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At Binsted we believe in the Christian values of Faith, Hope & Love.

8th December 2025

Dear Parents,

After a wonderful Christmas Fair on Saturday it is really starting to feel Christmassy in school. I would like to say a huge thankyou to all those who attended and helped our amazing FOBs team raise money. It was so nice to walk round and receive so many lovely messages of support for the school. Many were the same people who attended the Young at Heart Tea Party hosted by Silver Birch last week, and a huge thankyou must go to Miss Bunce and the children who provided such an enjoyable afternoon for the grandparents, local villagers and others. I was so proud of all the children for delivering such a lovely afternoon for us all. A massive thankyou to Chris Wilson who has once again supplied the staging in the church for this week's Nativity performance by KS1. It makes such a huge difference for the children performing in our beautiful church.

Thankyou FOBS

Another big thankyou to Jenny Matthews, the FOBS helpers and all parents for supplying the money for the Christmas Shop this year. The children really enjoyed selecting their presents and much excitement was caused by being able to choose presents for family and friends.

Last week for After School Sports Clubs

This will be the last week for after school sports clubs. These will not run in the final week of term. Please also note that there is no After School Club on the last day of term- Friday 19th December.

Christmas Cards

Our Christmas post box is now in the library for children to post their Christmas Cards to their friends. Our Year 6 postmasters will be delivering the cards to the classrooms each day. To help them, please make sure that cards are addressed correctly with name and class name on the envelope.

Music Concerts

We are looking forward to hosting the Hampshire Music Service and iRock concerts this week. If your child has music lessons or attends iRock please try and make it. The Christmas concerts are always really lovely. HMS is on Monday 8th Dec at 2:30 and iRock is on Tuesday 9th Dec at 2:45. Please come to the office 5 minutes before the concerts are due to start and Mrs Lucas will sign you in.

KS1 Nativity Performance

The children in Oak and Rowan Class are working hard, learning their lines and the catchy songs ready for our KS1 Nativity performance on Thursday 11th December at 2pm. It will be held at Holy Cross Church, which is always lovely. In order to allow the children and staff to set up and be ready to give their best performance, access to the church will not be available until 1:45pm. Please do not arrive before then as you will be asked to wait outside.

Santa Dash – Friday 12th December

We are taking part in a Golden Mile Christmas event on Friday 12th December. Children can wear in Christmas jumpers with their school uniform on 12th December and we will be taking part



in a whole school Santa Run. We are raising money for the Samaritans Christmas Present Appeal. We are suggesting a donation of £2 per child, which you can give via Just Giving [here](#). Please do not send cash on the day as the post office is not no longer accepting coins from us.

Carol Singing – Tuesday 16th December at 6pm

One of our favourite events over the Christmas period is our annual sing-a-long at the local pub. This year we are excited to be at The Barn Owl in Blacknest at 6pm. Please come along and join our wonderful choir in some Christmasy singing.

Christmas Lunch – Wednesday 17th December

Caterlink are pleased to offer our children a wonderful Christmas Lunch on Wednesday 17th December. It is a lovely fun and Christmassy lunchtime, with staff serving the meal and Christmas music playing. Our wonderful FOBS have worked their magic again this year and Tesco have donated Christmas Crackers for the children, for which we are very grateful. Please select your child's lunch option [here](#) before Wednesday 10th December.

Lessons and Carols

A reminder about Lessons and Carols At 2pm at The Holy Cross Church. It is a lovely service lead by Silver Birch class. All parents are welcome and the choir will be performing as well. KS1 and Beech class will remain in school.

Christmas Party Day

On Friday 19th December we will be having our Christmas Party in the afternoon. The children are welcome to wear their party clothes in from the start of the day. Please do not send them in in new clothing as they may get muddy at playtime. Fun, casual clothing is absolutely perfect!

Lost Property

Please collect any lost property by next Friday. Any clothing left in the box will be put in the clothing bank after school on the 19th December.

