



# South Benfleet Primary School

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## News & What's coming up

### Christmas Dinner

The School will be having their Christmas Dinner on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December. The menu is overleaf. The cost for this will be **£2.50** and is payable in the usual way through your dinner money account on ParentPay. Please note the cost only applies to Key Stage 2 children; EYFS and Key Stage 1 children do not have to pay.

### Christmas Cards

The Christmas postbox has arrived in school for children to post their Christmas cards in. Can you please ensure that ALL cards have the recipient's first name, surname and class written on the envelope. Unfortunately if the first name alone is on the card it will not reach the person it was meant for.

### Key Stage 2 Christmas Carol Service

This is take place at St Mary's Church on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December. The service for Years 3 & 4 will take place at 10.30am and the service for Years 5 & 6 will take place at 1.45pm. Please ensure you return your ticket request slips to the office.

**Year 3** – Could children please bring in a 500g bag of white rice and a plain white sport sock for our Christmas project. More info to follow.

**Year 6** – Help is needed with our cross stitch next week. A letter with reply slip was sent home earlier this week.

## What's on next week

### Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December

9.30-10.30: EYFS & KS1 Nativity to Parents  
pm: EYFS visit from Magician

### Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December

9.30-10.30: EYFS & KS1 Nativity to Parents  
2-3: EYFS & KS1 Nativity to Parents

### Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December

Early Years – Non-uniform day and party day  
10.30-11.30: Yrs 3&4 Carol Service at St Mary's Church  
1.45-2.45: Yrs 5&6 Carol Service at St Mary's Church

### Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Dinner Day  
am: School Choir singing at Stafford Hall Care Home  
pm: School Choir singing at Hopes Green Care Home

## Future dates for your diary

The dates below are for your information only – full details of events will be sent via a separate letter or mentioned in the main weekly newsletter.

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December - School discos (not Early Years)

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Touring Pantomime visits school

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Christmas Parties & Non-uniform

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – Back to school

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February – Parents Forum Coffee morning

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February – Open evening 4-7pm

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February – Open evening 5.30-8.30pm

## Homework Reminders

**Year 6** – Change to homework this week. Please see note in learning log.

**Year 3** – Homework is on Active Learn

**Year 2** – Handwriting, spellings and online maths

**Year 1** – Online maths. Phonics books due in next Thursday

Don't forget to read at least 4 times a week as well and do your Times Table Rockstars.

## Star of the Week

Well done to the following children who are Stars of the Week

Yr6 Gold class – Isabelle  
Yr6 Green class – Harvey  
Yr5 White class – Paige  
Yr5 Silver class – Maya  
Yr4 Red class – Jasmin  
Yr4 Bronze class – Carter  
Yr3 Aqua class – Ben  
Yr3 Purple class – Olivia  
Yr2 Lime class – Callie  
Yr2 Ruby class – Maisie  
Yr1 Blue class – Albie  
Yr1 Yellow class – Bobby  
EY Jade class – Corey  
EY Amber class – Mason



Well done and keep up the good work.

## Reading

Well done to all classes who had the following number of children who read **at home** at least 4 times this week and were entered into the Reading Record Reward Pot:

Gold – 28  
Green – 26  
White – 20  
Silver – 22  
Red – 22  
Bronze – 21  
Aqua – 20  
Purple – 20  
Lime – 22  
Ruby – 19  
Blue – 20  
Yellow – 21  
Jade – 23  
Amber – 19



## Rock Heroes this week

Well done to the following children who are Times Table Rockstar Rock Heroes this week

Gold class – Lucas (Mrs Watson's Maths set)  
Green class – Daisy (Miss Farrell's Maths set)  
White class – Serhan  
Silver class – Henry  
Red class – George  
Bronze class – Millie  
Aqua class – Connie  
Purple class – Sasha

Well done and keep up the good work.



