

# Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School

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#### HEADTEACHER AWARD



In Reception, we were talking about our experiences of riding on a bus and compared them to Rosa Parks experiences of segregation and the eventful bus ride in 1955. Lucy said "She wasn't allowed because of her black skin. It's not fair on people, it's unfair because it doesn't matter if you have different coloured skin. Rosa Parks was being very strong."





Connie had her hair cut after school on Wednesday 14th November to give to the little princess trust for a wig to be made for another child due to cancer or lose of hair. She's also raised over £500 to date in the process for the charity as it costs them around £300 to make a child a wig.

The school would like to thank Connie very much for her very generous act of kindness! Well done, Connie!

<u>Fireworks— money raised</u>

We are so pleased to let you know that the PTA raised £3,200 from the fantastic firework night we had on Monday 5th November. Many thanks again to all the families that attended, both from the school and wider community. So many new faces. A massive thanks to the PTA and Teachers that gave up their time to enable this to happen.

<u> Anti-Bullying Week — Blue Day</u>

It has been a great week for the children's awareness to be raised about Bullying and the strategies they can use to put a stop to it. The children have been reminded of what Bullying is — physical, verbal and/or on-line actions or messages that intend to harm others repeatedly over a period of time. The children know to choose respect The definition of respect, is to: 'have due regard for (someone's feelings, wishes, or rights)'



<u> Children in Need — Friday 16th November</u>

What a great day for the children to participate in the fun and excitement of Children in Need. Thank you to everyone for coming in dressed in true 'Spotacular' style! We wish the charity well and hope lots is raised for such great causes!

Governors' Parent Survey

Please see the attached letter to participate in this year's Governors' Parent Survey. The on-line survey can be accessed on the following link:

https://www.esurveycreator.com/s/306d55b

#### Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day 100th Anniversary



Thank you to Miss Anscombe and all the families and children of the school who attended the 100th Anniversary of Armistice Day on Remembrance Sunday. It is great that the school can come together with all the Rottingdean community to celebrate the lives of those who came from the village to fight during World War 1. It gives us the opportunity to reflect and work together to create a more peaceful world in their memories.



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Forthcoming Dates

Autumn Term 2018 3rd September to 19th December 2018

INSET dates for 2019 15th February 2019 23rd April 2019 3rd June 2019

Thursday 6th June 2019 Class Photo's

Thurs 11th July 2019 Sports Day

**Saturday 13th July 2019** Summer Fair

Please see the final page for all the dates you will need this term and more!

#### Stars of the week

Rec-Lucy-For demonstrating a very positive attitude in all areas of her learning.

**Rec-Harrison** -For demonstrating an increased positive attitude to learning.

Yr1&2 - This is to recognise the effort, hard work and good behaviour in the whole of Year 1&2. As teachers, We are proud of the great strides you have made. Other teachers have also commented on the good behaviours and positive attitudes towards learning. The impeccable behaviour of the classes was well noted on our trip to Lewes Castle this week and all of Year 1&2 deserve a big congratulations!

**Yr2-Thomas** -For his decision to improve his learning by making great choices.

Yr3- Lucy -For showing perseverance with tricky maths and enjoying her learning.

Yr3- Lily -For enjoying her learning, showing an interest in all our work and being an active participant.

**Yr4- Xavier** -For being a 'have-a -go' hippo with his maths this week. Persevering and trying his best.

**Yr4- Joseph** -For excellent hand to eye co-ordination in badminton.

Yr5-Tumelo - For engaging brilliantly with her learning and showing a 'concentration chimp'.

**Yr6- James**—For working incredibly hard to develop his growth mindset.

**Yr6-Spencer-** For being an outstanding role model to his peers and working hard.

#### After School Clubs

Mon - French - Yrs Rec 1, 2 & 3 (starting Mon 17th Sept)

Theatrix Yrs R, 1 & 2 (first session 12th Nov)

Tue — Art Club Yrs 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6

Taekwondo

**Weds**—Multiskills Yrs 1 & 2 (starting Weds 19th Sept)

Thurs Theatrix Yrs 3,4,5 & 6 (starting Thurs 8th Nov)

Fri— Multisports Yrs 2,3, 4, 5 & 6 (starting Fri 21st Sept)

#### Children's Progress

We hope the Parent Consultation Evenings held recently, just before the half term holiday, helped to give you an initial understanding of the progress your child is making. If you are unsure, please remember you can always contact your child's class teacher by letter, memo, phoning the school or emailing the school requesting to meet. There is always the opportunity of approaching the class teacher at the end of the school day.

