



# HOMELINK

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Dear Parents and Pupils,

As you can see our marvellous PTA FONDS have been very busy organising a range of events. I have loved seeing all of your Christmas card designs as they have come into the office. Next week we have our first cake sale followed by discos, Bingo and a Christmas Fayre. The Bags2School date (17th November) is always a popular one in the Neighbour household as it gives us a chance to contribute while decluttering a house that sometimes feels like it's bursting at the seams. It's amazing how much stuff/clothing you amass when you have three children that seem to constantly have growth spurts. FONDS do a wonderful job raising funds and providing the children with lifelong memories.

William Neighbour

## Key Dates

### October 2023

- 16th Parents Evenings 3:30pm to 6:30pm
- 18th Parents Evenings 4:30pm to 7:30pm
- 19th FONDS Cake Sale
- 20th Break up for half term at 3.10pm
- 30th Children Start Back

### November 2023

- 2nd FONDS Halloween Disco
- 6th Reception Year 2024 Open Event at 9:00am
- 10th FONDS Bags2School
- 14th Flu Immunisation (whole school)
- 17th Children in Need –Wear something spotty to school
- 17th FONDS Musical Bingo
- 23rd Reception Year 2024 Open Event at 7:00pm
- 24th INSET - School closed to children
- 30th Reception Year 2024 Open Event at 9:00am

### December 2023

- 1st FONDS Christmas Fayre
- 11th KS2 Christmas Service at 10:00am
- 12th Infant Nativity at 10:00am & 2:00pm
- 13th Infant Nativity at 10:00am
- 13th Volunteers Christmas Party
- 14th School Christmas Lunch
- 15th Break up for Christmas at 1.30pm

### January 2024

- 2nd INSET - School closed to children
- 3rd Children Start Back

### February 2024

- 9th Break up for half term at 3.10pm
- 19th Children Start Back

### March 2024

- 28th Break up for Easter at 1.30pm

YOU ARE INVITED TO  
**FONDS HALLOWEEN DISCO**

THURSDAY 2ND  
NOVEMBER

YEAR R,1,2,3 @ 4:45 - 6:00  
YEAR 4,5,6 @ 6:15 - 7:30

£5 TICKET INCLUDES DJ, DRINKS, CRISPS AND GLOW BANDS

IN ORDER FOR FONDS TO PURCHASE REFRESHMENTS, PLEASE PAY IN ADVANCE ONLINE QUOTING THE CHILD'S NAME AND CLASS

FRIENDS OF NEWLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL  
SORT CODE : 30 64 37  
ACCOUNT : 60560560

FANCY DRESS IS OPTIONAL

FRIDAY 17TH  
NOVEMBER  
DOORS OPEN 7PM

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**MUSICAL**  
**BINGO**

Fundraiser  
For  
Newlands  
School

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## Beech Class - October 2023

Year 5 has had a busy start to the term and has been introduced to a wide variety of topics from outer space to the water cycle.

In English, we have enjoyed reading our class text, 'The Jamie Drake Equation' and describing our own alien creatures. We have recently been researching about Tim Peake and using our knowledge to write about his life. The children have particularly enjoyed our art lessons, where we have practiced portraiture and used shading to create depth.

Our trip to Winchester Science Centre has been a real highlight of the term. Whilst there, we used the computers to create a code that made robots dance, we watched an exciting planetarium show and we finished the trip by exploring the exhibits and trying the wide variety of activities on offer.

