

# Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School

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Newsletter Issue 7 Friday 13/12/19 — see final page for important dates for your diary!

# Schools Christmas Concert

On Monday 2nd December, a group of year 5 and year 6 pupils joined with 42 other schools to take part in the annual Brighton and Hove Music and Arts Christmas Concert. We had been rehearsing, three times a week for the best part of 2 months and had been visited by a music coach, who told us that our Latvian accent was the best she had heard in all her primary school visits!

It was a wonderful night; the children sang their hearts out and were beautifully behaved. Miss Anscombe and myself were very proud of them! Thank you children, for beginning our Christmas preparations in such style!

Mrs Philbrook and Miss Anscombe



### Christmas Lunch

On behalf of all the children and staff, I would like to say a huge thank you to Theresa and her kitchen staff for our wonderful Christmas lunch. As always, it was delicious! Thank you for all your hard work - and for service with a smile!









On Tuesday 10th December, Reception Class held their annual Christmas Craft day. Many thanks to all the amazing adults that helped the children to make Christmas crowns, cards, photo frames, calendars, clay stars and wrapping paper. It was a whirlwind of glue, glitter, sequins and funl











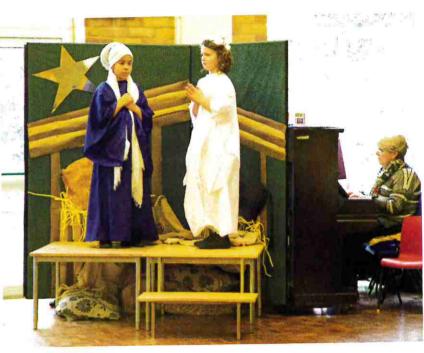


KS2 Advent Reflection

This week we have been privileged to witness the KS2 Advent Reflection, 'Come See the Light'. The children took us on a spiritual journey through Advent, beginning with Isaiah, who told us about people walking in darkness and ending with Luke's version of the Shepherds visit to the Christ child. It was a very moving experience; everyone fully committed to the reflection, through their readings, prayer, tableaux and most importantly, through their singing. This event would not have been possible without the dedication and expertise of Mrs Prior, who came back to ensure that our school community was able to participate in this reverential experience. Thank you so much Mrs Prior for sharing your talents with us and thank you children for making us so proud!

Photo taken by Isabella's mum: www.sweetblessingsphotography.co.uk











Are hearts were warmed by the Infant's nativity last week. All the hard work, effort and enthusiasm brought us a wonderful story with joyful songs and entertaining performances. Thanks to Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 for sharing the Christmas spirit.



### Farewell

It is with a mixture of emotions that we are saying farewell to Mrs Matthews, who has been the face of the school for the past 15 years. All of you will have your own personal memories of Kathy; to me she has been a loyal friend and confidant. Without Kathy, I would have found this term as acting head, so much more difficult. Over the years, Kathy has developed a huge wealth of knowledge about our school community. Never afraid to challenge, always keeping the safety of our children at the forefront of the school, Kathy has been a vital part of our team. The reason for her leaving is that she is off to pursue a whole new chapter in her life, working as a Tour Manager, taking train travellers all around Europe, India, the Antipodes and the USA. It is a very exciting time for Kathy, so although she will be terribly missed, we look forward to hearing all about her adventures. We wish you great joy as you begin your new career.

More farewells

We are also sad to say goodbye to two other valued members of staff. Federico de Cicco, who works as a MDSA, is returning to Italy to get married and Chandni, Y2 TA, is pursuing her dreams to become a teacher. We wish them both every success in the future and hope that they will come back to visit us soon.

Elf on the 12th Thank you to all the donations for Elf on the 12th we raised £121.10 for the local Rocking Horse

Children's' Charity. Many thanks





## Stars of the week

All of Reception Class- For their hard work in preparing for and then performing the Nativity Everyone loves a baby'. Even with technical issues you were true actors and did not let it phase you. Shine on Reception!

All of Year 1 - For fully participating within all rehearsals, learning actions, songs and parts for our Nativity. For showing such enjoyment and sharing such joy and meaning at this special time of year.

Yr 1- Victor — For applying your phonics knowledge within your reading and writing activities throughout the day.

For all of Year 2 For their enthusiasm in sharing the festive season, learning and delivering their parts and songs in this year's nativity performance! It was a wonderful experience and performance!

- Yr 3- Rocky For enjoying his learning and being a Keep On Improving Koala, by always challenging himself, especially in his maths work.
- Yr 3- Abigail For being a Persevering Penguin and working really hard on adding and subtracting numbers by exchanging and becoming more confident. Keep up the good work!
- Yr 4- Lucy For working really well with her learning partner and showing a supportive and helpful attitude as well as sharing ideas in lessons across the curriculum.
- Yr 4- Jonathan For a real improvement in focus and concentration during lessons this term and presenting his work with care, including beautiful handwriting. Keep it up!
- Yr 5- Izel —For always producing lovely written work, particularly a fantastic newspaper article, and going out of her way to present it as neatly as possible
- Yr 5- Felix For showing a real enthusiasm in many areas of the curriculum which has crossed over into our advent performance practices
- A special Thank You: to Rowan in y5: For stepping in to help with the infant Nativity Power-Points and being so reliable.
- Yr 6- Anton For showing a positive attitude to his reading and writing.
- Yr 6- Isaac For always showing a positive 'have a go' attitude to his learning.