#### PTA/Friends of OLOL News

Christmas Fair —please, please, come along to help the PTA/Friends organise the very forthcoming Christmas Fair. A meeting is being held at the White Horse, Rottingdean at 6pm on Wednesday 15th November. It would be great if as many parents/carers could come along and help out as possible! The time you can donate to prepare for the Fair, or help on the day, could be as little as one hour to as much as you like. Please also look out for further details on when and where to donate goods for the stalls eg chocolates, bottles, teddies etc.

#### Parent Transport for Children's Events During School Time

Please see the attached letter from Miss Golawska regarding Parent transport. These new Brighton and Hove guidelines means that parents must follow them during school time for school events only.

#### Catering

Fresh meals are prepared on the school site daily by the kitchen staff. The meal service is provided by Caterlink and brought in to all Brighton and Hove City Council schools as part of a block contract. Theresa, our school cook, works wonders and the children have been very happy with the meals she produces. We have recently been approached by some parents asking about the changes in the taste of the meals provided. This has coincided with the change in catering contract to Caterlink. It has been reported that some children have stopped having school meals in the juniors, not because families now have to pay for the meals, but because they have noticed a difference in taste.

If there are any queries regarding school meals, please email schoolmeals@brighton-hove.gov.uk or call the following number:

For comments, complaints, compliments and contractual issues, please contact the School Meals Manager on 01273 293590.

\*\*Please see Dates for your diary on the following page\*\*

#### **SPORTS NEWS**

#### Girls' Football

The Deans Sports Partnership kicked off this year with the girls' football tournament. We entered two teams and played many matches against the other partnership schools. The girls played brilliantly; they were all great team players, encouraging and supporting each other and ensuring they had fun too! Well done to all the girls involved.

#### AITC Football

Over the past few weeks, children in years 5 and 6 have had the opportunity to play in a football tournament run and organised by Albion in the Community. Both the boys' and girls' teams played many matches against many schools across the city. It really was a fantastic experience for the children and one they thoroughly enjoyed. Well done to all the children that took part (32 in total!) and for upholding the OLOL's spirit!

#### Cricket

Last week, a group of children from year 6 represented our school in a cricket tournament held at Longhill. The team played a total of four games against the Partnership schools and were absolutely fantastic! The team played with great determination and excellent sportsmanship and were outstanding representatives of our school. We finished in first place overall which means we are currently top of the league table! Please take a look at the school website for more sporting news. Well done to all involved. Miss Golawska

**2019 INSET DAYS** 15th February 2019 — 23rd April 2019 — 3rd June 2019

#### Dates for Your Diary

Monday 19th November 3.30 Y5/Y6 Writing, SPAG and Spelling Parent/Carer Workshop
Tuesday 20th November 3.30 Y3/Y4 Writing/SPAG and Spelling Parent/Carer Workshop
Wednesday 21st November 3.30 Y1 and Y2 Writing/Spelling/SPAG Parent/Carer Workshop
Thursday 22nd November 3.30 Reception Writing Parent/Carer Workshop
Tuesday 27th November Flu Vaccinations for Reception to Year 5

Monday 3rd December 3.30 Reception Maths Parent/Carer Workshop
Tuesday 4th December 3.30 Y1/2/3 & 4 Parent/Carer Maths Workshop
Thursday 6th December 3.30 Yr 5/6 Parent/Carer Maths Workshop

Wednesday 5th December 1.30 Infant Nativity Performance
Thursday 6th December 9.30pm Infant Nativity Performance
Tuesday 11th December Christmas Lunch — See attached menu from Caterlink
Wednesday 12th December Dress as an Elf on the 12th
Thursday 13th December 1.30 Junior Advent Reflection
Friday 14th December 9.30 Junior Advent Reflection

End of Autumn Term — Wednesday 19th December

Spring Term begins - Thursday 3rd January 2019

Thursday 6th June - Class Photos

Thursday 11th July — Sports Day (Reception and KS1 morning/KS2 afternoon)

#### PTA Dates

Saturday 1st December — Christmas Fair Saturday 6th July — Woodingdean Carnival Saturday 13th July — Summer Fair



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#### **GOVERNORS' PARENT SURVEY – AUTUMN 2018**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have all settled well into the new Autumn term. It was really good to see so many of you at Parents' Evening when you dropped by "Governors' Corner" for tea and biscuits while waiting to speak with your child's class teacher. Also, those who could attend our PTA Firework 'Autumn Extravaganza'. It was an amazing event in which the whole school community were present – a real celebration of all that is great about our community school!

