

BLETCHINGDON PAROCHIAL CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

13th May 2016

Dear Families

Thank you to the PTA for organising the Spring Fayre that followed the crowning of the May Queen and our Dancing. The children had all worked extremely hard in perfecting their dances. The sun shone and a wonderful afternoon was enjoyed by all. A big 'thankyou' to all staff members and volunteers for giving up their weekend and helping to make it such a success and to those of you who did some speedy packing up when the rain and thunder did arrive.



We have just heard that the May Day Spring Fayre raised £789.50

In school this week our Year 6 have sat their SATs, and enjoyed an end of 'SATs' tea party with their Teacher & Teaching Assistants. Whilst the Kingfishers have been 'enjoying' more adding and subtracting of fractions and completing their own Roman Mosaics, the Woodpeckers have been using adjectives and similes to describe the Gingerbread Man and key events in the story. Our Robins have been reading different versions of the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. They also brought in their own bears and toys which they measured at the class measuring station.

Farms2Ewe (Robins) & Cogges Farm (Woodpeckers)

Please could I ask for your consent forms to be returned back to school by Monday to allow your child to take part in either the visit from Farms2Ewe (Robin class) or Cogges Farm (Woodpeckers). As mentioned before, if we don't receive sufficient funds then we may have to cancel. If you have mislaid your letter please see Jackie in the office for a further copy.

Year 6 Move-Up Mornings

The Year 6 Partnership 'Move-up Mornings' this year are:

Tuesday 24th May	9am – 12:30pm	* Please note date change
Tuesday 21 st June	9am until 2pm	
Thursday 7 th July	All day (incl. bus)	

Please note that the rest of the school will have one move-up day and this will take place on Thursday 7th July.

Year 5 / 6 Residential October 2016

We would like to invite all parents of our current Yr 4 & 5 pupils to join us in Y5/6 for half an hour after school on Monday 16th May to discuss arrangements for the planned PGL residential in October.

Environment Club

The second after school session will be next Tuesday 17th May.

KS1 Art

This will continue to run up until half term.

Sainsburys Active Kids 2016

Please remember to bring your Sainsbury's vouchers into school, as we have now started the big count. Just pop them into the letter box just inside the school entrance.

Change of our school Food & More Menu

Next Thursday 19th May, we will be having an Indoor Summer BBQ. The BBQ meal will be Beef Burger or Hot Dog or Vegetarian Burger (please specify); all served with baked sweet potato wedges & freshly prepared salads. This will be followed by Strawberry Shortcake or Fresh Fruit Pieces. The cost will be £2.10. Please let Jackie know on Monday at the latest if your child would like a meal on this day so Natasha can prepare for Thursday. Thank you.



Dates for your diary:

Monday 23 rd May	Whole school Big Q day
30 th May – 3 rd June	Half Term
Monday 6 th June	INSET school closed to pupils
Wednesday 8 th June	KS2 Quad Athletics at Tilsey Park (selected teams)
Friday 10 th June	Woodstock Partnership charity fundraising day and celebration of Queen's 90 th birthday
Thursday 16 th June	Farms2Ewe visiting FSU
Monday 20 th June	Y5/6 Royal Shakespeare Workshop in Stratford upon Avon
Tuesday 21 st June	Y1/2 Cogges Manor Farm
Wednesday 22 nd June	Y2 Ultra Olympics (details to follow)
28 th June	Whole school maths day
Friday 8 th July	Sports day
Monday 18 th July	End of year performance
Tuesday 19 th July	Y6 Leavers' Service – Time TBC
Wednesday 20 th July	Leavers' Assembly - Term finishes at 1.30pm

Governor of the Month; May – Jill Saint

I've been an associate governor for four years. My background is in educational publishing – with Oxford University Press a long time ago – and very varied teaching. I taught shorthand, typing and computers, and later adult literacy. I had my own small ballet school for ten years, and also worked for several years at the Oxford Playhouse, mainly as a dresser.

I'm particularly interested in literacy, and Kate Pick and I are planning to visit the school soon to look at this aspect of the curriculum.

It's a Whacky Knockout is BACK!

Would your child like to be part of the Bletchington School team? We need teams of up to 15 players, of which a minimum of 4 players must be aged 5 – 7 years.

The Knockout is being held on 26th June 2016 between 12 – 5pm

The cost of entry is £3.00 per team member. If your child would like to secure a place on the team, please come and collect a form from the office and return it to the office, with £3.00, by Friday 13th May 2016.

Cycle Proficiency

HELP NEEDED!

We have the opportunity with the help of a trained cycle proficiency officer from Oxfordshire County Council to run a cycle proficiency course for our current Year 5 pupils. (Year 6 September) But we are unable to run the 6 week course if we do not have any volunteers. If you think you can help and be dedicated for the full 6 week course, please contact either myself or Jackie for further details. Ideally, we would like to train 2 leaders, who will then take on the roles of our cycle training officers for the years to follow.

Headlice

Please can I ask you to check your child's hair and treat as necessary to stop further infestation. Thank you.

Yours sincerely

Louise Hatton
Headteacher



Bletchingdon Baby & Toddler Group

What a great start yesterday!

TOYS NEEDED! If you have any toys which you would like to donate, please contact Jenny on 07585 977861 or jen.allan@outlook.com Alternatively, drop them round to 26 Valentia Close or the School Office. Thankyou.

Church News



Where is the treasure hidden? Has Dash managed not to lose the golden key to the Hall of Memory? Who will be able to work their way through the maze to the lost story treasures? What do they mean? Can anyone understand Dotty the Scotty's accent? What will we get for refreshments? Which Companions will win the most firebugs?

You will discover the answers to all these questions at **Guardians of Ancora** Holiday Club – if you are there! Just fill in the form, sign up to be a companion, and come and join the team on August 22nd. If you have lost the form you can find it on

Guardians of Ancora is for those who are between 5 and 11 – and NOT AFRAID OF www.akemanbenefice.org.uk. DRAGONS

Family Service

St. Giles Church Sunday 15th May 10a.m. **ALL WELCOME**

Rev. Jane's Leavers Party, will be held on Sunday 29th May at Kirtlington following the 11a.m. service.
Bring & Share, please see the food list in St. Giles Church

Bletchingdon Cafe open!

Village hall cafe area (access via the plaza) Every Wednesday 9:30 – 12:30
Freshly baked cakes, bacon rolls & refreshments
Please pop in and show your support.

Saturday 14th May 2.00pm to 5.00pm Kirtlington Golf Club

FREE ENTRY WITH FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY! ANY AGE WELCOME

Kirtlington Golf Club & Andy Taylor Coaching Invite you to our Junior 'Get into Golf' Fun Day!

- Junior coaching • Short game and mini golf challenges • Pitch & putt • Driving range target fun • Longest drive & putting competitions Also • BBQ • Refreshments Available • Face painting • Bouncy castle

All equipment provided come along and try some golf for free and make the most of the amazing weather and facilities the golf club has to offer.

