



Autumn Term – November Update 3

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It is all steam ahead with many Christmas activities planned for the last two weeks. Don't forget the Year 3 and 4 concert at St Saviours on Tuesday 10th December and Christmas dinner for the children on Wednesday 11th December.

Lost property- Staff members have very kindly been washing jumpers and checking for names. On the Gingerbread Village Day, all lost property will be put out for parents to collect. Please remember to label all school uniform.

Mr Armoogum

Autumn Term 2024 Dates

22 nd Nov	INSET DAY
10 th Dec	Yr3&4 Carol Concert
11 th Dec	Christmas Lunch
12 th Dec	PTA Christmas Hamper Raffle draw
14 th Dec	PTA Odyssey trip
16 th Dec	Yr 5 Production
19 th Dec	Gingerbread village.
20 th Dec	END OF TERM AT 1:30PM
7 th Jan	TERM STARTS
22 nd Jan	Yr 6 Young Voices at 02

Useful Links

Website: [Bernards Heath Junior school](#)
 Instagram: [Bheathjuniors](#)
 Facebook: [Bernards Heath Junior School](#)

Gingerbread Village

Just a reminder that we are setting up our gingerbread village in the hall on the week of Monday 16th December and are hoping lots of families will get involved. Your building can be made from a kit or you can make it from scratch. You do not have to make a house but could make anything that you might find in a town. **Please bring your creations in on Wednesday 18th December** to the classroom so we can set up the village.



They should be brought to school on sturdy boards so they can be easily carried. It would be good if the boards are only slightly bigger than the creations and if they are covered with white paper or silver foil.

Classes will visit the display on Thursday 19th December and parents can come and visit after school on the same day. The village will be dismantled on Friday 20th, ready to be taken home at the end of the school day. *We look forward to this new BHJS event and hope there are many contributions for our gingerbread village.*

Opportunity to join our team

We have a great opportunity for a new TA to join our team.

We have always had a close relationship with our community with many ex pupils and parents joining our BHJS staff family.

If you would like to apply or know someone who might be interested, you can find the job details and application on Teach in Herts and search for Bernards Heath Junior School. Alternatively, click [here](#) to take you to the website.

If you would like more information, please speak to Mr Armoogum.

Closing date for application is Friday 13th December.

Reverse Advent Calendar- Year 6

A Reverse Advent Calendar is when you gift other people items instead of receiving these gifts yourself. We would like you to bring in as many of these 25 items (see flyer) as you can and the school will deliver the gifts to the homeless. Some people aren't as lucky as we are at Christmas so we will need all your help for this.

From the Year 6 House Captains

PTA update

Thank you for all the hamper donations and a huge thank you to our PTA and parent helpers.

Please return all raffle tickets by 9am on Thursday 12th December.



Free Parenting workshops

Supporting Links are delighted to let you know about **10 FREE online workshops** that have been commissioned by HCC for **all** parents and carers in Herts.

These short, single topic, interactive sessions are **universal** workshops so suitable for **anyone** with parental responsibility and will all take place during the Spring Term. We will provide insights and practical solutions for typical parenting issues.

[Bitesize Parenting for parents in Herts | Eventbrite](#)

Traffic updates

It was lovely to see our latest parking initiative making many people smile this morning. Thank you to all the parents that continue to be kind and considerate with parking around school.

Just a remind to look at and join the petition started by Mrs Rimmer.

Hello from Bernards Heath Infants and Juniors!

We have been working on trying to bring about changes to make our children's routes to school safer. As close neighbours we are hoping you will be an ally in our work. Please sign the petition on [Change.org](#) using this link [<https://chnq.it/sSm9GJWHwz>]/(<https://chnq.it/sSm9GJWHwz>) and then share the link far and wide!



Books

Our new **Scholastic Book Club is up and running!** Go to <https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/bernards-heath-al3/digital-book-club> to browse the latest books and order online. For **every £1 you spend** on our Autumn

Book Club, **our school will earn 20p** in Scholastic Rewards. You will also find a selection of Christmas books. Please place your **order online by December 9th, 2024.**

We would also like to let you know about our Amazon wish list for the Library, please see the link below.

<https://amzn.eu/cUGdnqi>. We have created an Amazon wish list of books that teachers and children 'wished' to see on their library shelves. We would like to thank all participants for their contributions. It means that the library continues to provide the Junior School children with an imaginative choice of books. The wonderful selection of books we have has given many children a lifelong enjoyment of reading.

Reminder e-mails:

The school office receives a large volume of e-mails. Please can you ensure that you put the child's name and class in the subject header to ease burden on the school office.



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School Nurse

Please see the following if you would like to contact the school nursing team.

Duty line: 0300 123 7572 (Mon-Fri 9am-5pm).

The referral website, which also has information about the service – scan the QR code.

