



BLETCHINGDON PAROCHIAL CE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

12th October 2018 Week 6

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ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK – WELL DONE WOODPECKER CLASS

OWLS	KINGFISHERS	WOODPECKERS	ROBINS
95.36%	95.45%	99.69%	89.56%

Dear Families

Wow we have sporting superstars at Bletchingdon. Well done to the children from Kingfisher class who played in the small schools football tournament and a big thank you to Miss Follen and Mrs Mullane for taking them. Great goals from Bletchingdon but Miss Follen was also impressed with the team work and mutual support shown by our children. Later in the week came street dance for Year 5 and thank you to Mrs Eatwell for taking them. They had a great time.

As the nights draw in children are more likely to be playing online so as part of this newsletter there are details of websites to visit to support children in their use of the internet. This is now the most common form of bullying and it is too easy for children to get into difficulty and not know what to do. We teach internet safety in school but it is very helpful to know how to manage their use at home. I know as a parent how difficult it is to supervise children online. Please have a look at the information. We will be having an internet safety talk for parents and carers in the new year.

As an alternative they might like to practise their times tables! Attached are some ideas to support their learning- little and often makes so much difference.

Mrs Karen Donaghey
Headteacher

Children's Safety

Please try to avoid using the car park next to school. This week it has been so full that people were having to reverse to get out and we are worried about the children's safety. Could we please ask you to park around the Village Green and walk across with Lollipop Sue. Thank you.

Parent-Teacher Meetings

Parent-Teacher meetings are being held next week on Tuesday 16th and Wednesday 17th. Please sign up in the school foyer if you haven't already. *Please note there will be no clubs on those days.

We need

Small plastic bottles to make poppies. If you have any please give to Owl class. We also need clean glass jars to make candle holders, again please give to Owl Class or bring to the office. Thank you very much.

Harvest Celebration

We are busy practising for our Harvest Celebration and please join us on Friday 19th October in the hall at 8.50am. We will be singing songs as a school and each class will also contribute including our Foundation Stage. We are collecting items for the Bicester Food Bank between now and the Harvest Celebration. Please bring items to the table in the foyer of school.

Urgently needed food items

- tinned fruit (400gms)
- tea bags (80's)
- dried pasta (500gms)
- UHT milk (1 litre)
- Breakfast Cereals

For further information about donating or receiving help contact <https://bicester.foodbank.org.uk>

Admissions to infant and primary schools

Applying to start infant and primary school for the first time.

Children born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015 (inclusive) need to apply for a primary or infant school place for their children.

How to apply:

From 25 October 2018 you can apply online for a primary or infant school place.

If you cannot apply online, you can request a paper application form from schools, nurseries and from the School Admissions Team.

The deadline for receipt of completed school applications is 15 January 2019

If your application is late, it will be processed later in the year, and you are far less likely to get a place at one of your preferred schools

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/starting-school/infant-and-primary-school>

Year 6 transfer to secondary – the deadline is approaching.

Parents can now submit online applications for children to transfer from primary to secondary school for Year 7 entry in September 2019. Parents should apply directly at:

www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions Parents unable or unwilling to apply online can complete the [secondary application form](#) by hand; this should then be posted recorded delivery to the Admissions team or hand delivered to county Hall. However parents are advised to apply online where possible as this is the most secure method. The deadline for all applications is 31 October 2018.



School Meals

Our school meals provided by OCC, will be changing after half term. Please look out for the new menu choices over the next few days and submit your child's choice via ParentMail. As it is a new menu, after the full 3 week cycle if wish to change please let Jackie know and she will amend.

FLU Nasal Vaccination

All pupils in **Reception – Year 5** will be offered the Nasal Flu Vaccination in school on Friday 7th December. Further details and a consent form will be in your child's bookbag. Please could the consent form be returned by Next Tuesday 16th October.

PTA NEWS

TESCO BAGS FOR HELP

We have been raising money to create a sensory garden in the school grounds which should begin development this school year with the assistance of the builders of the Duchey Field Development, Zero C/Places for People and the architects, Coleman Hicks.

The project is currently one of three projects to vote in the Tesco Bag for Help scheme in the Kidlington Tesco store. Please support us by putting the blue token you receive at the till in our collection box.

