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Take Me Home Newsletter 9— 23rd November 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

Message from The Governors

Governors have noted that in recent days Bayards has received some well deserved good publicity in the local press. First, a really positive article appeared in the Oxford Mail which highlighted the successes in our recent OFSTED inspection. Then, the school featured in a report about the Christmas Light Festival Parade which took place in the city centre last Friday night. I was fortunate enough to attend the event and I have informed Governors that all the pupils who took part in the parade were a credit to the school. Their smiles and enthusiasm were accompanied by excellent behaviour and mature attitudes. It was clear that our children had worked extremely hard to produce some amazing lanterns which they carried with great pride around the streets of Oxford and into the new Westgate centre. The parade involved schools from across the city and it was a wonderful celebratory event for us to be involved in. I'd like to say thank you to all the staff, parents and carers who helped supervise the event and attended on the night. A special mention must go to Linda Morton who worked tirelessly for many weeks on the project, supervising the making of the lanterns, organising the children and overseeing all the travel arrangements on the night. It is the willingness Linda and many others at the school to go the extra mile, that is helping to make a real difference to the lives of our pupils.

It is very pleasing that the good work being done at Bayards is starting to get the recognition it rightly deserves. Many parents, carers, staff and children are working together to help the school move forward. The amazing Firework Night earlier in the month was a huge success and the PTA are now busy in the process of organising the Christmas Fair. These are very exciting times and everyone in the school community should feel very proud of our achievements so far.

Maurice East

Chair of Governors

Dates for Your Diary

- 24th November Non-School Uniform Day to support PTA Christmas Fair
- 5th December Whole School Pantomime—Dick Whittington
- 7th December Elgar IMPS Visit
- 8th December Sibelius IMPS Visit
- 8th December PTA Christmas Fair 2:00pm to 4:00pm
- 11th December Upper KS2 Xmas Dress Rehearsal am
- 12th December EY Xmas Dress Rehearsal am
- 12th December Lower KS2 Xmas Dress Rehearsal
- 12th December EY Xmas Performance 2:00am
- 13th December Years 3 & 4 Xmas Carol Service at 9:30am
- 13th December Years 5 & 6 Xmas Carol Service 2:00pm
- 14th December KS1 Xmas Performance (time tbc)
- 14th December Year 3 trip to Natural History Museum Oxford
- 15th December School Christmas Dinner
- 18th December Attendance Assembly 9:00am
- 18th December Class Xmas Parties from 1:30pm
- 18th December Attendance Tea Party 10:00am
- 19th December Last Day of Term—school closes at 1:00pm

**New Term begins on Wednesday
3rd January 2018**

SCHOOL NOTICES

Universal Free School Meals

A hot, nutritious meal is available free to all Early Years and KS1 pupils. For years 3 and above the cost is £2.10 per meal payable weekly in advance

SWIMMING

Year 4—Octave & Baroque alternate weeks
Jazz—Wednesday

Payments to School













Receipts will be given for all money paid into school—please ensure you keep them safely

Wednesday Homework Club

Homework Club ends at 3:45pm.
Please ensure your child is collected promptly from the main reception at 3:45pm

Attendance & Achievement

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE
94.8%
KS1 ATTENDANCE WINNERS
BLUES 96.7%
KS2 ATTENDANCE WINNERS
BAROQUE/BEETHOVEN 99.2%
NUMBER OF LATES THIS WEEK
63

Class	%		Class	%	
Symphony	96.4		Acapella	87.5	
Blues	96.7		Rhythm	91.8	
Jazz	94.3		Classical	95.9	
Octave	91.5		Baroque	99.2	
Beethoven	99.2		Mozart	96.7	
Elgar	97.6		Sibelius	94.2	

Star Writer

	Name	Class	Name
Harmony	Zhayden	Melody	Edgar
Symphony	Jillianne	Acapella	Jaya
Blues	Sara	Rhythm	
Jazz	Reagan	Classical	Corianne
Octave	Jordan	Baroque	Mark
Beethoven		Mozart	
Elgar	Tya	Sibelius	Fergus

Role Model

Class	Name	Class	Name
Harmony	Jack	Melody	Sofia
Symphony	Lilli-Mai	Acapella	Codi
Blues	Dulitha	Rhythm	
Jazz	Emily	Classical	Amirah
Octave	Leona	Baroque	Ryan
Beethoven		Mozart	
Elgar	Reece	Sibelius	Amy