

Milborne Message 06.12.19

Message from Sharon Hunt!

Dear Parents,

Wednesday 4th December was **Christmas Lunch** and party day at Milborne First School. As they have done for over 40 years, parents of children in the school planned, prepared and served a delicious Christmas lunch for all staff, pupils, Governors and friends of the schools. The children really look forward to this throughout the year and it marks the start of the festive season for us all. After lunch Father Christmas comes to visit each class and the children have some fun playing traditional party games with their class. Many thanks to all the adult elves who helped both on the day and behind the scenes. It truly was a very special occasion.



Thank you too to **Pete Jackson** at **Lloyd Fraser** for our beautiful Christmas tree.



We have found some new resources which are free. We didn't know about all of them so thought you might not know either.

1. Borrow Box From Dorset West libraries. Using the number from your library card, e books can be downloaded free.
2. Oxford Owl website has lots of free e books

Thank you to all of you who were able to join us this afternoon for the **parent meeting**. I hope you found it interesting and informative. After the meeting a parent emailed me the following link to a podcast which embraces the same ethos and thinking. I really enjoyed listening to it and thought that over the festive season, we could all do with remembering some of the top tips I've already tried some of them out and it does work! <https://aca.st/15a337>

Bridge Educational Trust who fund trips and educational resources that you can apply to as parents. If you think you might have difficulty with the cost of a trip, especially Hooke Court, I would advise you to apply now at <https://www.bridgeducationaltrust.org.uk>

Wessex FM have been in to record the children in Raccoons singing '**Sleeps till Christmas**'. This will be on the Wessex FM on Wednesday 18th December at 7.15 am and 8.30 am and then available on their website. Hope you enjoy it!

We are using **Tapestry** to send you photos of what your child is doing in school and it is lovely to see the comments you make on these and how much the children enjoy sharing them with you. Hopefully it is also a conversation starter. We will also be adding assembly awards here so that you can see if your child has had a special award.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Yours sincerely,

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Key information

- **Christmas Jumper Day** - Next Friday, 13th December, the School Council invite everyone to wear their Christmas Jumpers and their school PE Kit for FiT Friday, in exchange for a £2.00 donation for another of their chosen causes this year.
- **Wellington Boots** - Please can all children take home their wellington boots for the holidays.
- **Safer Internet:-** Many children are talking about playing the game Fortnite at home. Please be aware that this game has a PEGI rating of 12 years old and is therefore not suitable for children under this age. Attached is guidance from the police safer internet team. More information about online safety is available on the school website.
- **After School Club - Spring term** - In January we have the opportunity for the Action Van to run an afterschool club on a Thursday afternoon 3 till 4pm. Please could parents let the School Office know either via email, eSchool message or direct whether your child is likely to be attending and their preference of activity (Tag rugby or Hockey Kwik Stix). Thank you.
- **Friends of School** - The next FoS meeting will be on 21st January 2020 @ 8pm in the Royal Oak Pub.
- **Flu Immunisation** - This is being done on Tuesday during the school day. If your child is *NOT* having the flu immunisation *you still need to register* and then tick the box to say NO and the reason. Thank you.
- **The Sun Newspaper** - The token collection period has now started, so please remember to ask any friends and family who buy The Sun newspaper or ask if they know anyone who does, to please keep the tokens printed daily. All tokens will need to be handed into the School Office so they can be registered on our 'Token Tally' each week.

Key Dates:-

- 13th Dec - Christmas Jumper day (Wear Christmas Jumper for £2 donation)
Friends of School - Carols around the Village (4:30pm - 6:00pm)
- 16th Dec - Reception Christmas Play
- 17th Dec - Robins (Y1 & Y2) Christmas Play
- 18th Dec - Raccoons (Y3 & Y4) Christmas Play
- 18th Dec - Carol Service @ Church (2:15pm - 3:00pm)
- 19th Dec - Raccoons (Y3 & Y4) Christmas Play
- 20th Dec - Last Day of Term (**1:15pm Close**)
- **21st Dec - 5th Jan - CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS**
- 6th Jan - Children back to school
- 21st Jan - FoS meeting (8pm in Royal Oak pub)

Wider Community Information:-

- **St Andrews Church, Milborne** - Christingle Service on 15th December 2019. Please refer to the flyer previously sent.
- Dorset Council Recycling news - Please follow the link to the latest newsletter and information:- <https://mailchi.mp/dorsetcouncil/recycle-for-dorset-august-2019-newsletter-3118937?e=5ad5011868>
- **FAMILY INFORMATION SERVICE** - Please follow the link to the latest newsletter and information:- <https://mailchi.mp/dorsetcouncil/novemberfisnewsletter?e=5ad5011868>
- **Parent Support** - Please see the attached flyer for DIY Dads Timetable



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