



BLETCHINGDON PAROCHIAL CE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

23rd November 2018 Week 11

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ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK – WELL DONE WOODPECKER CLASS

OWLS 97.78%

KINGFISHERS 95.91%

WOODPECKERS 98.75%

ROBINS 94.67%

Dear Families

Assessment week this week and lots of children are very proud of their learning. It is also showing us how their hard work and practising at home is paying off. Little and often really does work as does reading regularly.

Next week is Switch Off Fortnight and our Eco-Council led a wonderful assembly this morning and told us how and why we should save energy. We will be measuring how well the fortnight goes as part of our evidence to gain a Green Flag and to become an Eco-School. Thank you to Miss Shuff for her hard work leading the council.

Mrs Karen Donaghey
Headteacher

THE CAR PARK

We are working with the BCF to improve the safety in the Carpark and are grateful for their support with this. In the meantime please continue to take great care when crossing to enter the school and look out for the taxi collecting and delivering children to school.



Tuesday 11th December Robin Class and Woodpecker Class will perform Busy, Busy Bethlehem at 2pm in the Village Hall.

Wednesday 12th Christmas Dinner book as usual

Monday 17th December join us at Bletchington Village Church for an evening of Carols and readings led by Owl and Kingfisher classes. Children from those classes should arrive at 5.45pm.

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. 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. More details and sign-up sheets to follow.

In December please look out for Christmas Raffle Tickets

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE MARLBOROUGH

From July 2019, there will be no bus from Bletchington to Marlborough School.

We are trying to get parents together to organise a replacement bus.

There is a meeting in the Village Hall on Thursday 13th Dec 2018 at 7pm to discuss final arrangements to see if this is viable. Please email bletchbus@outlook.com for more details.

IMPORTANT DATES	
Saturday 24 th November	Pamper & Shopping Evening - Village Hall - 7pm onwards
Thursday 6 th December	Carol Singing to the Thursday Club TBC
Monday 10 th December	OWL Class entertaining residents of Heathfield Nursing Home
Tuesday 11 th December	Nativity 2pm School Hall
Wednesday 12 th December	Christmas Lunch
Friday 14 th December	Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 17 th December	Carols – St. Giles Church 6pm
Friday 21 st December	Children's Christmas Party & Party Lunch (NO hot meal) Term Finishes 1:30pm
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY 24 DECEMBER - 4 JANUARY	
Monday 7 th January	SWIMMING COMMENCES for all Yr 3, 4 & 5 pupils
Tuesday 22 nd January	All Bletch Read followed by Parent & Carer school lunch
Monday 11 th February	Maths Day
Monday 25 th February	INSET Day - School closed to pupils
HALF TERM 18-22 FEBRUARY	
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day
Friday 5 th April	Easter Bonnets and Egg-stravaganza
EASTER HOLIDAY 8-22 APRIL	
Week beginning 13 th May	SATS week KS2
Wednesday 22 nd May	Y6 to Marlborough 9am – 12:30pm
Monday 3 rd June	INSET Day - School closed to pupils
Tuesday 18 th June	Y6 to Marlborough 9am – 2:30pm
HALF TERM 27-31 MAY	
Monday 1 st July	Parent Information Evening – Marlborough 6pm
Thursday 4 th July	Yr 6 to Marlborough 8:25am – 3:05pm
Wednesday 10 th July	End of year production Matinee
Thursday 11th 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

PTA NEWS

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Pamper and Shopping Evening

There's still time to get your ticket for this year's pamper and shopping event on Saturday (24th November) at Bletchingdon Village Hall. We have lots of lovely therapists including Indian Head Massage, Mini- Facial, Nails, Hair cut and massages as well as lots of shopping just in time for Christmas. The evening starts at 7pm and you can get a ticket on the door for just £5 which entitles you to a complimentary drink.

Christmas Tree Silent Auction

Thank you very much to Bunkers Hill Plant Nursery who have very kindly donated a 6ft Nordman (non-drop) Christmas tree for us to raffle in a silent auction.

If you would like to submit a silent bid to win this fabulous tree please either pop your bid and contact details into the boxes to be found in the school entrance or Bletchingdon cafe on a Wednesday morning. Alternatively you can email the details to Jane: mullane77@btinternet.com (your bid will be kept secret).

The deadline to place your bid is 7th December and the winner will be announced soon after.

Bunkers Hill Christmas Trees

Bunkers Hill have also very kindly offered to donate 10% of any trees purchased to Bletchingdon Primary School. Should you wish to buy one all you need to do is take the leaflet that will be in your child's book bag in the coming weeks and hand it in to Bunkers Hill with your purchase to link it to the school.

Bletchingdon School PTA Raffle Tickets

The PTA are running a Christmas raffle with some fantastic prizes to be won with all proceeds going to the school.

Prizes include: £50 & £25 cash (donated by Smiths at Bletchington), dinner for 2 at Gardiners Arms pub in Tackley, £25 The Milk Shed voucher, guest passes for Bicester Hotel Spa, £160 photo gift experience by Barrett & Coe, Crocodiles of the World tickets, Visage Beauty voucher for Swedish Back Massage, family ticket to Green Dragon Eco Farm, cake by Sue Davies, family ticket to Wonder Woods, Stonor and a boiler service by Inside Out.

We hope to have the raffle ticket books going out in the book bags in the next few weeks with details on what to do with them.

In early December we will be delivering a raffle ticket book to each household. We fully appreciate you may not be interested and apologies for the intrusion so please feel free to throw the book away.

A look at the year ahead

In 2019 the PTA will be raising money to help fund developments to the outdoor space at the school. This will include developing the eco pond, a shade sail and Forest School facilities as well as the ongoing development of the sensory garden.

Key dates for your diary

Saturday 24 November - 7pm Pamper and Shopping Evening at Bletchingdon Village Hall

Tuesday 4 December - 7.30pm PTA Meeting - Bletchingdon Village Hall

Tuesday 8 January 2019 - 7.30pm PTA Meeting - Bletchingdon Village Hall

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

NEWS FROM THE COMMUNITY

Visit the wonderful Bletch Café- the food is delicious.

Bletch
Café



**Wednesdays
9.30pm -12.30pm**



Bring your loyalty card!



What's on offer?

- Homemade cakes, bacon rolls, savoury items soup
- Costa Coffee, tea etc. all at good value prices.
- Free use of newspapers, magazines and board games plus colouring pens and books for kids.
- Come and join us and catch up on village life and meet new friends

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