



Newsletter

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Dear parents and carers,

This week in Silver Birch they have been planning and writing travel brochures for a dream trip to Antarctica. In maths they have been investigating measurements and calculating with them to solve problems.



They have also carried out an investigation into the effectiveness of camouflage against predators. The children planned and organised everything with the help of an unsuspecting Holly class who acted as their predators. Both classes really enjoyed this and learnt lots! Last week, Holly Class went on their trip to Fishbourne Roman Palace.



They took part in a 'Military Experience Day' and were able to apply a lot of what they had learnt in class to the activities. The

children enjoyed the day, especially when they got the opportunity to sample the Roman diet.



At the end of the day, the class were practising drills and receiving orders from a real centurion! Throughout the whole day, all of the children were fantastically behaved and represented our school impeccably. The villain Evil Pea has been causing havoc in Beech class and the children made posters to try and find him!



Evil pea is a character from the book Supertato and the children made their own Supertato.



The children in Willow have also been busy with their superhero topic, writing about superheroes and labelling pictures of them.



Last week they had a Superhero day with Beech and everyone dressed up as superheroes.



Willow made superhero gingerbread men and did superhero challenges, like build towers taller than themselves.

Lots of learning of words is going on as Beech and Willow have begun practising for their Nativity play while Holly and Silver Birch are practising for their Carol Service.

Voice Box

The school council organised the Voice Box joke competition. Children put themselves forward

to tell a joke and we vote for the winner. We then send our entry through to the Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists' national competition. The idea is to help children build their communication skills and confidence.



The children voted for a winner from Beech, Holly and Silver Birch. Amelia won from Beech, Rose and Emily won from Holly and Jonathan won from Silver Birch. They all performed again and Jonathan won overall with his purple boy joke – do get him to tell it to you!

House Team Charity fundraising event

Parham House team are holding their fundraising event for Sussex Caring Pets on **Wednesday 13th December**. For £1, children can come to school dressed as an animal. There will also be a second hand book sale after school in the library. If you have any books to donate please leave them in the office.

Sports Crew

Six Y6 children have been chosen by our sports ambassadors to be our sports crew along with the sports ambassadors. They went to Warden Park for their sports crew training and we look forward to them arranging some exciting sporting activities for the younger children. The sports crew are: Anna, Danny, Percy, Faith, Charlie, Ava, Bowie and Izzy.

Netball

Our netball team had their first league matches at the end of November. They played Albourne and St Mark's. Though they lost both games they played well and their passing and team work are much improved.

Football

Our footballers showed excellent sportsmanship on Tuesday when they played in the league. They were really supportive by encouraging and praising each other which is fantastic. They won their game against St Peter's in Ardingly and are now at the top of the league. Keep it up boys!

Road safety

We have started looking at road safety in school and the children have been asked to design a sign to go along the driveway up to school. Please talk to your children about being safe on the roads too.

Christmas Fair

Thank-you to everyone who supported our Christmas Fair. We had so many wonderful contributions and amazing helpers. We made around £2,500 which is fantastic. It was so lovely to see so many people attend including some of our ex-pupils as well as Father Christmas and his elves. There were fabulous stalls and many Christmas gifts were purchased. The stalls run by Y5 and 6 children were very popular and they raised just over £200.



The event was wonderfully organised by the Friends of Bolney who gave up so much of their time and worked really hard to ensure it was successful. Thank-you again to all.

Dates

KS2 Carol Concert

Thursday 14th December at 6pm in St Mary Magdalene Church - all families are invited – mince pies and mulled wine available, thanks to the Friends of Bolney.

Willow and Beech Nativity

Monday 18th December and Tuesday 19th December at **2.00pm**

Values trophies

Values trophies were awarded to:



Mrs Burton for showing our values all the time and Arthur for showing respect by being tidy.



Amelia for showing respect with her brilliant singing and Annabelle for showing love by cheering up others.



Harley for showing respect with his brilliant singing and Rosie for showing love by being a good, kind friend.

We finish the term on Wednesday 20th December when we will have our Christmas dinner together (all the staff serve the children).

We return to school on Thursday 4th January 2018 after all the fun festivities.

Thank-you all for your continued support with all that we do.

Mrs Kenny and all staff at Bolney CEP School