Henry Jennings

We at Binsted CE School take our safeguarding duties very seriously and if you have any concerns regarding a child, young person or adult who may be at risk of harm please contact one of the following in the strictest confidence:

Designated Safeguarding Lead
Deputy Safeguarding Lead
Safeguarding Governor

Henry Jennings
L-J Lucas
Sally Hibbert

The School's Safeguarding and Child Protection policies for 2025 to 2026 on the school website.

Our SENCo is Lora Bowden who can be reached via Senco@binsted.hants.sch.uk

Our Mental Health lead is Vicki Dewey who can be reached via adminoffice@binsted.hants.sch.uk



**SCHOOL CALENDAR
ACADEMIC YEAR
2025 – 2026
NOTABLE DATES**

December		
Mon 8 th Dec	14:30	HMS Christmas Concert
Tues 9 th Dec	14:45	iRock Concert
Thurs 11 th Dec	2:00 – 3:00	KS1 Nativity – Holy Cross Church
Fri 12 th Dec		Christmas Jumper Day and Santa Dash for Charity
Tues 16 th Dec	6:00	Carol Singing at The Barn Owl, Blacknest
Mon 15 th December	2:30 – 3:30	Headteacher Tea Party (by invitation)
Wed 17 th Dec		Christmas Lunch
Thurs 18 th December	2:00- 3:00	KS2 Lessons and Carols – Holy Cross Church
Fri 19 th December	1:00 – 3:30	Class Christmas Party
		END OF TERM
January		
Mon 5 th January		START OF TERM
Wed 21 st January		Y4, Y5, Y6 Young Voices – 02, London
Thurs 22 nd January	In by 10:00am	Slow Start for those at Young Voices only
February		
Fri 13 th February		INSET DAY
Fri 27 th February		Interim reports to parents
Mon 16 th – Fri 20 th February		HALF TERM
March		
Tues 17 th March	3:40 – 5:30	Parents Evening
Wed 18 th March		House Day - Spirituality
Thurs 19 th March	5:00 – 7:00	Parents Evening
Fri 27 th March	2:00 – 3:30	Easter Service – Holy Cross Church
		END OF TERM
April		
Mon 13 th April		START OF TERM
May		
Mon 4 th May		BANK HOLIDAY
Mon 25 th – Fri 29 th May		HALF TERM
June		
Mon 1 st June		INSET DAY
Fri 26 th June		Reports to Parents
July		
Thurs 2 nd July	3:30 – 5:00	Informal Parents Evening
Tues 7 th July	2:00 – 3:30	KS2 Performance Dress Rehearsal
Wed 8 th July	6:00 – 8:00	KS2 Performance
Thurs 9 th July	6:00 – 8:00	KS2 Performance
Mon 13 th July	2:45 – 3:30	End of Year Awards Assembly
Wed 15 th July	1:00 – 3:30	Sports Day and Governors Awards Ceremony
Thurs 16 th July		Leavers BBQ
Mon 20 th July	TBC	Reserve Sports Day
Tues 21 st July	11:00- 12:00	Leavers Service – Holy Cross Church
	12:00- 1:00	End of year picnic – school grounds
Wed 22 nd July		INSET DAY
		END OF TERM





Thanks to everyone that volunteered, lugged boxes/ trees, set up, packed down, attended or loaned their wares for our Christmas Lego competition and Grotto at Holy Cross Church on Saturday! It truly got us into the Christmas spirit.

The amazing Lego entries are being judged by Iconic Bricks and we'll announce the outcome as soon as possible.

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JOIN **BINSTED CE PRIMARY**
SCHOOL AT THE BARN OWL,
BLACKNEST FOR A CHRISTMAS
CAROL SING-A-LONG
TUESDAY 16TH DECEMBER
6PM



THE BARN OWL, BINSTED ROAD, BLACKNEST,
ALTON, GU34 4QD

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
FREE ENTRY