The winner will receive £4,000, second £2,000 and third £1,000 so it really will make a difference to our fundraising total.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Tuesday 16 October - Annual General Meeting (AGM) straight after school by the climbing frame - all welcome

Tuesday 16 October - PTA Meeting - 7.30pm - Village Hall meeting room - all welcome

Tuesday 30 October - Meet and Greet the PTA - hear about your PTA and all the things planned to raise money for the school

Saturday 24th November - Pamper Night at Bletchingdon Village Hall - tickets are £5 and include a free drink. For information on how to get your ticket please contact Kelly Whitehead - kelly.dodgson@hotmail.co.uk) or Jane Mullane - mullane77@btinternet.com

USEFUL WEBSITES FOR INTERNET SAFETY

Think-U-Know, CEOP and the NSPCC are excellent for explaining the risks and what to reduce them

<http://thinkuknow.co.uk>

<http://ceop.gov.uk>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

Online Bullying Particularly

Childnet – <http://www.childnet.com/>

Advice and information for Children and Families and professionals covering a range of potential issues but with clearly focussed advice for Online Bullying.

Childline – <http://www.childline.org.uk/>

Information and a helpline for young people. Having someone they don't know to turn to in case of an issue can be very valuable.

General Online Safety for older children

BBC Webwise – <http://www.bbc.co.uk/webwise/>

Information and advice about all aspects of using the Internet safely and efficiently aimed at Young People aged around Secondary School age. Includes lots of information and advice about Online Bullying.

How to learn your times tables?

Please be relaxed and encourage them to work through them one by one but to keep going over them, little and often is best. Stick them up around your home (ask first!) so you keep walking past them. Once you can recite them try asking someone to test you randomly out of order. If some just won't stick try making up a silly rhyme such as

8x8 is 64 oh my goodness I was sick on the floor

Brilliant apps : Squeebles multiplication and Squeebles division

Useful websites for times table games.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vzXcl49jdV0>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths>

<http://www.teachingtables.co.uk/>

http://www.familylearning.org.uk/multiplication_games.html

<http://ideas4kids.org/activities/?query=multiples> – multiple colouring activity sheets

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2	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24
3	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36
4	4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40	44	48
5	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
6	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72
7	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70	77	84
8	8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80	88	96
9	9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90	99	108
10	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120
11	11	22	33	44	55	66	77	88	99	110	121	132
12	12	24	36	48	60	72	84	96	108	120	132	144

Good luck and remember knowing them will make a real difference to your maths.

INSET DAY

Please remember INSET DAY Monday 29th October. School Closed to pupils

IMPORTANT DATES	
Tuesday and Wednesday 16 th 17 th October	Parent-Teacher meetings
Friday 19 th October	Harvest Celebration in the hall 8:50am
HALF TERM 22-26 OCTOBER	
Monday 29 th October	INSET
Friday 17 th November	Children in Need fundraising-wear spots and bring a donation.
Saturday 24 th November	Pamper & Shopping Evening - Village Hall - 7pm onwards
Tuesday 11 th December	Nativity
Wednesday 12 th December	Christmas Lunch
Friday 14 th December	Christmas Jumper Day
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY 24 DECEMBER -4 JANUARY	
Tuesday 22 nd January	All Bletch Read followed by Parent and carer school lunch
Monday 11 th February	Maths Day
HALF TERM 18-22 FEBRUARY	
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day
Friday 5 th April	Easter Bonnets and Eggstravaganda
EASTER HOLIDAY 8-22 APRIL	
Week beginning 13 th May	SATS week KS2
Wednesday 22 nd May	Y6 to Marlborough
Tuesday 18 th June	Y6 to Marlborough
HALF TERM 27-31 MAY	
Wednesday 10 th July	End of year production Matinee
Thursday 11 th July	Y6 to Marlborough
Friday 12 th July	End of year production Evening
Week beginning 15 th July	Sport, Fitness and Health week
Friday 19 th July	Sports Celebration
Wednesday 24 th July	Goodbye Assembly

NEWS FROM THE COMMUNITY

Parents Meeting

There will a meeting about transport from Bletchingdon to Marlborough School on Monday 15th October at 7pm. For more information email bletchbus@outlook.com for details.