, vegetable sticks. Dessert - flapjack with

custard or fresh fruit.

Wednesday: Main - Tuna pasta bake or Cheese and tomato pizza with jacket potato,

new potatoes, Coleslaw, sweetcorn, Carrot and Sultana salad.

Dessert - Chocolate and apricot brownie.

Thursday: Main - Roast turkey with roast potatoes, gravy, sweet potato and

Cheese parcels, cabbage and swede, Vegetable sticks. Dessert -

Cornflake Tart

Friday: Main - Fish fingers and chips, baked beans, peas, apple and celery salad.

Dessert - Iced bun

Important Dates for 2014

Monday 6th January 2014 - First day of Spring Term

Monday 13th January 2014 - Opening ceremony by Bishop of Portsmouth

Monday 13th January 2014 - 1st swimming lesson for Year 3

Friday 31st January 2014 - Staff development day - school closed to children

Monday 3rd February 2014 - Celebration of Academy Status, Thanksgiving Service - details to follow

Monday 3rd February 2014 - Second instalment due for Year 6 trip

Monday 3rd February 2014 - View your childs work

Saturday 15th February 2014 - Sunday 23rd February - Spring Half Term

Wednesday 5th March 2014 - Final instalment due for Year 5 trip

Wednesday 2nd April 2014 - Final instalment due for Year 6 trip

Saturday 5th April 2014 - Monday 21st April - Easter Holidays

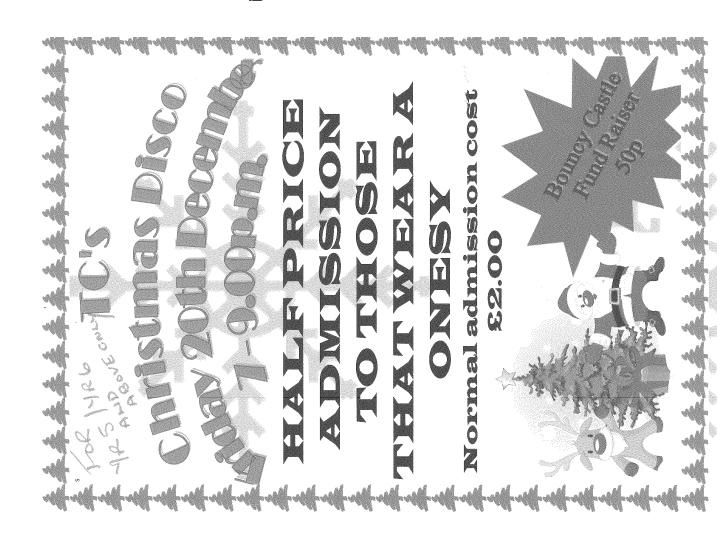
Monday 5th May 2014 - May Day Holiday

Saturday 24th May 2014 - Sunday 1st June Spring Half Term

Friday 27th June 2014 - Staff development day - school closed to children

Wednesday 23rd July 2014 - last day of summer term 2014

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Isle of Wight Individual Sportshall Challenge

Year 3 and 4 Boys and Girls

Following the success of the year 4/5/6 sportshall challenge we would like to offer the <u>years 3 and 4 boys and girls</u> the same opportunity.

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At Medina Leisure Centre, Fairlee Rd, Newport in the Sportshall Venue:

Entry is by email and entry forms are obtainable by e-mailing a request to: jowsportshall@gmail.com How to Enter:

Entries must be returned to the above email address

£2.00 per session, payable on the day Cost:

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Girls Events: 25 January and 8 February 2014

Registration 10.45 am

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Event Times are 11.00am to 1.00pm

Boys Events: 1 February and 15 February 2014

Registration 10.45 am Event Times are 11.00am to 1-00pm

This will be an individual competition with all 10 events needing to be completed, receive a Certificate and Badge for the level they achieve, these will be sent to points will be awarded for your events on a computer based programme. All your scores over the two days to count for the final result. Each athlete will our school for presentation.

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You will be given opportunities to improve on your weaker events, throughout the two sessions. Any questions please e-mail <u>iowsportshall@gmail.com</u> or ring 07976 009 352

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