

BLETCHINGDON PAROCHIAL CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

17th June 2016

Dear Families

In school this week our Robins have had a fantastic morning today with a visit from Farms2Ewe - a mobile farm. Farmer Holly & her assistant Debbie brought along a Shetland pony named 'Missy', a pygmy goat and two kids, rabbits, a chicken with her chicks, a calf called 'Sydney', lambs and Lilly the puppy. Thank you also to Debbie Whitford for her help during the morning.



Our Woodpeckers have been busy preparing for their Victorian Day today. This morning the children have practised writing on slate boards, with some being promoted to using ink pens. Thank you for your support with sorting clothing – both children and adults looked very authentic and soon got into role.



While our Kingfishers have been writing Roman poetry and locating Roman cities in Modern Day Britain, our Owl class have been making thistles, crows and St. Andrews flags in art for their Macbeth performance.

Diary Dates

Please do check our dates list weekly as new events are often added. Thank you.

SWIMMING

Swimming commenced this week for all pupils in Kingfisher & Owl class and this will continue until Monday 18th July (6 weeks). Voluntary contributions of £1 per week towards coach transport would be very much appreciated, but please remember our Owl Pupils will be on their class visit to The Royal Shakespeare Company on Monday 20th June and our Kingfisher class will be on their class trip to Chedworth Roman Villa on 4th July. Therefore there will be a total of 5 swim sessions for each class and a voluntary payment of **£5 per pupil** and not £6.

Reminders:

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| Year 5 / 6 | Owl class visit Stratford | Monday 20 th June 2016 |
| Year 1 / 2 | Woodpecker class visit Cogges | Tuesday 21 st June 2016 |

Year 1 / 2 Teaching Vacancy

Just to let you know that we are currently advertising for a Year 1/2 teacher. Our closing date has been extended and interviews will not take place now until 30th June 2016.

U11s Kwik Cricket

We will not know until tomorrow morning whether this event is going ahead or not. Therefore, could those who are attending please ensure they have their complete school PE kit, a spare jumper / sweatshirt, packed lunch, plenty of drink, a sun hat and a rain coat. **The children are bringing their PE kit home tonight so they can check they have it all – please do not forget to send it back (including trainers) tomorrow morning.** We are asking that they wear their school uniform to school in case the sporting event is cancelled in the poor weather.

Warmer Weather

Now that the warmer weather is here, please could you ensure your children bring a sun hat to school. We are unable to put sun cream on your children (for health and safety reasons) and so would ask that you apply 'once a day sun cream' before the children come to school. The children should not bring in their own to apply. Could we please also ask that the children do **not** bring sunglasses in.

Headlice

We have headlice in school again so please could you all check your children's hair this weekend.

After School clubs

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| Monday | SW Coaching: Football |
| Tuesday | Environment Club for KS1 and KS2 |
| Wednesday | Homework Club for KS2 and Art/Props Club for KS2 |
| Thursday | SW Coaching: Hip Hop Dance |
| Friday | SW Coaching: Multi-skills |

Dates for your diary:

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| Monday 20th June | Y5/6 Royal Shakespeare Workshop in Stratford upon Avon |
| Tuesday 21st June | Y1/2 Cogges Manor Farm |
| Wednesday 22 nd June | Y2 Ultra Olympics (letter attached) |
| 30 th June/1 st July | Whole school maths days |
| Monday 4 th July | Yr3/4 Chedworth Roman Villa Parent Evening for parents of new September 2016 Reception cohort @7pm |
| Wednesday 6 th July | 'Come and Play' open session for parents and new Nursery cohort @3.30 – 4.30pm |
| Friday 8 th July | SPORTS DAY: EYFS 11.15; Midday - picnic on the field and KS1/KS2 1pm onwards |
| Thursday 14 th July | PTA Teddy Bears' Picnic - school field @ 3pm |
| Monday 18 th July | EYFS 'All Creatures Great and Small' assembly @9am End of year performance |
| Tuesday 19 th July | Y6 Leavers' Service - Time TBC |
| Wednesday 20 th July | Leavers' Assembly - Term finishes at 1.30pm |

Summer Holidays

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| Monday 5 th Sept. | School Starts |
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Yours sincerely

Louise Hatton
Headteacher

Church News

Calling all Dads and their families!

There will be a special Father's Day service at 10am at St Giles' Church, Bletchington, this Sunday (19th). Do come along and join us.

HOT NEWS

Award-winning author Julia Golding (most recent book: "Mel Foster and the Time Machine") has agreed to come and talk to those taking part in the Guardians of Ancora Holiday Club Monday 22nd – Thursday 25th August. The small print:
Who: children aged 5-11. **Where:** Kirtlington Village Hall **When:** 10 – 12.30 each day, plus until 2.30pm on the Tuesday.
What: games, crafts, drama, singing, Bible stories, quizzes, drama. Family celebration 6-7.30pm on Thursday with special guest Julia Golding.

How much: £30 for the week (£20 2nd child, £15 3rd child) with £5 discount per child for forms received by 30th July.

How: Forms from church, deep in the school bag, or the website www.akemanbenefice.org.uk

Weston on the Green NEWS

**A Concert of Music for a Summers Evening
Given by
The Chapel Choir of Summer Fields School, Oxford
Thursday 23rd June at 7:30p.m.
To be held
St, Mary's Church, Weston on the Green
Tickets : Adults £10 / Children £5
Proceeds to St. Mary's Roof Fund
Please contact Yasemin on 351982 or visit Helen in the Village Shop & Post Office**

Oxford United Community Trust

**Friday Football Training Sessions for children age 4 – 6 years @ Kirtlington Village Hall Field
Run by
Oxford United Community Trust
Age 4 – 6 Boys & Girls Welcome
4p.m. – 4:45 £3.50 per week**

Bletchingdon Toddler Group

**Our Toddler Group meet every Thursday morning in the Village Hall
from 9.30 – 11.30am
Why not come along and have a chat with other parents whilst your toddlers socialise.
Please note there will be no session Thursday 23rd June owing to the elections.**