



BLETCHINGDON PAROCHIAL CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER
14th December 2018 Week 14
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ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK – WELL DONE WOODPECKER CLASS

OWLS 97%

KINGFISHERS 94%

WOODPECKERS 98%

ROBINS 88%

Dear Families,

What an amazing week we've had; beautiful singing at Heathfield Nursing Home, an amazing production of Busy, Busy Bethlehem, a super band performance and an incredible assembly this morning with Christmas Zumba and a message on kindness at Christmas time. On top of that lots of cooking, Christmas craft activities and bulb planting as well as our normal learning! Huge thanks to all the adults; both staff and our volunteers who are doing so much to make the end of term so lovely.

Mrs Karen Donaghey, Headteacher

Monday 17th December join us in Church for an evening of carols and readings led by Owl and Kingfisher classes.

Children from those classes should arrive at 5.45pm wearing Christmas clothes. Refreshments will be available after the service in return for a donation to



PLEASE avoid parking near the church as space is tight. Thank you.

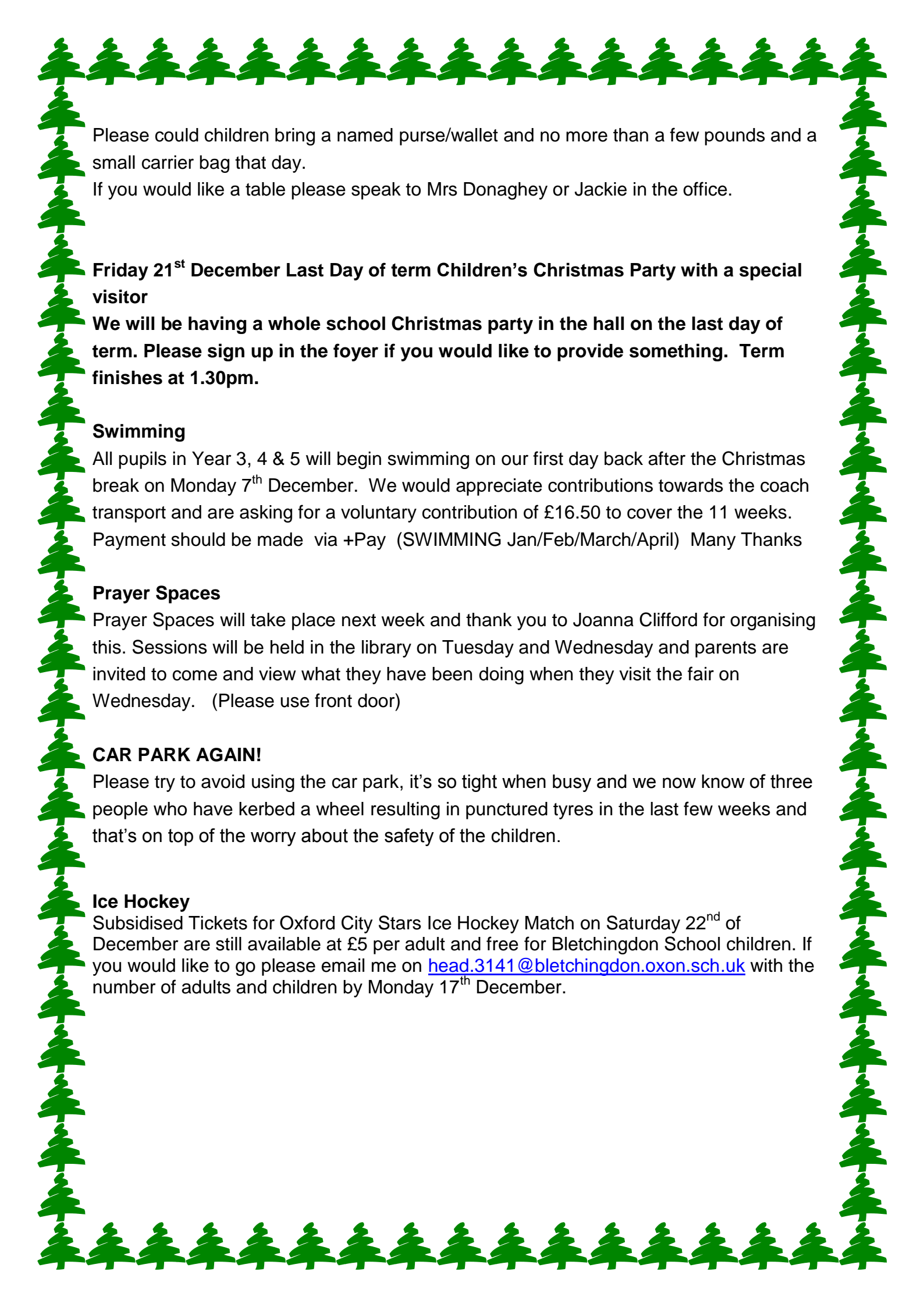
Wednesday 19th December



Christmas Fair- Fair open to children 2-3pm open to the community 3-4pm
Each class will have a stall plus we would like to invite parents and people from the community to take a stall in return for a donation to the school. Please have small items to sell or run an activity such as make a Christmas decoration.