It is again that time of year when we want to share as well as hear from you. Much has happened:

- We are again pleased with the SATS key stage 2 results which reflect how the school team are embedding the new interventions into the school, and show pupils' individual strides in progress compared with where they stood at year 2.
- Teachers are continuing with programmes and strategies such as *Read Write Inc* Phonics, Project X guided reading resources and 'Talk for Writing' strategies which are having a noticeable impact on writing and literacy skills across the school. Furthermore, our physical structures continue to be dramatically renewed, with our resurfaced playgrounds, refurbished classrooms and library and soon to be officially opened wild life trail and outdoor learning area at the top of the school site.

In keeping with this continual development, we re-drafted our school Mission Statement after much discussion and activity across the school to have everyone involved. A much more effective, visual and simpler statement that directs us all, in what we do.

Parent Workshops in Phonics, Reading, Writing, Spelling and Maths are being delivered over this half term to ensure we have true partnerships working between families and the school to enable all our children to have more opportunities to make even more progress.

As part of our partnership with parents, the Governors want to hear your views on the school, on all matters, great and small. We hope to hear your thoughts on interactions, too – such as governor communication and the parent council.

The survey is anonymous and all points of view are welcome.

Please fill out the on-line survey at <a href="https://www.esurveycreator.com/s/306d55b">https://www.esurveycreator.com/s/306d55b</a> or kindly return a hard copy to the Governors' Letterbox by 19<sup>th</sup> November 2018.

Thank you very much for your continued support.

Paul Beverton

Headteacher

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Friday 16th November 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Local Authority have recently imposed new guidance upon schools regarding parent transport to and from sporting events, which take place during school hours. The Local Authority believe that this guidance will ensure the safeguarding and safety of every child and as a school, your child's safety and safeguarding is of paramount importance to us.

If an event is scheduled to take place **during school hours**, and you are transporting your **own child**, no further action is necessary, other than written permission in the form of a reply slip.

If an event is scheduled to take place, during school hours, and you are either:

- (a) Collecting a child that is not your own, or
- (b) You have asked another parent to collect your child

then there are a number of formalities that the school must go through, in order to approve this transport.

In this situation, the school would need to:

- 1. Obtain parental permission for the child being transported
- 2. Have a copy of the driver's DBS check and barred list status
- 3. Receive a signed declaration regarding the condition of the driver's vehicle and have a copy of insurance documents, driving licence and confirmation of at least 2 years driving experience
- Have confirmation that the driver has informed their insurance company that they're acting in a voluntary capacity

Please note that the above is only needed for a sporting events that are scheduled during school hours.

We appreciate that this guidance may cause inconvenience for you. We thank you for your understanding and co-operation in this matter.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you wish to discuss this further.

Yours faithfully,

Miss Golawska PE Subject Leader

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**Head Teacher: Paul Beverton** 

# Christmas Menu A



#### Please give your support to the Beacon Hub!

Dear Mr Beverton,



I am writing to you to ask for your school's family's support in securing funding for the Beacon Hub Brighton, a volunteer lead local community project.

You may already be aware of the project, of which I am a co-founder and trustee. In brief, our intent is to re-develop the former golf pavilion (close to Rottingdean windmill) as an Eco-education & Visitor Centre to the Beacon Hill local nature reserve and local marine conservation zone. Children in particular will benefit, by learning about nature and the environment in the great outdoors and a purpose built classroom. We have over the summer had visits from schools in Rottingdean, but are limited in scope by inadequate facilities at present.

Please help us to secure up to £25,000 by voting for the Beacon Hub project at the Aviva Community Fund website by clicking on the link below:

#### https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/voting/project/view/4-1172

The page contains further details about the project including a video narrated by 'yours truly'. The voting process is straightforward and will take just a couple of minutes of your time - you can 'opt-out' of receiving marketing communications from Aviva.

