

Great Barford Lower School Newsletter— December 2016

This term has been very busy with lots of fantastic trips, activities and brilliant performances in our Christmas productions and concerts, Well done to all the children and staff.

Thank you to everyone for all their help and a we would like to wish you all



A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year



Robins

Will take part after the spring term

Owls

Alesha, Arya, Casey, Joshua

Puffins

Freya, Joseph, Lewis, Oliver, Annabelle

Woodpeckers

Joshua, Milisha, Bobby, Emma, Daniel

Osprey's

Selim, Amiya, Neve, Matthew, Akiel

Eagles

Poppy, Eva, Chloe, Jaden, Marley, As part of our vision and values for this half term the values champions have received a golden ticket. This ticket is for our Values



Champion's Tea Party on Monday 9th January in the school hall, 2.45-3.15pm. If your child has been awarded a golden ticket they are invited to attend a tea party with a special guest (for example, grandparent or parent). Unfortunately other school age children are unable to attend.



What have we been up to?

The Amazing Acts – RE Exhibition for KS2 – Tuesday1st November

The three KS2 classes viewed an interesting and informative exhibition run by Mr Little. The children were led through a range of Bible stories based on amazing events and occurrences. The stories were brought to life by some brilliant acting by the different characters such as Paul, Lydia and the jailer.

The children enjoyed answering questions based on the quiz they were given and this prompted lots of thought and discussion about the stories. Finally, the children chose their favourite character, and it was fantastic to see children developing their deeper thinking skills by relating the actions of the characters to Christian values.



East Bedfordshire Football Tournament—Wednesday 16th November



The Year 4 football team qualified last month and took part in the tournament at Alban. The tournament was based on a round robin league with each of the six teams playing each other. Our team played really well winning three games, drawing one and losing a game this meant we came second overall. This is a fantastic result and well done to our team we played brilliantly we are very proud of you!

Team: Thomas O, Thomas B, Akiel, Marley, Mabel, Jasmine and Millie

Play leaders Training, 29th November 2016

As part of our children's Play leader development programme the Year 4 Classes enjoyed a training session with Mr Blunt our School Games Organiser. The children took part in list of activities and learnt how they would run them theirselves by using the principles of STEP—space, task, equipment and people.

The children really enjoyed the session and cant wait to implement them on the playground.



Visit to St Johns Moggerhanger—Monday 28th November 2016

A group of children from Mark Rutherford, Alban Academy and Great Barford Lower School had the opportunity to go to St John's Hospice to pack Reindeer Food for Santa's Packs. This was a great opportunity for the three schools to work together and take part in a charitable event. The children had a fantastic time and Santa's reindeer will be very grateful for the food.











Christmas

Well done to everyone who took part in our Christmas productions and the concert in All Saints Church Great Barford they were all fantastic and enjoyed by all.

The Barford Bugle Drawing Competition

Well done to Courtney Curtis who won the annual Barford Bugle drawing competition to draw a festive cover for the Barford Bugle. Well done to everyone else who took part and please look inside The Bugle to see the other fantastic pictures throughout the magazine.



Thank You Friends

Thank you to the friends committee who have been busy fund raising this term.

Christmas Fayre raised—£714.26

Movie Night-£208.75

Christmas Raffle—£477.14

This is a fantastic achievement and will make a great contribution to the swimming pool improvements.

Polite Reminders

Dinner Money—All monies to be placed in a sealed envelope labelled with your child's name, class, the value of money enclosed as well as the days that the payment is to cover.

Cost £2.15 per day £10.75 a week £ 62.35 for the half term

Attendance—It is important that your child is in school. If your child is unwell please contact the school the morning of each day they are absent. Unexplained absences will be investigated.



Dates for the new half term

Event	Year Group
Children back to School	Whole School
Value Champions Tea party 2.45 pm in the hall	Guests of children who have a golden ticket
Tag Rugby	Team to be confirmed
Sports Hall Athletics	Woodpeckers
KS1 Multi Skills Festival	Puffins
Friends Tuck Friday 3.15-3.45pm	Whole School
Para-Olympics Sports	Owls/Puffins/Woodpeckers/ Ospreys/Eagles
Tag Rugby Final (if though)	Team to be confirmed
Yr 3 Class Assembly-9.10am	Woodpeckers
Parent Consultations 1.20 - 3.20 4.30- 7.30	Whole School
Mufti Day—Monetary Donation	Whole School
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Half Term Holidays: 13th February—17th February



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Yellow	60
Red	57
Blue	43

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