



# NEWSLETTER

30<sup>th</sup> November 2012

## AUTUMN IN THE PARK



Year 2 enjoyed a trip to Clarence Park for their autumn walk. They saw lots of colourful autumn leaves, collected fir cones and there were lots of squirrels gathering acorns. The trip gave them some good ideas for writing their autumn poems.

## IT'S ELECTRIFYING!!

3a have been busy learning about electricity and making their own circuits using battery cells, a motor, a light bulb, buzzers, wires and switches. They have learnt the symbols to use for each component and putting their skills to the test they have started to design a Christmas card which will use light bulbs and a motor.....we will let you know how they get on and if it works.

## 3B HIGHLIGHTS

"We decided that some of us could do a challenge in maths and we ended up doing year 4 work! We measured in metres and centimetres and even used a decimal point!" Katie

"We made circuits in science" Tilly

"We used a switch. We looked inside the switch and when you push it off a little gold bit went up, and when you push it on the gold bit went down and it went on" Niall



Pictured here we have Joel being a bulb in a circuit. "When Joel's hands got squeezed he lit up and when his hands were not squeezed he didn't light up" Ashley

## A SHOCKING GOOD GAME!

Year 4 have been experimenting with electricity, learning about conductors and insulators. They tried various different materials in their circuit and found out that all metals can conduct electricity. They have even made some cardboard games which use electricity. They made up some questions and others had to guess the right answer. If they got it right it would light up a bulb or set off a buzzer or a motor. Here are some pictures of the children with their games.



## BOURNVILLE FOOTBALL TEAM

Our school football team will be playing a match at home against Windwhistle next Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December from 3:30pm. Please come along to watch and support our team.

## CHRISTMAS FAIR

The Family and Friends of Bournville Primary School would like to invite you to our Christmas Fair on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December 1:30-3:15pm. There will be lots of exciting things including Santa's grotto, tombola, a raffle, stalls selling homemade Christmas cards and decorations, also cakes and refreshments will be on sale. Please come along and join in the festive fun!

If you have any unwanted books, toys or bric-a-brac (in good/working condition) that could be sold at the Christmas Fair or any items suitable for use as tombola prizes – foodstuffs, boxes of chocolates, toiletries, unwanted gifts etc. we would be very grateful for your donations. Please bring them into school in a bag marked with Christmas Fair Donations and give to your class teacher. Thank you for your support.



## BOURNVILLE FAMILY SUPPORT DROP IN SESSIONS

Don't forget to pop along and meet Fiona our Family Support Worker here at Bournville School. Fiona is running a parent drop in session every Monday morning 9-10am. If you need advice regarding children's behaviour, bedtime routines, rewards and sanctions or any other general information drop in and see Fiona for an informal chat.

## REPORTING ABSENCE

If your child is unwell and will be absent from school, has a medical appointment or will be late please ensure you telephone the school office by 9.30am to notify us. If your child is absent and we have not received a message, we will contact you by telephone or by text during the morning to check the reason for your child's absence.

## BPS APP NOW ON ANDROID TOO!!

As from today you can download the Bournville Primary School android app which is live in the Google Play Store. The iPhone app is available from the iTunes app store. It's FREE to download. You can see the latest school news, the school prospectus, get in touch quickly by phone or email, find us on a map, and have a go at the Bournville Primary School quiz.

## NON UNIFORM DAY

On Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December there will be a non uniform day for all children. Children choosing not to wear school uniform should bring in a donation for the Christmas Fair - bottle, can, toy, sweets etc.

## BOURNVILLE CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES



Bournville Christmas festivities will soon be in full swing. Watch out for our Christmas timetable detailing all the amazing events that will be taking place over the next few weeks.

The School Council have chosen The Polar Express as the Christmas theme this year so watch out for some fantastic decorations that will be going up around the school soon. The charity we will be collecting for this Christmas is the RNLI. There will be loads of festive fun happening over the next few weeks so join us for a very merry Bournville Christmas.

