



**Bodsham Church of England  
Primary School**

**Federation  
of**



**Saltwood Church of England  
Primary School**



We have been exploring the idea of singing songs of praise. The children gave thoughtful answers when asked 'how do we know God loves us to sing?' What effect does singing have on your mood? What is your child's favourite hymn or song of praise?

2<sup>nd</sup> November 2018

### Parent Governor Elections

You will have received the ballot papers for the election of our new parent governor. Completed ballot papers should be returned to school in a sealed envelope by 12.00 noon on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November. You must write your name and address on the envelope along with the names of your children. We have already received some votes that were not in sealed envelopes and there is a risk that such votes may not be counted!



### Christmas Bazaar Help Needed – Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December

"Please keep an eye out for the sign-up sheets for the Christmas Bazaar – they will be going up on classroom doors very soon! Also, there will be additional volunteer slips in your child's book bag so please do sign up to help if you can – all the fundraising proceeds will go towards new play equipment for the school playground"

### Applying for a primary school place in September 2019

Applications for transfer to primary school for September 2019 open on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018 and close at midnight on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019. We are holding open events for prospective parents so spread the word to anyone who might be looking for a school place. Contact the office for details.

### Armistice Centenary

Before the holiday, each pupil made a special poppy picture to help commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Armistice. The Hythe Local History Group have said: 'We just wanted to say how wonderful the poppies made by the children are. Such a lot of care and thought went into making them. Please could you pass on my thanks to them – and to all the staff who made it happen.' We look forward to seeing the poppies displayed alongside the biographies of Saltwood and Hythe soldiers in all the local shop and café windows.



### Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

As we approach Remembrance Sunday, our school is supporting the Poppy Appeal. Poppies will be on sale in school from Monday. Please encourage children to give generously, apart from poppies, a 50p donation is suggested for items such as erasers and reflectors, £1 for rulers.

### Thank you for your presents

Thank you to all families that contributed a shoe box full of presents for the Operation Christmas Child appeal. These presents will be shipped to less fortunate children around the world and will help to make Christmas a happier time for many.



### **Care Home Visits**

Class 4 visited Balgowan Care Home this week and enjoyed playing chess and draughts with the residents. Class 5 and Class 6 are looking forward to visiting local care homes for carol singing in December.

Yours sincerely

Paul Newton

Executive Headteacher