

# park life

Buckingham Park Church of England School Newsletter

## Thanksgiving

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Last week, across America, families were celebrating Thanksgiving. 'Thanksgiving Day' in the United States is an important national holiday, celebrated in family groups, and held on the fourth Thursday each November.

On 'Thanksgiving Day', Americans remember the 120 Pilgrims who set sail from Plymouth in the summer of 1620 in their ship, the 'Mayflower'. They called their place of landing New Plymouth, and the area became known as New England in the USA. Half of the small colony's number died during their first winter. Then they received help from the Native Americans. Joining together, both groups celebrated a day of thanksgiving for the harvest in the autumn of 1621.

One of our school values is Thankfulness. It is important that we all, children and adults, remember to pause to remember and give thanks for what has been good in our lives: for people who have given us love and care, friendship and support, for our health and talents, for the opportunities that come to us, and for our school community.

In this busy season, we will be helping our children to be thankful for all they have and enjoy.

Best wishes,

*Nick Waldron*

## Data Sheets

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With this copy of 'Park Life', you will receive a copy of your child's data sheet. The data sheet is printed from our school management information system and contains all the contact information for your child.

Please check this sheet carefully and return it to the school office by Friday. Please pay particular attention to addresses, contact numbers and email addresses. If there are any changes, or anything to add, simply write directly onto the sheet – please write clearly!



If there are no changes or additions, please tick the small box on the attached label and return it to the school office anyway – then we won't have to chase you for your form. Thank you.



## Thank you for 'Going Pyjamas'!

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A big thank you to you all for 'Going Pyjamas' on Friday. We had a fun day in our night wear and we raised £120 for BBC Children in Need.

Thanks for your support.

## Need housing help and advice?

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Rent arrears?  
Benefit issues?

Facing eviction?  
Trouble paying bills?

### Bucks Floating Support



The Bucks Floating Support Service provides housing related support to people aged over 16 years old and living in Buckinghamshire. BFSS support people who are in temporary accommodation, social housing, private rented accommodation and those whose mortgaged properties are at risk of being repossessed.

You can call BFSS on 01296 484322.

## You'd better watch out, you'd better not cry...

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... You'd better not pout, I'm telling you why; Santa Claus is coming to town!

The Rotary Club of Aylesbury Father Christmas Float is coming to Buckingham Park on the 4th December. The float will travel through the estate from 6pm-8pm collecting for local charities.

This will be a great event for all residents, young and old, to see Father Christmas and enter into the Christmas spirit!



## Mobile Library

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The Buckinghamshire mobile library will be visiting Jubilee Square this week from 10.10am until 11.00am.

You can use the mobile library if you are a member of any Buckinghamshire Library, or you can join on Friday. Your children can also become members.

Please make good use of this library service. If we make good use of it, the service will continue to make regular visits to Buckingham Park!

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