Year 5 & 6 children will be carol singing outside Marks & Spencer in the High Street on 13<sup>th</sup> December 6:30pm-8pm and at Asda on the morning of 17<sup>th</sup> December. Please come along and support them.

### USING THE SCHOOL CAR PARK

When driving onto the school grounds please can all parents/carers ensure they drive slowly and carefully, using the correct entry and exit gates. Parents are reminded that, in order to safeguard our children, the school gates are closed to cars entering the car park between 8.30am - 9.00am and 2.55pm - 3.35pm. This does not apply to people who hold disabled badges or taxis. If you have arranged to have your child picked up by family members or friends please ensure those collecting the children are aware that the gates will be closed. If you need to bring your car onto the school grounds at other times of the day please ensure that you park in a marked parking bay only. There have been a few instances recently where cars have been parked around the Breakfast Club door which makes it unsafe for pedestrians and other cars.

## **XTND** YOUR LOCAL CHARITY SPECIAL CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST

There will be a special Bournville Christmas breakfast club on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December 8:00am-8:45am. Everyone is welcome.... Years R - 6, regulars, new children, parents, carers and grandparents. Come along and join in the festive fun.....there will be Christmas music, games, delicious homemade cranberry & orange muffins and scrummy homemade mincemeat muffins to enjoy.

### IF YOU GO DOWN IN THE WOODS TODAY...

The 'We Are Family' group recently enjoyed a trip to Weston woods on a very muddy day!

If you would like to join We Are Family and take part in some great activities, please contact Judy on 427134 for further information on future events.



## ROLL OF HONOUR

### Class Certificates

1a	Destiny Lee, Bella Mayers
2a	Piper Emery
2b	Jackson Wills, Chelsea Caven
3a	Cole Riley, Paige Roberts
3b	Zak Marriott, Caitlin Thomas
4a	Tania Zannat, Yaylor Robinson
4b	Martyna Fryszka, Everton Murray
5a	Jessica Lockner, Danielle Croker
5b	Millie Jones, Ayisha Islam, Jacob Trybull, Ashley Shepherd
6b	Erica Moniz, Jordon Young, Bailey Stiddard, Hannah Oestreich, Tyler-Jay Richardson

### Better Learners Certificate

1a	Lukas Fear
2a	Sophie Hashem
2b	Chloe Cox, Tyler Monk
3a	Jessica Neal, Luke Jefferies
3b	Dylan Allen, Charlie-Rose Fouracre, Demi Jeffries
4a	Corey Walters, Chloe Palfrey
4b	Caleb Rowbury
5a	Emily Jarratt, Corey Turnbull
5b	Selina Crocker, Kaci Neilson

### Gold

Storm-Angel Joll

### Silver

Jordan Baker

### Light Blue

Piper Emery

### Dark Blue

Jade Singleton

### Dark Green

Leland Lewis, Dimitri Bradshaw

### DIARY DATES:

#### December

4 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5/6 trip to Hampton Court
5 <sup>th</sup>	Class 5b parent assembly
7 <sup>th</sup>	Open Morning/Non uniform day
10 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas topic starts
11 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS Christmas performance
11 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Life Skills
12 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS Christmas performance
14 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Fair
18 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Christmas performance
19 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Christmas performance
19 <sup>th</sup>	Pantomime Dick Whittington
20 <sup>th</sup>	School Christmas Dinner
21 <sup>st</sup>	KS2 Carol Service (1:30pm)
21 <sup>st</sup>	Last day of term

#### January

7 <sup>th</sup>	Back to school
15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Registration deadline for pupils starting Reception in September 2013</b>
21 <sup>st</sup>	Parent questionnaire sent out
25 <sup>th</sup>	Inset Day - school closed for staff training

#### February

5 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening
6 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening
8 <sup>th</sup>	Open Morning
8 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of term