

Dartmoor
Multi Academy
Trust
...everyone in our Trust.



Respectful, Resourceful, Resilient

A creative approach to learning where all pupils can succeed

Newsletter **Friday 25th November 2022**

This week's
attendance
was:
92%

Dear parents/carers,

How can we be resourceful?



This week we have continued to explore what being resourceful means. The children have been embedding the **S B's – Brain, Board, Book, Buddy and Boss**, using these to support their learning and developing independence. Staff have seen children making great connections in their learning by revisiting previous learning in their books, using the displays in the classroom and talking through their learning with each other. It has been lovely to see the children grow in their own confidence to complete tasks in small groups through great questioning and explanations they have shared with each other this week. Staff will continue to develop these skills with the children through the range of learning challenges they prepare for the children. Keep up the great learning everyone!

Every Family: 12 Days of Christmas

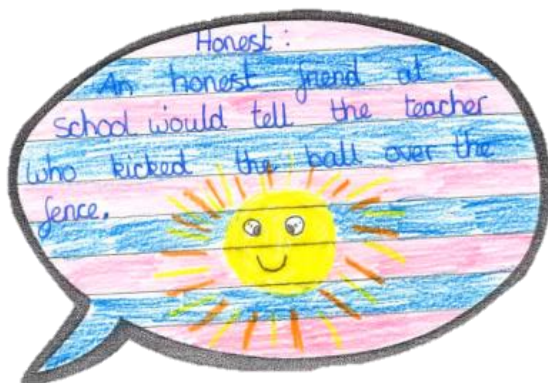
Spurgeon's charity has launched a new festive campaign to help support parents in navigating family life during the Christmas season. The Advent campaign *Every Family: 12 Days of Christmas* launches next Thursday 1st December and includes daily expert advice from qualified counsellors and parent support workers, who understand the complexities of family life during Christmas. The resource includes free or low-cost activities for the family, along with advice on talking to children about uncertainty in the world and managing stress. Please click on the link below to find out more. There is also an opportunity to win Charlie the giant teddy bear! <https://everyfamily.spurgeons.org/>



Volunteers wanted!

If you have any spare time available during the week we would really appreciate adult helpers to hear children read, support with their learning and get creative with displays. Please speak to a member of staff to get a volunteer application pack. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

This week the children have continued to develop our tree of friendship. In our PSHE lessons the children have discussed the qualities of a 'good friend' which we have recorded on our colourful blossoms. The children and staff will be dominating children who display these qualities around school with others. Children in Oketor class explored the qualities in depth and wrote their own definitions for their classroom display. The colourful blossoms will be filled over the coming weeks with children who have been dominated for demonstrating how they have been honest, caring, helpful, friendly, forgiving, considerate, loyal and have shown kindness. We know that the children will soon fill the tree with lots of beautiful blossoms, as we see these qualities



every day in the children of Boasley Cross.

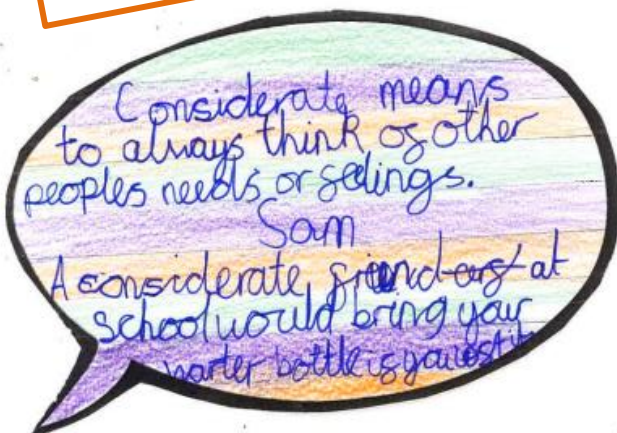


'Building on what has been said, it has made me think about how I can be a good friend to others.' Year 6

'I think it has been helpful to think about why someone is a good friend. I have lots of friends at Boasley, but it has made me think about why they are my friend.' Year 5



'Being honest can be tricky but it is the right thing to do.' Year 6



'It's good to forgive your friends because everybody makes mistakes.' Year 4





Christmas Jumper Day

We would like to support Save the Children this year with our Christmas jumper Day (suggested £1 donation). Although the official date this year is Thursday 8th December, we have

chosen to have our school Christmas jumper day on **Wednesday 14th December** when we have our school Christmas dinner. We would greatly appreciate any donations of old Christmas jumpers that no longer fit, which can be shared with other children across the school. Old jumpers can be left in the Christmas box that will be available in the front lobby from next week.