Christmas Fair

On Saturday, our school community gathered to hold our Christmas Fair. We were joined by a very special guest - Father Christmas and one of his elves! Thanks to the hard work of the PTA, the event was a great success. We haven't got exact figures yet, but think that we have raised approximately £1500 for the school. Thank you to everyone who supported the event, either by attending, donating gifts or buying raffle tickets.

Thank you

Thank you for all your generosity to staff, who are very grateful. Staff are always happy to receive cards from pupils, but please do not feel that you have to buy your teachers a gift.

Poppy Appeal

I am delighted to announce that, thanks to your generosity, we raised £118.02 from selling poppies. This money will enable the British Legion to continue their vital welfare and benevolent work.

New office Business Manager

There will be a new face in the office at the start of the new year. We look forward to welcoming Kim Breckell as the school Business Manager please pop by and say hello to help her feel welcome.

After School Clubs

Mon - French - Yrs Rec 1, 2 & 3 - Theatrix Yrs R, 1 & 2

Tue - Taekwondo

Weds - Multiskills Rec-& Yr 1

Thurs - Theatrix Yrs 3, 4, 5 & 6 Fri - Multisports Yrs 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6

\*\*\* 2020 INSET DAYS 3rd April, 1st June & 22nd July \*\*\*

# Dates for Your Diary

DECEMBER

Weds 18th December Christmas Discos - KS1 2 - 3pm KS2 3.30 - 4.30 Thurs 19th December Christmas around the World Exhibition 9.00-11.00 Fri 20th December 9.30 Celebration Assembly - Last day of term

# JANUARY

Monday 6th January — First day back and start of Spring term

Thank you

Thank you for all your generosity to staff, who are very grateful. Staff are always happy to receive cards from pupils, but please do not feel that you have to buy your teachers a gift.

Wishing you all a joyous, peaceful and blessed Christmas. Warmest wishes from all at Our Lady of Lourdes.





Deans Sports Partnership Manager: Mr D Hambrook Email: dsp@woodingdean.brighton-hove.sch.uk Telephone: 01273 680811 Fax: 01273 607359

Dear Parent/Guardian,

December 2019.

#### Re; Multisport Club for Years 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

I am writing to inform you of an opportunity for your child to take part in a multisport club, this is part of the Deans Sports Partnership programme that your child's school is involved with.

The club will run at your child's School on a Friday after school and finishes at 4.30pm.

Children will have the opportunity to take part in a variety of different sports during the programme including basketball, football, netball, hockey, tag rugby and other activities including fitness-based activities.

The cost of this programme is set out below with payment options. Sessions start on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January. Children need to wear appropriate kit, as sessions will take place outside if the weather is good and inside when the light fades/weather is poor.

Dates of sessions – Jan 17, 24, 31, Feb 7, 14, 28, Mar 6, 13, 20, 27.

Please assume your child has a space – no confirmation will be issued. Children will be taken to the hall at the end of school by class teachers. Please complete the proforma below and return it to your child's school office as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. D.Hambrook

Child's Name	
Any medical conditions	
I am applying for our son/daughter to take part in the multisport club at Our Lady of Lourdes School on Fridays after school.  I undertake responsibility to arrange collection of my child from the school at 4.30pm.	

FULL PAYMENT - I enclose cash or cheque for £40 payable to 'Woodingdean Primary School'.

TWO STAGE PAYMENT I enclose £20 cash or cheque payable as above and understand the remaining payment will need to be made after half-term.

Signed...... Parent/Guardian



Saltdean Primary School



Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School



Rudyard Kipling Primary School and Nursery



Print Name .....

St. Margaret's CofE Primary School



Woodingdean Primary School



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Dear Parent/Guardian,
Re: Year 1 and 2 Multi-skill sports club.

December 2019.

I am writing to inform you of an opportunity for your child to take part in this club. This is part of the Deans Sports Partnership that your child's school is involved with. Children will take part in a variety of activities including ball skills, sports challenges and athletic activities.

All sessions take place at the school your child attends in the school hall on the dates below – your child's class teacher will ensure children will be taken to the hall so you do not need to collect your child until the club ends from the school hall at 4.15pm.

There will be a charge of £25 per child. Children should wear their school PE kit for sessions.

The day that your child will be attending the sessions will be starting on **WEDNESDAY 22ND JANUARY** and weekly thereafter on the same day and the sessions finish on **WEDNESDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> MARCH**.

