



Newsletter Friday 20th December 2024

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Key dates:

Monday 6th January - Inset day

Tuesday 7th January - Back to school

Tuesday 7th January - Year 6 WW2 Immersion Day

Wednesday 15th January - Primary School New Starter Admissions Deadline

House Point Results

Winning House

Goodwood

Cowdray Parham

585

540

Goodwood Petworth

663

560

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a joyous end to the Autumn term with much merriment and festive cheer. Years 3, 4 and 5 wowed parents and friends with their Bah Humbug performance; it was truly humbling to see how they all performed with such enthusiasm. Discussions have already started for next year's show!

Year 6 ran a civilised Christmas soiree with a lantern procession, disco and mulled wine (for parents). Thank you all for joining us to celebrate Christmas.

Wednesday marked pantomime day at the Hawth in Crawley. All enjoyed Jack and the Beanstalk and the pantomime slapstick and audience participation. We had a special thank you from the theatre who said we had been one of the most organised and respectful groups visiting - no mean feat with a whole school visit! Thanks to everyone who helped to make this day possible.

Congratulations to Mr Hampson who will join the senior leadership team at Billingshurst Primary as Assistant Headteacher. We are thrilled to welcome Tom to the leadership team and know his expertise and enthusiasm will further strengthen the team.

Please keep an eye on our Facebook page over the Christmas holiday as our wonderful teachers will be sharing their favourite Christmas stories! Videos will be posted so your children can enjoy a festive story everyday before bed. We hope you enjoy!

Thank you all for your support and care for BPA, it has been a fantastic term and the feeling of community amongst families, staff and children has been brilliant.

Have a very Merry Christmas and we will see you in 2025!

Ms Ley



Billingshurst Primary Academy



Christmas
Storytime



Year 3,4 and 5 - Bah Humbug!

Wow, what a show!! We were so proud of our Year 3, 4 and 5 children for their fantastic performance of Bah Humbug! Over 270 children shared the story and songs of Ebenezer Scrooge with more than 500 family and friends. All the children were incredible! Thank you for all the amazing comments on our school Facebook page. [CLICK HERE](#) or scan the QR code to watch our highlights video!



Year 6 Lantern Light Trail

On Thursday evening, Year 6 lit up Billingshurst on their lantern trail around the village. They carefully designed and crafted their willow structures during DT lessons and they looked fantastic on the night! Afterwards, they partied and danced away during their Christmas disco, whilst parents enjoyed mulled wine and mince pies.

A big thank you to the PTA for their support and sweet treats for the children!



Christmas Lunch



Pantomime! - "Oh yes we did!"

The whole school enjoyed a FANTASTIC trip to The Hawth on Wednesday to watch Jack and the Beanstalk! The children were an amazing audience and had a great time!



Church Visit

Thank you to the School Council and our local Church Leaders for leading a very festive Christmas service at the church. The School Counselors lead the service and share the Christmas story beautifully.



BPA Bees - Thank you for all your support of our various fundraisers over the festive period! We are pleased to announce the totals raised:

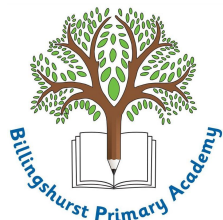
 Christmas Decoration Night - over £400

 Christmas Cards - nearly £900

 Christmas Trug Raffle - almost £2,400

**Save the date* We will be holding another quiz night on Friday 7th March. More details to follow in the new year.*

Chair of Governors - And so the long and busy autumn term draws to a close! I am sure your children will have had a very tiring but exciting week in a whirlwind of Christmas activities, including the whole school trip to the pantomime! The Governing Body would like to wish all our families a very happy and healthy Christmas break. We look forward to welcoming you back at the beginning of January.



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