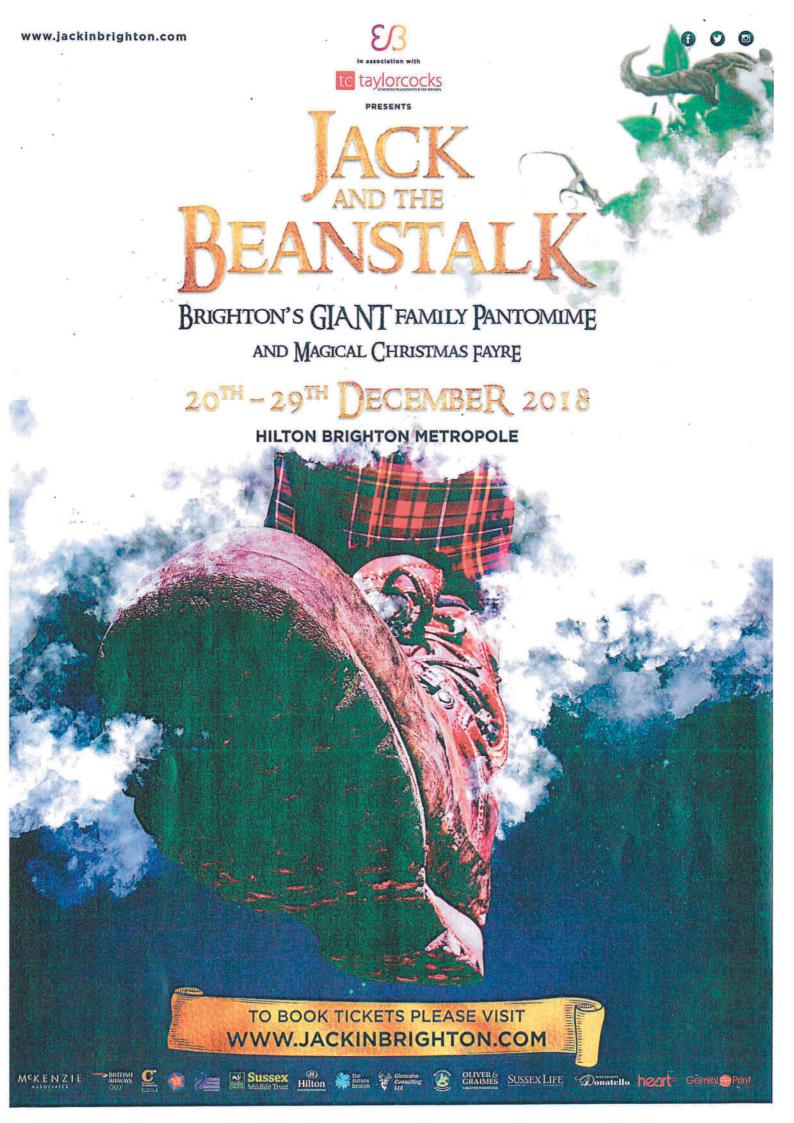
NB: Voting closes on 20th November, so please register now!

Presuming you agree that Beacon Hub Brighton deserves wider support, I would ask respectfully if you could publicise the voting procedure to staff and parents.

Many thanks in anticipation of your support on behalf of myself and fellow trustees.

Sincerely, Jay Butler

Co-founder & Trustee Beacon Hub Brighton CIO Register Charity No: 1159583





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# Christmas Fair

### SATURDAY 24TH NOVEMBER

2.15pm-4 15pm at St Nicholas Church Hall, Saltdean Vale, BN2 8HA.

JOIN US FOR LOTS OF CHRISTMAS
FUN INCLUDING:
•SANTA'S GROTTO
•RAFFLE
•FACE-PAINTING
•TOMBOLA
•BISCUIT DECORATING
•CAKES AND REFRESHMENTS
•SWEETS
•LUCKY DIP
•HOOK A DUCK
•TOY TOMBOLA
AND MANY MORE STALLS!

All welcome! Free entry!

Registered charity number: 1028876



# **Christmas Fair**



# Saturday 17 November, 1pm-4pm

The Lounge, Blind Veterans UK, Greenways, Ovingdean, BN2 7BS

We have gathered together some wonderful craft stalls to help you with your Christmas gift ideas. Join us for a festive afternoon with all the family. New for this year, Santa's Grotto! Refreshments available and entry is free.

For more information call Rachel 01273 391455 email rachel.chitty@blindveterans.org.uk or visit blindveterans.org.uk/christmasfair



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