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Dear Parents and Carers,

There has been so much going on this week. On Monday the local authority visited the school for a progress review and we were all very pleased with the outcome which was highly positive with much to celebrate. The quality of teaching was commended as was the active participation of the children and the strong safeguarding culture of the school. Strength was demonstrated across the whole school, with all previous actions met. It was encouraging for us all to receive such positive feedback and great to know that our hard work pays off!

On Tuesday I I accompanied Dormouse and Hedgehog classes to Stanmer Park for a school trip. This was an enjoyable, if chilly day and it was lovely to spend time with the children! It was our Reception children's very first school trip and they all did incredibly well. Of course year 1 and 2 were fantastic ambassadors for the school and we received lots of positive comments from members of the public.

On Thursday I was the judge in the trial of the 'Big Bad Wolf' for Squirrel Class. I thoroughly enjoyed this and it was a real celebraton of the joy of learning. Ultimately, the jury, made up of parents were persuaded by the children's strong arguments to find the wolf innocent! A wonderful celebration of the children's learning ...if not justice!

Finally, thank you to Otter Class for their class assembly this week. They certainly know a great deal about early history, spoke with confidence and sang beautifully.

We are now approaching a very busy time of year, please do keep an eye out for events and messages!

Have a good weekend when it comes.

Mrs Newbold

No Toys in School Please!

Teachers have asked me to request that toys, Pokémon cards etc. are not brought into school unless for show and tell reasons, unfortunately there is little doubt that these do cause a distraction in class!

Thank you

Thank you to our wonderful community for supporting the Hampers! It was really heartwarming to see the school come together for our first 'Friends of Barns Green' initiative. We have enough for 4 hampers and tickets will be coming home next week. If you're able to buy some (there are plenty more for grandparents or the wider community) then please do because we are raising money for some outdoor improvements that will benefit all the children. Good luck to you all, the hampers are packed with Christmassy goodies!

With love from The Friends of Barns Green

Dates

December

Wednesday 3rd – KS1 Church walk

Friday 5th – Sewing VE bunting in Fox Class 1.15-2.30pm

Tuesday 9th - 2.30pm Nativity (Dormouse and Hedgehog Parents and Carers invited)

Wednesday 10th - 9.30am Nativity (Dormouse and Hedgehog Parents and Carers invited)

Friday 12th - Dormouse and Hedgehog Drop and Read 8.45-9.15am

Monday 15th – Fox Class WW2 learning celebration 2.45pm

Tuesday 16th - 2.30pm - Christmas concert - whole school (all parents/carers invited)

Wednesday 17th - 2.30pm - Christmas concert - whole school (all parents/carers invited)

Thursday 18th – Chartwells Christmas lunch

Friday 19th – Break up for Christmas holidays at 1.30pm

January

Monday 5th – Children back in school

Monday 19th – Young Voices choir at the O2

February

Thursday 12th – Break up for half-term at 3.20pm

Friday 13th – INSET day (no children in school)

Monday 23rd – Children back in school

March

Friday 13th – Year 5 Bikeability session (details to follow)

Friday 20th – Class photos

Friday 27th – Break up for Easter

April

Monday 13th – Children back in school