

BLETCHINGDON PAROCHIAL CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

29th April 2016

Dear Families

This week our Robins have started their new focus 'Giraffes Can't Dance' and have been practising their own dance for our May Day celebrations. The Woodpeckers have been looking at writing their own descriptive texts based around Goldilocks, whilst our Kingfisher class have explored the Roman artefacts that were kindly brought in by Mrs Lucy Baker (Jennifer's mum). Finally, our Owls have been writing their own versions of the beginning of Macbeth.

INSET

Monday 6th June 2016.

May Day

As with tradition, each year our children (from Foundation Stage up to Year 6) perform traditional dances, with the Y5/6 class also acting out the story of Jack O'Green. I know you will all have the date in your diary already but I just wanted to clarify that the event will start at **12.30pm**. I am sorry for the contradictory times in last week's newsletter.

PTA News

Our next event is the **Spring Fayre which will be on Saturday 7th May**. Please could any donations for the raffle and bottles of wine, pop etc for our hoopla game be left in the school foyer.

Also, cakes for the refreshment stall would be gratefully received. Thank you.

We would also be very grateful if anyone could help to run a stall for all or part of the afternoon, please see Jackie or a member of the PTA.

Please do note the change of time from midday to 12.30pm. Thanks

Ice Creams will be sold from our main school gates every Friday after school during the summer term.

Year 6 Move-Up Mornings

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

Thursday 26 th May	AM only
Tuesday 21 st June	? until 2pm - TBC
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.

School Trips / Visitors

The following events are planned:

FSU	Thursday 16 th May 2016	Farms4ewe <u>visiting us</u> – Details to follow next week
Y5/6	Monday 20 th June 2016	Royal Shakespeare Workshop in Stratford upon Avon – letter attached
Y1/2	Tuesday 21 st June 2016	Cogges Manor Farm – letter attached
Y3/4	Date TBC	Details to follow

We apologise for all these events taking place around the same time and do appreciate that you may wish to spread the payments out, should you have more than one child in school.



Year 4 and Year 5 Parents - Residential Autumn 2016

Please see attached letter and reply slip.

Environment Club

Just a reminder that our Environment Club commences Tuesday 10th May. Two sessions will run simultaneously; one for children in Ys 1/2/3 and the other for Ys 4/5/6. Julie Benton has very kindly offered her time to work alongside Mrs Kelly. Please sign the consent form attached to allow your child to participate and return to Jackie.

KS1 Art

This will continue to run up until half term.

Sainsburys Active Kids 2016

We are collecting Sainsburys Active Kids vouchers for sports & cooking equipment and the collecting box is situated in the school reception area. If you are unable to come into school, please post in our letter box just inside the entrance door. Many thanks for your support.

Dates for your diary:

Saturday 7 th May	May Day Celebrations (May Day dancing and Spring Fayre) from 12.30pm
9 th – 13 th May	KS2 SATs week
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
Friday 10 th June	Woodstock Partnership charity fundraising day and celebration of Queen's 90 th birthday
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	

Cycle Proficiency

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.

Yours sincerely

Louise Hatton
Headteacher



Bike for Sale - £55 ono Please call Jackie on 077510 42420



Church News

Sunday 1st May

Holy Communion 11a.m. St. Giles Church, Bletchingdon.
Revd. Jane Hemmings final service in Bletchingdon – ALL WELCOME

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

This week the children have been told about the Akeman Benefice summer Holiday Club, called "Guardians of Ancora" and registration forms have been given out. The holiday club is for 4 mornings from Monday 22nd August until Thursday 25th, and is for any child aged 5 on August 31st to 11. The theme is a quest for hidden treasure and so there will be plenty of treasure hunts and challenges as well as the usual variety of games, crafts, silly drama, Bible stories and music. You can download a Guardians of Ancora game to get in the swing of it on www.guardiansofancora.com. Do return the forms by the end of July to get a reduced price. We look forward to seeing lots of Bletchingdon children in Kirtlington Village Hall, the "Hall of Memory", joining in the excitement.

Bletchingdon Toddlers

A new toddler group is starting at Bletchingdon Village Hall, funded by the Bletchingdon Charity. It will be starting on Thursday 12th May from 9 - 11am, and then every Thursday (with the exception of 2 elections and half-term) until the summer holidays.

Please come along with your babies and toddlers, for a coffee, chat and play. If you are interested in helping organise the group please contact Jenny on 07585 977861.

Bletch Cafe open!

Village hall cafe area (access via the plaza)

Weds 8.40-11.30

Freshly baked cakes, bacon rolls & refreshments

Newspapers, magazines, board games plus books and colouring for the kids

This is a pilot project to see if Bletchingdon can sustain a cafe on an ongoing basis

Please pop in and show your support.

Support gratefully received from the Bletchingdon Charity and the BCF.



Environment Club

I give consent for Year to attend the Environment Club commencing on Tuesday 10th May for two consecutive weeks.

SignedPrint