## Attendance – w/e Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December

The **Key Stage 1** class with the best attendance is **Blue** Class. Their attendance was **96%**

The **Key Stage 2** class with the best attendance is **Purple** Class. Their attendance was **97.7%**

Other Key Stage 1 attendance is as follows:

Yellow Class – 93%  
 Ruby Class – 92.7%  
 Jade Class – 92.6%  
 Lime Class – 89.7%  
 Amber Class – 84.4%

Other Key Stage 2 attendance is as follows:

Purple Class – 98%  
 Gold Class – 96%  
 Aqua Class – 95.9%  
 Green Class – 94.3%  
 Silver Class – 93.3%  
 White Class – 92.7%  
 Bronze Class – 90.7%  
 Red Class – 87.7%

## PTA News

### School Discos

These will be taking place on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December. Letters will be sent home shortly with further details but information for your diaries is as follows:

Years 1 & 2 – 3.30 – 5.00pm

Juniors – 6 – 7.30pm

### Letters sent home this week

**Early Years** – We sent home Christmas song words for the play

### House Points

House points are awarded to KS2 children for good behaviour, good work, helping others, being kind and good manners.

#### Points earned this week

Raleigh	25
Drake	22
Wellington	20
Nelson	14

## Don't Forget!

**Early Years** – Non-uniform day is Thursday. This is also our party day. Please bring in one item of food as per separate letter sent home today (Friday 9<sup>th</sup>).

**Early Years** – Please remember to put your child's word card back in their book bags after they practice.

Don't Forget



### Cold Weather

Now that the weather has turned cold, could you please ensure that all children wear a coat to school.

### Severe Weather- possible school closures

If we have severe weather i.e snow, extremely low temperatures, flood, heating problems etc. we will always try and stay open providing it is safe and sensible to do so and enough staff can get into work by a reasonable time. (NB some staff come from quite a distance!) We will use Parentmail, Heart Essex / BBC Essex, the school website and Twitter to announce any closures and reopenings. (Please ensure we have your latest email and mobile phone number.) Please remind your children that if the school has to close suddenly, or at any time there is no one to meet them, they must not go home alone from the playground but come into school where we will make arrangements for them.

## Menu for next week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday CHANGE TO TODAY'S MENU	Thursday	Friday CHRISTMAS DINNER DAY
Sausage	Build Your Own Burger	Harry Ramsden Fish Fillet	Home Made Meatballs In A Rich And Rustic Tomato & Basil Sauce	Roast Turkey Sausage & Onion Stuffing
Quorn Sausage	Build Your Own Quorn Burger	Cheese Quiche	Quorn Meatballs In A Rich And Rustic Tomato & Basil Sauce	Vegetarian Option
Creamy Mashed Potatoes	Herby Diced Potatoes	Chips	Spaghetti	Roast Potatoes
Beans Crusty Bread	Sweetcorn / Salad Bar	Peas / Salad Bar Crusty Bread	Sweetcorn	Choice of Vegetables Gravy
Flapjack	Marble Slice	Ice Cream	Sponge with Custard	Choice of Mincemeat Tart & Custard Vanilla Ice Cream Star Chocolate Covered Ice Cream

## Christmas Parties – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December

On our last day of term, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 children will be having their Christmas parties. The children will be allowed to come into school in non-uniform. Please note EYFS party is next week on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>.

It would be appreciated if you could send in ONE packet of party food that can be shared out and eaten at the party. For example, one box of cakes, OR one packet of biscuits OR one tube of Pringles. After the party any food that is not eaten will be thrown away, so please don't send in too much! Please do not send in anything until the morning of 21<sup>st</sup> December and note we cannot accept anything that will need refrigerating. We would appreciate it if you did not send in any food that contains nuts or traces of nuts which could trigger off any allergies. You do not need to send in any drinks, as the school will provide this. In addition to the party, your child will be able to bring a game to school to share with friends and/or a dvd. Please ensure the game is in a named carrier bag. Also please do not allow the children to bring anything of sentimental or monetary value as they will be responsible for looking after it. (Please note, no computer games)