Children will have the chance to go Christmas shopping from 2-3pm before being collected as usual; then the fair will be open to all from 3-4pm.

The PTA is kindly providing refreshments and will draw the raffle at the fair.



Please could children bring a named purse/wallet and no more than a few pounds and a small carrier bag that day.

If you would like a table please speak to Mrs Donaghey or Jackie in the office.

Friday 21st December Last Day of term Children's Christmas Party with a special visitor

We will be having a whole school Christmas party in the hall on the last day of term. Please sign up in the foyer if you would like to provide something. Term finishes at 1.30pm.

Swimming

All pupils in Year 3, 4 & 5 will begin swimming on our first day back after the Christmas break on Monday 7th December. We would appreciate contributions towards the coach transport and are asking for a voluntary contribution of £16.50 to cover the 11 weeks. Payment should be made via +Pay (SWIMMING Jan/Feb/March/April) Many Thanks

Prayer Spaces

Prayer Spaces will take place next week and thank you to Joanna Clifford for organising this. Sessions will be held in the library on Tuesday and Wednesday and parents are invited to come and view what they have been doing when they visit the fair on Wednesday. (Please use front door)

CAR PARK AGAIN!

Please try to avoid using the car park, it's so tight when busy and we now know of three people who have kerbed a wheel resulting in punctured tyres in the last few weeks and that's on top of the worry about the safety of the children.

Ice Hockey

Subsidised Tickets for Oxford City Stars Ice Hockey Match on Saturday 22nd of December are still available at £5 per adult and free for Bletchingdon School children. If you would like to go please email me on head.3141@bletchingdon.oxon.sch.uk with the number of adults and children by Monday 17th December.



PTA update

Raffle tickets and voucher for Christmas Trees

There's still time to get your hands on the Christmas raffle tickets. Priced at £1 per ticket or £5 for the book - there really are some fantastic prizes to be won! If you would like to buy some more tickets please speak to Jane Mullane or Kelly Whitehead or pop an email to the Bletchingdon PTA (this is checked regularly) bletchingdonpta@outlook.com

Christmas festivities;

The PTA would like to congratulate all the children and teachers who were involved in the performance of Busy Busy Bethlehem. It really was fantastic and the PTA were pleased to be able to show our support by offering teas, coffees and mince pies and all donations went towards the Alzheimer's Society and Save the Children charities.

We will also be supporting the Christmas carols and Christmas Fair next week and we look forward to seeing you there.

Key dates for your diary

Tuesday 8 January 2019 - 7.30pm PTA Meeting – Blacks Head, Bletchingdon – all welcome

Saturday 16 February 2019 - 8pm Bletchingdon PTA Valentines Quiz at Bletchingdon Village Hall - please email bletchingdonPTA@outlook.com if you would like to register your team.

The PTA is always continuing to look at ideas for events, fundraising and would welcome your views on new ideas for 2019. Our next PTA meeting is on Tuesday 8 January and all are welcome, it really is very informal and a great way to meet other parents. You can always submit your ideas by email too. We look forward to hearing from you.



IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 17th December

Carols – St. Giles Church 6pm

Friday 21st December

Children's Christmas Party & Party Lunch
(NO hot meal)
Term Finishes 1:30pm

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY 24 DECEMBER - 4 JANUARY

Monday 7th January

SWIMMING COMMENCES for all Yr 3, 4 & 5

Tuesday 22nd January

All Bletch Read followed by
Parent & Carer school lunch

Monday 11th February

Maths Day

Monday 25th February

INSET Day - School closed to pupils

HALF TERM 18-22 FEBRUARY

Thursday 7th March

World Book Day

Friday 5th April

Easter Bonnets and Egg-stravaganza

EASTER HOLIDAY 8-22 APRIL

Week beginning 13th May

SATS week KS2

Wednesday 22nd May

Y6 to Marlborough 9am – 12:30pm

Monday 3rd June

INSET Day - School closed to pupils

Tuesday 18th June

Y6 to Marlborough 9am – 2:30pm

HALF TERM 27-31 MAY

Monday 1st July

Parent Information Evening – Marlborough 6pm

Thursday 4th July

Yr 6 to Marlborough 8:25am – 3:05pm

Wednesday 10th July

End of year production Matinee

~~Thursday 11th July~~

~~Y6 to Marlborough~~

Friday 12th July

End of year production Evening

Week beginning 15th July

Sport, Fitness and Health week

Friday 19th July

Sports Celebration

Wednesday 24th July

Goodbye Assembly