



# Dorset Road Infant School

## Autumn Term Newsletter

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21<sup>st</sup> October 2016

This first half term has flown by! Our Reception class have settled so well, and come in to school beautifully.

Years 1 and 2 have also settled in with their new teachers and classrooms. The whole school has enjoyed an action-packed half term, with Harvest

Festival (thank you so much for your generous donations to the Mottingham Foodbank), the Life Bus and a Year 2 visit to Bodiam Castle. We really appreciate the support our families give to the school – ensuring the children are here on time (excellent attendance this half term), accompanying us on walks and visits and helping at PTA events.



Wishing you a restful half term, and see you all again on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November.

### After school clubs Years 1 & 2

Please find attached the club application form for the next half term to Christmas.

We have multi-sport on Monday, ballet on Tuesday and freestyle dance on Thursday. I'm sorry, we are unable to run a club on Wednesday this half term.

Please complete and return the form at the start of term. Mrs Bale will text to confirm place.

Clubs will start the first week back. There will be no clubs the last (short) week of term.

### Applying for Year 3 place September 2017

Parents/Carers of Year 2 children must apply online for a Year 3 place at the linked junior/primary school. Castlecombe Primary is our linked school. Access to the admissions system is from your own local authority website. Bromley residents can apply at <http://www.eadmissions.org.uk>. The closing date is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2017

### Applying for Reception place September 2017

If you require a Reception place for September 2017, you can make an application at <http://www.eadmissions.org.uk>. You must apply by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2017. Further information on the Bromley Council website.

### Pride Postcards

Every half term, we send home 2 Pride Postcards, 2 per class, for all sorts of lovely reasons! Watch your letter box over the half term holiday!

The children will also be receiving 'Good to be Green' postcards if they have had no yellow or red cards all half term.

### Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

We raised a marvellous £300 for the Macmillan charity. Thank you to everyone who came or donated cakes and biscuits.

**PTO for more news and diary dates for next half term**



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### Good news!

We are very pleased to have achieved the silver award for Healthy Schools London. Last term Mrs Linford and Miss Dolby put a lot of hard work in to achieving this. Going for gold now!

We are also very pleased to be receiving £1484.35 from Nisa, as part of their community awards scheme. This money will subsidise items such as the school trips and “extras” in school such as sensory play equipment. Nisa will be presenting the cheque to the school at an assembly next term.

### Dates for your diary

Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	School closed, INSET day
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Children return to school
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 4.30 – 7.30pm	Parents’ Evening
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Dance Workshop for Years 1 and 2
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 3.30 – 5.30pm	Parents’ Evening
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> November 9.30am	Open Day for prospective parents
w/c Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Book Fair this week
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Children’s Christmas Fair
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 9.30 – 10.30am	Christmas Carol Concert at Castlecombe School, for Dorset Road and Castlecombe children
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 11.00am	Mottingham Library Christmas Coffee Morning, Dorset Road children singing carols
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 1.15 – 3.15pm	Numeracy workshop
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2.00pm	Nativity in the school hall, first performance
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 9.30am	Nativity in the school hall, second performance
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas dinner (someone in red might visit today, or at the party tomorrow...shh)
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Peter Pan pantomime in school in morning and Christmas party in the afternoon
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day (please bring £1.00 for charity) and last day of term



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