



BANNOCKBURN
Primary School



Special Events

December 2018 Newsletter

Car Safety, Pollution and Local Community

The following are some practical ideas/observations that you may want to consider:

- If at all possible, please choose **not** to drive your children to and from school as this exacerbates pollution in the school vicinity. Note that pollution levels are often higher inside cars even when the windows are shut.
- For those who continue to drive, please do not leave car engines on around the school vicinity.
- For those walking and cycling, try to plan a route to and from school that sticks to side roads or goes through parks or other green areas.
- A reminder that although school staff are on the gates in the morning, it is the responsibility of the adults driving to ensure that they are driving/parking safely. *We will be passing offenders details on to the Police.*
- We ask that you refrain from 'road rage' and using inappropriate language, particularly around the school vicinity. *We will be passing offenders details on to the Police.*

94% of children at Bannockburn live within walking distance of the school!!



SUPPORTING SCHOOL FUNDRAISING

With Christmas approaching, now is a great time to register with Easy Fundraising and nominate Bannockburn Primary School as your cause. Every time you shop online, a donation will be made to the school - at no extra cost to you!

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/cause/s/bannockburnps/>

Christmas Cards

*If children wish to give Christmas Cards to each other, we would ask that this is done in the playground **before** and **after** the school day. Thank you*

Attendance

Please make sure that **all** children are in on time and attend every day.

Christmas Trees

If anyone would like the Christmas Tree from HS (from 17th December) please let the school office know.

- **Mon 3rd December:** Police in assemblies to celebrate Christmas Tree Toy Donations. *Last chance for donations...*
- **Thurs 6th December:** Spelling Bee Final 3.10pm@HS and 3.30pm@MW. *If you need your child collected from MW because you have a participant in the HS final – please inform the school office and they can join the walking bus.*
- **Fri 7th December:** Christmas Fair 3pm-5pm @MW
- **Fri 15th December:** Festive/Winter Jumper Day. *Children have the opportunity to wear a festive/winter jumper **with** their own clothes to raise money that can help save children's lives. 50p-£1 suggested donation – 'Save the Children'.*
- **Thursday 20th December:** School closes normal time for the end of term holiday. *Play Club will finish at 6pm.*
- **Thursday 3rd January:** Spring Term (Back to School).



HUGE Thank you!!



Since the last newsletter you have helped us to raise:

£284 for Children in Need

You have also donated a fantastic selection of presents for the Christmas Tree Project!

2019 Changes and Updates

- ★ Mrs Seeranj will begin weekly **Baby and Toddler Sensory Sessions** that will include music and movement, action songs and finger play. These sessions are designed to support your child's vocabulary, learning the sounds of words and hearing the rhythm of language. Children can also gain memory, social, large and small motor skills. **See posters on each site.**
- ★ The **School Nurse** has drop in sessions each month for anyone wishing to discuss any health issues regarding your children. This can include support for healthier lifestyles as a family.
- ★ **BIRTHDAYS:** Linking to our 'Healthy School' focus for all children – we will no longer give out birthday sweets, cakes, crisps etc. if you wish to give anything to your child's class then suggestions include: raisins, bubbles, pencils, fruit bars or a book for the whole class.
- ★ Following on from the **cycle and scooters racks** at High Street, we will be installing storage at **Manor Way** during the Spring Term.
- ★ Camrose Street fence will be replaced in the Spring Term to increase safety and also improve aesthetics of our school border @MW.

On the 14th of November we welcomed an external assessor regarding our inclusion of **all** children. The IQM full report is due in soon to confirm whether we have Flagship Status for the school.



Thank you to all parents/carers, governors, pupils, staff and members of our school community for your support during the process. The full report will be found on the school website from next week, however, the following sections give an overview of the feedback:

“The pupils are happy, confident and feel safe.”

“Parents could not speak highly enough about the way they have been treated. Parents of children with SEN are consulted before, during and after any intervention.”

“The headteacher has instilled a culture of continual improvement.”

“The children move around the building quietly and show respect to each other, staff and visitors.”

KS2 children said there are, ‘high expectations for learning’. They know their views are represented by the Junior Leadership Team and that staff will investigate an issue if there is a problem. They recognise this is a good learning environment where they are encouraged to do their best. Children understand that working hard and receiving a good education will help them later in life.

VALUE OF THE MONTH

“ Kindness is
a gift everyone can
afford to give. ”



Round 2 of the National Young Mathematicians Awards 2018

Good luck to Michelle, Dev, Tobi and Shawn on Wednesday 5th December.

They all impressed the organisers in the 1st round with their ability to record strategies and consider everyone's ideas.

