



# Borden

## Newsletter

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Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018



### Dates for the Diary

#### **Ridham Biomass Facility Visit Beech Class**

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March

#### **FOBS Easter Bake Sale**

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March

#### **Easter Service**

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March  
2.30pm

#### **End of Term 4**

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March

#### **Start of Term 5**

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April

#### **Kent Fire & Rescue Visit**

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

Another busy week has passed here at Borden and we have been pleased to welcome several visitors to school.

One of the strengths of working within the Academy Trust is the increased opportunity to work with other schools. On Monday, I joined together with Mrs Hurst, the headteacher at Minterne Junior School, to carry out learning walks in both schools. I was very proud to show her the great work happening here at Borden and to see the excitement our pupils showed for their learning. I was also grateful for being made to feel so welcome at Minterne and to see the good experiences pupils are having there.

On Tuesday we were lucky enough to be visited by author Jack Trelawny who led an exciting workshop with our pupils in the morning. We had some very proud prize winners after the session too!

We also welcomed some of our governors for a monitoring visit on Tuesday. Father Robert joined us for the day and led our worship first thing, before joining me in monitoring actions carried out from the School Development Plan. Mrs Stewart, our Chair of Governors, joined us later in the morning and both enjoyed spending time in classes and leading some pupil conferencing in the afternoon. Our pupils were very keen to talk about their learning at school and responded in a very mature, confident and positive way about changes that we have made this year as well as offering their ideas for future development (the boys would like mirrors in the toilets as they have nowhere to do their hair!). Thank you to all of the children who took part, you made us all very proud.

Next week will be a very quiet week as our Year 5 and 6 pupils head off to Kingswood. They are all very excited (as are the staff joining them!) and we can't wait to hear all about their adventures. Thank you to all of the staff who are volunteering to join them for the week. We hope you manage to get some sleep!

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### Hinduism Workshops

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April

### Living Land Trip

Yr 3/4/5

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May

### SATs Week Yr 6

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May

### Staff Training Day

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May

### Half Term

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May

### Class Photographs

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June

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### Poppy Appeal

**Knit and Natter – 2-5pm Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March**

**On Saturday afternoon Father Robert and volunteers will be hosting a Knit and Natter at The Forge. This is an opportunity for people of all ages to join together to participate in the poppy making challenge. You don't need to be able to knit as there will be other fun craft options available.**

In case you missed it last week – here is a simple poppy pattern to try!

#### Easy Garter Stitch Poppy

You will need: UK 9/3.75 needles

Red yarn

Button for the centre

#### Body of poppy:

Cast on 70 stitches.

Knit 8 rows garter stitch.

Row 9 – 11 knit 2 tog across row

#### Finishing:

Cut the yarn and thread

Sew the edges to form a round

Sew the button to the centre

### This Week's Special Achievers

Willow Class

Mrs Dunk awarded a whole Class Merit

Maple Class

Jacob, Christine, Honor, William and James

Cherry Class

Nathan, Lily J, Ethan D and Lottie

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## Healthy Living Week

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June

## Sports Day and Family

### Picnic

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June

## End of Term

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July

### Library News!

Plans for our library refurbishment are moving ahead but we still need lots of paint. Please have a look in your sheds and cupboards for any remnants of emulsion paint that we might be able to make use of. Natural colours are our top priority - greens, browns etc. but any donation will be most welcome!

### Easter Bake Sale

The Friends of Borden School will be holding an Easter bake sale after school on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March. Look out for their Facebook page for more details.

### School Motto

Over the next term, we are going to begin thinking about creating a new school motto which represents us as a Christian school community. We will be carrying out some work with pupils, staff and governors in school and would also love to hear your ideas. If you have any suggestions, please speak to us, write us a note or email Mrs Godsell at: [Headteacher@borden.kent.sch.uk](mailto:Headteacher@borden.kent.sch.uk).

We would love to hear your ideas.

### Prayer for Community

As we continue through this special period of Lent, we have been reflecting this week about the communities that we are part of and how important it is to feel that we belong somewhere. We have thought about what it means to be a member of the community of God and the Church and how special this is to us.

*Dear God*

*We thank you for the gift of community. Thank-you for the communities in which we work and live. Thank you for the community that is your Body, the Church.*

*Fill us with your spirit today so that, as one, we reflect your light and love to each other and the to the world,*

*Amen*

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