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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school and Happy New year to you all. I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas. We welcome Mrs Riley to Greece class and I know she is very keen to get to know all the children very quickly. We start the New Year very excited about the Tesco's Bags of Help scheme and we hope that all our supporters will donate their blue tokens to fund our Forest Schools project! You can read the details of this in the BPSCA Buzz newsletter.

Tesco Bags of Help Scheme

From 2nd January 2018 we will be part of the blue token scheme. To vote, you will need to make a purchase of any value within store. You will receive one token per transaction and it is not necessary to purchase a carrier bag in order to receive a token. The stores that are part of this scheme for us are Storrington Express, Billingshurst Express and Pulborough Metro.

We are running a competition alongside the blue token scheme. If you want to, take a picture of your child at the voting booths and tweet it to @BPSCA you could win £10 Tesco's voucher. You are entered every time you enter a picture so the more you do the more entries you will have and the greater the chance of winning. We are up against another local school so the more blue token donations the better. Remember to ask the cashier for a token if they do not give you one at the till.

Spare Tights for KS1

If anyone has any spare tights please can they hand them to reception – we always need spares if children fall over or get holes in their tights, thank you

Poster for Peace competition

This annual event is run by the Lions and every year gives the children the opportunity to design a poster for peace and enter a national competition to win prizes for themselves and the school. I will be sharing this with the children in assembly today and all posters need to be handed into the office by Thursday 8th March. Entries should be on A4 to A3 size paper and be able to be rolled for posting. There are certificates and prizes for the winner from each class and these winners will be forwarded to the South-East Regional finals where the winning posters could win prizes for the school and themselves. The title of this year's competition is 'The Future of Peace'. Each entry should have the child's name, class and school on the back of the poster.



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Clubs

Clubs start next week, Monday 8th January and run until Friday 23rd March. There are still spaces in the following clubs, but please let the office know if you want to book a place:

Choir – for both KS1 & KS2
Gymnastics
Crawley Football
Tennis (starts Feb 20th)
Kicks Dance
Street Dance
Billi Band
Alternative Multisports (1 place)

If you have booked your child on to a club that requires payment, please make sure you pay on ParentPay before the club starts.

Lost Property

All lost property will be put onto tables by the library from Monday 8th January to Friday 12th February inclusive. If you would like to come and see what is there please do so before and/or after school.

BPSCA News

BPSCA Buzz - Name Our Bee!

We hope that you enjoyed reading our first edition of BPSCA Buzz over the festive break. If you have not seen it, please check your child's book bag or email us at bpsca@billingshurstprimary.org.uk and we will send you a copy.

If your child would like to enter the competition to name our bee, the BPSCA Buzz box is in reception now along with nomination forms that can be completed and dropped in the box. All nominations need to be received by Thursday 11th January please.

Vacancies

Midday Meals Supervisors: We have Midday Meals Supervisors vacancies. If you are interested in this position, please collect an application form from the office or send us an email (office@billingshurstprimary.org.uk) and we can send you the form. We would also consider a job share if you and a friend want to apply together for one of the positions, as well as Bank Staff applications.

Yours sincerely,



Helen Williamson
Headteacher



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Dates for your Diary 2018

Spring Term: **Thursday 4th January** – Thursday 29th March 2018

Half Term: Monday 12th – Friday 16th February 2018

Inset Days: Friday 9th February, Monday 16th April

Mon 14th – Fri 18th May - KS2 NCT Week
Mon 4th – Fri 8th June 2018 - Year 6 Blackland Farm Residential

BPSCA Dates

BPSCA Meetings 2.00 pm Staff Room - 12th January, 2nd February, 9th March, 20th April,
11th May, 8th June, 13th July
Children's Quality Sale - Saturday 17th March
Quiz Night - 2nd February and 18th May
End of Term Cinema Afternoon - Wednesday 13th December, Tuesday 27th March,
Wednesday 18th July
Spring Fair - Thursday 26th April
Summer Fun Day - Saturday 14th July

Messy Church

Wednesdays 3.30-5.30pm - 7th February, 14th March, 18th April, 9th May
Billingshurst Centre 13th June and 11th July

(NB: Dates may be subject to change)



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