



BLETCHINGDON PAROCHIAL CE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

27th April 2018

Dear Families

All our children have settled back into school life after the Easter break and things are starting to get busy. Children in years 3, 4 and 5 have formed a choir with Mrs Walker and are learning songs for our end of year performance and some Kingfishers are preparing to support Miss Follen with leading activity programme 'Change4life' with our Woodpeckers. Traditional English dancing is taking place across the school and we are looking forward to interviewing for our new early years teacher next Thursday.

Correction of Dates

My apologies for completely mucking up the half term dates. Just to confirm that the half term break is from Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June. Please note that we have INSET on Monday 4th June.

Help Wanted

If there is anybody who has some available time to help with fixing up some shelving in our new PE shed, we would be very grateful. We are looking to put up some large hooks to hang ball bags from as well as some racking that we can put boxes on. Thank you.

Staff Recruitment

Just to let you know that we will be interviewing for an early years teacher on Thursday 3rd May and a headteacher on Tuesday 8th May. We have received a number of applications for each post which is really good news.

Traditional May Spring Fayre

Our traditional May Spring Fayre is taking place on Saturday 19th May.

The timings are a little different this year and the dancing will start at 11am. Please look out for further information from the PTA over the next week or so.

PTA

We are really looking forward to the Spring Fayre which will take place on May 19th! This year's fayre is bigger and better than ever with a bouncy castle, Bletchinglydon Silver Band, stalls and the Royal Wedding televised in the hall. Please come along for a great family day!

Donations of raffle prizes, bottles etc gratefully received.

Raffle tickets are in the bookbags this week with some exciting prizes up for grabs! Raffle will be drawn on May 19th.

If you are able to help on the day, or have any other ideas please contact me rachel_pirie@hotmail.com

Summer Weather

Please can you ensure that your child brings a sun hat to school and that they have sun cream on. We are unable to re-apply sun cream during the day owing to health and safety reasons, so our advice is that you use the brands that only require one application a day.

Please can you also ensure that your child has a coat in school each day. Although the weather forecast can be reasonably accurate, it is entirely possible that it might still rain and not having coats in school can prevent the children from being able to play outside. Standing under the shelter is not much fun ☹️

'Own Clothes Day' for all of Phoenix House - Next Friday 4th May. Please wear something 'Red'

SATs

We are coming to that time of year again!

Our Year 2s will be sitting their tests throughout May and our Year 6s will be sitting theirs between Monday 14th and Thursday 17th May.

Transition Arrangements

Our Y6s who are transitioning to The Marlborough will be making three visits during the summer term: Tuesday 22nd May (9.00 – 12.30), Tuesday 19th June (9.00 – 2.30) and Tuesday 10th July (all day).

Tuesday 10th July will be 'Move-Up Day' for the whole school where we will also welcome new pupils.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 30 th April	Student teacher 'Miss Lorimer' will be starting her placement in Kingfishers
Wk. bg. 14 th May	Year 6 SATs
28 th May – 1 st June	HALF TERM
Monday 4 th June	INSET
Tuesday 5 th June	Cricket coaching for KS2 begins
Wednesday 6 th June	KS2 representatives to Quad Athletics at Tilsley Park, Abingdon
Wednesday 20 th June	Nursery Parents 'Stay and Play'
Monday 25 th June	School nurse with Y5/6
2 nd – 6 th July	Keeping Healthy Week
Friday 6 th July	Sports Day
Wednesday 11 th July	Kingfisher trip to Chedworth Villa (further details to follow)
Friday 20 th July	End of Year Performance
Monday 23 rd July	Year 6 Leavers' Service in church
Tuesday 24 th July	Leavers' Assembly in school

Best Wishes

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(Headteacher)

Café updates

Great news – **the Wednesday café** has secured new funding to continue for the next 6 months!

If you haven't been yet, do come along. We offer:

Costa Coffee, bacon rolls, fresh homemade cake, newspapers, backgammon and cards all on hand for a friendly community get together.

******* EXTENDED OPENING HOURS *******

Now open 9.30 - to 12.30

... so you have a little longer to enjoy the café!

Transport service: please ring 01869 351014

Café session Monday afternoon 2.30-5.30

Bring the kids after school or enjoy coffee and cake whilst you wait for the Jujitsu team to finish.

NEW! – Loyalty card pilot coming soon more details in the café or in your letterbox soon

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