Nativity at the Chapel

We would like to warmly invite our parents and wider community of Boasley Cross to join us in our retelling of the Nativity story in the last week of term. The children will lead the nativity and singing at the **Chapel on Wednesday 14th December at 9am**. Please do come and join us for a beautiful celebration.

Naturemakes Workshop

A huge thank you to FOBCS who have organised a Naturemakes workshop on Tuesday 6th December. If you would like to come and support your child with the range of activities, please speak to your child's class teacher for more details.

As the weather continues to get colder, can we ask that children bring a warm coat with them to school each day. In between the downpours of rain, we try our best to get the children outside for some fresh air during break and lunch times. It is also important that the children bring their drinks bottles as we encourage regular drinking throughout the school day.

Wishing
you all a
wonderful
weekend,

Mrs Cook



Congratulations to Olivia who won the chance to take home the reading basket this week, by reading at least 5 times.

FOBCS Book Winner!
Stan



School Diary

November/December 2022

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| Monday 28 th | Forest School with Ranger Rob- Whole School Dance after school club, 3-4pm Super Sixes after school club, 3-4pm |
| Tuesday 29 th | Forest School with the Devon Wildlife Trust- Whole School YrR-6 Flu Immunisation Programme Board Game after school club, 3-4pm |
| Wednesday 30 th | Martial Arts after school club, 3-4pm (Grading) KS1 Kodaly music after school club, 3-4pm |
| Thursday 1 st | PE with Mr Pugh- whole school Tag Rugby after school club, 3-4pm |
| Friday 2 nd | Celebration Assembly, 2:40pm |



- **Mon 28th November** - Whole School Forest School (Ranger Rob)
- **Tues 29th November** - Whole School Forest School (Devon Wildlife Trust)
- **Tues 29th November**- Whole School Flu Immunisation programme
- **Wed 30th November**- Last day for FOBCS hamper donations
- **Tues 6th December**- Parents Forum 5pm
- **Tues 6th December** - Forest School for Wildlife Champions only (Devon Wildlife Trust)
- **Tues 6th December**- Naturemakes Workshop (FOBCS)
- **Thurs 8th December**- School Christmas Performance, 1:30pm
- **Wed 14th December** - Christmas Lunch Day & Christmas Jumper Day
- **Wed 14th December**- Nativity & songs in the Chapel, 9am
- **Thurs 15th December**- 'Robin Hood' Pantomime at the Northcott Theatre
- **Fri 16th December**- Last day of term



Star Learners

Mason has made a huge amount of progress with his reading and writing this term. He is recognising lots of words quickly when he reads and using lots of sounds he knows when he writes.



Marnie- her outstanding attitude and determination to extend her learning in all areas of the curriculum, in particular her self-motivation when consolidating

School Value: Resourceful Award



Reuben is always well prepared for his learning activities. He thinks about what he needs for each task and independently uses the resources around the room to help when he is stuck.

Amelia continues to use her own initiative and resourcefulness to support not only her own learning but to also enrich the learning environment for all those around her.





Boasley Cross Carol Service

Boasley Cross Methodist Church are holding their annual Carol Service on *Sunday 18th December at 6.30pm* and they'd like to invite you!

This is a family service with everyone welcome, whatever your age, so please come along and enjoy a sing song whilst getting into the festive spirit.



FOBCS FESTIVE Hampers

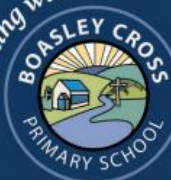
Have you any festive food or drink treats you could donate to help FOBCS create their fabulous Christmas hampers?

We would love your help - There is a box inside the school gate where any hamper donations can be placed before the 30th November.

Thank You!



Working with...



F O B C S

Friends of Boasley Cross School

Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

Until...

| | |
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| Chickenpox | at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over |
| Diarrhoea and Vomiting | 48 hours after their last episode |
| Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19) | they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19. |
| Impetigo | their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics |
| Measles | 4 days after the rash first appeared |
| Mumps | 5 days after the swelling started |
| Scabies | they've had their first treatment |
| Scarlet Fever | 24 hours after they started taking antibiotics |
| Whooping Cough | 48 hours after they started taking antibiotics |

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

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|----------------------|-----------------|
| Hand, foot and mouth | Glandular fever |
| Head lice | Tonsillitis |
| Threadworms | Slapped cheek |



SCAN ME

Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.