Please assume your child has a space. In the very unlikely event, the club is oversubscribed a ballot will take place to determine spaces, if your child is unsuccessful in securing a space any payment made will be returned to you. You will only be contacted if your child does not have a space.

Yours sincerely,

Mr D.Hambrook

Child's Name

Yeargroup
School OLOL

Emergency contact number
I am applying for my son/daughter to take part in the multiskills sports club. I enclose cash or cheque for £25 payable to 'Woodingdean Primary School'.

Medical information
Printed
Parent/Guardian

# RETURN TO YOUR SCHOOL OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WITH FULL PAYMENT



Saltdean Primary School



Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School



Rudyard Kipling Primary School and Nursery



St. Margaret's CofE Primary School



Woodingdean Primary School



# Rottingdean

# Club

# Let's play in French!

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Best time to learn to develop correct accent and confidence to speak!





Quand? Mondays - 3.15 to 4.00

Dates? 13th January to 21st March 2020

Qui? Reception to Year 2 children

Combien? £54/10 weeks

# Contact us:

gabrielle@bonjourkidz.com tel:01273 921821

Or to book a space go to www.bonjourkidz.com



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on grade syllabuses from exam boards such as ABRSM,

encourage all students to take part in exams and can assist in Trinity Guildhall, Trinity Rock & Pop, RGT and Rockschool. We

finding an accompanist if required.

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providers. We are Ofsted registered and can accept childcare Lessons are booked and paid for on a half-termly basis to help with your cash flow and are over 25% cheaper than other

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students-please see www.sussexmusic.com/ackerman

for more information.

Ackerman Music

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30 minute paired: £11.25 per studen 60 minute one-to-one: £28.90

60 minute paired: £20.35 per studen

Please ask about small group lessons - All prices include VAT

# Funding

There is often financial support available through your school, please ask us for more information regarding subsidies

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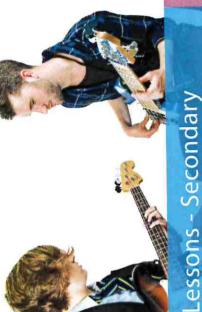
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- · Individual, paired and small group lessons
- All instruments and vocals
- Tailored lessons

training helps develop the brain in many areas including Music education is fun and informative, early musical language and creativity.

learning valuable skills in self-expression which leads to in reading and mathematics. Students also benefit from achieve higher academic classroom results, particularly Studies show that children who learn an instrument higher self-esteem.

piano, guitar, drums, vocals, woodwind, strings and brass. on all classical and contemporary instruments including SAM delivers individual, paired and small group lessons Every lesson is tailored to suit the individual.

- 30 or 60 minute lessons
- Online weekly lesson reports

Studios is also used to offer lessons when it is not possible

Open 7 days a week including school holidays; SAM

School overflow

at your school. There is never a need to be on a waiting

The facilities include disabled access and free parking, list as lessons take place after school and weekends.

plus it is a short walk from all public transport links.

Graded qualifications available

academic development of young adults. Through learning a professional musician in the future, students experience musical instruments, whether as a hobby or aiming to be Secondary school music tuition supports the social and important skills required for the workplace such as discipline, teamwork and creative problem solving.

including voice, drums, guitar, piano, woodwind, strings, brass, SAM delivers individual lessons covering all genres from classical to contemporary and urban in all instruments, DJ and music technology.

At SAM we believe individual tuition offers an efficient learning environment without distractions and allows the tutor to focus 100% on the individual, tailoring lessons to their own requirements.



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- Record a song and perform on stage in our professional recording studio in Shoreham-by-Sea
- Percussion workshops and learning songs on a variety of instruments
- Optional party food and drink available.

Terms and conditions apply



# Singing + Drum Kit Lessons at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary

Great news, SAM Music Service offer individual and paired **drum kit lessons** at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary. **Singing lessons** will also be on offer **from January**, so a great opportunity to contact SAM if you are interested in starting. Lessons take place **during and after the school day**.

Learning to play an instrument can be a fantastic way to help with confidence, creativity, social skills and academic development. Our students are encouraged to progress through the accredited graded syllabusses such as Trinity Rock & Pop.

The teachers are experienced and passionate real-life musicians; lessons are fun and engaging; and parents / guardians are kept up to date with weekly online feedback via our unique, mobile friendly software "mySAM"!

There are limited spaces so please enquire as soon as possible to avoid disappointment, as lessons will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.

#### How to Enquire:

- 1. Email: lessons@sussexmusic.com include student name / school name / instrument
- 2. Web: www.sussexmusic.com/schools complete the quick and easy contact form

#### What does it Cost:

- Individual 30min lessons are £15.50 per lesson
- Paired 30min lessons are £11.25 per lesson per person
- Lessons are paid for in half-termly blocks.
- We encourage individual lessons for the most efficient learning experience!
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