



## NEWSLETTER : ISSUE 8

10<sup>th</sup> January 2020

### Welcome:

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year. I hope you all found time to be with family and friends over the festive break. The children have been telling me about their presents and adventures, I think most children clearly made it onto the nice list.

Ms Murphy has settled in well to Y1 and is working closely with Miss Blick. They have some joint ventures planned and I know the children will love it.

It is with sadness that I let you know that after 8 years Mr Harvey will be retiring on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2020. Ken has been a central part of our school community in his time here and has been to Wales and Swanage with myself on residential along with many other educational visits. He always has a smile and is loved by pupils and parents alike. If you would like to contribute to his leaving gift please do so via the school office before 4<sup>th</sup> February.

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### Reasons to Celebrate:

- All the children worked incredibly hard last term but at the final count Longslade acquired the most house points. Next week the children will decide which reward they would like to have; Longslade parents will then receive a letter letting you know the date (this will be during the school day).
- On the last Monday of the autumn term all year groups took part in an inter-house Tri-golf competition. The Y1/2 winning house was Whitemoor, with Oberfield taking first place in both the Y3/4 & Y5/6 teams. All points were combined to find the over winner – "Tiger Ancient Woods" (Mr Harvey!) presented Oberfield with the trophy.
- Thank you for your donations to Save the Children for Christmas Jumper Day - £135.50 was raised and everyone enjoyed seeing the colourful array of jumpers worn at Christmas lunch!
- KS1 made Christingles in the last week of term with the children visiting from Brockenhurst Pre-school. The Christingle service held in the hall was attended by parents and individual collection boxes were distributed for The Children's Society. The final count has not yet been made so it is not too late to return your collection box to Mrs Morris or the school office.
- Y6 were in fine voice when they visited both Woodpeckers and Forest Oaks Care Homes at the end of last term. Their carol singing for the residents was warmly received and the children were rewarded with chocolate biscuits at both homes!

### School Notices:

- We are very grateful to the Brockenhurst Village Trust for gifting a performance of Snow White to the whole school. This M&M production will be performed in the school hall next Tuesday afternoon. A big thank you to everyone at the Village Hall for this generous donation.
- Spring term extra-curricular clubs will begin next week. As usual these will run every week (regardless of the weather) until one week before the Easter holidays. There are still a few places remaining on some of the clubs; if you would like to book a place please log onto your Scopay account to see what is still available.
- A final reminder that the national closing date for Primary School applications is Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020. If your child is 4 or will turn 4 before 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020, they can start school in September 2020. For more information go to [www.hants.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.hants.gov.uk/admissions)
- Please remain vigilant at the school crossing. Despite months of searching we cannot find anyone to take on the role. Encourage children to stand well back unless they are crossing with you.

### Important Dates:

<b>Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	YR trip to Lymington library
<b>Tues 14<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	Snow White panto to whole school
<b>Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	Y3 Swim course begins
<b>Thur 6<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	Owl visit to YR&KS1
<b>Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	YR to Little Flames
<b>Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	Inset Day
<b>17<sup>th</sup>- 21<sup>st</sup> Feb</b>	Half-term holiday
<b>Thur 13<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	Y1/2 trip to Southampton Art Gallery
<b>Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	YR to Little Flames
<b>6<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Easter Holidays

### Pause For Thought :

"You'll never get bored when you try something new. There's really no limit to what you can do." Dr Seuss



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