



BLETCHINGDON PAROCHIAL CE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

2nd February 2018

Dear Families

In school this week our Robins have been celebrating Chinese New Year with fortune crackers and finishing their dragon. Children in our Woodpecker class have been independently writing their own stories about a journey undertaken by a boy and a penguin as well as discovering more about fractions of shapes and numbers. In lower KS2, our Kingfishers have been adding and subtracting with money and learning how to punctuate speech correctly. Our Owls have started their new class novel 'Skellig' and explored owl pellets – they found the skulls of mice and voles as well as ribs and jawbones!

Change of contact numbers

Please can we ask that you ensure the school has your up-to-date contact numbers in case we need to contact you during the school day. Update form in your Childs bookbag. Please return to Jackie ASAP. Many thanks.

Homework Club – Wednesday 7th February

I am really sorry but there will be no homework club next week owing to me attending a meeting.

Junior Citizen

Our Year 6s have been invited to take part in OCC's Junior citizen Programme along with children from Kirtlington and Chesterton Primary Schools on Tuesday 20th February. They will be travelling by coach to Rewley Road Fire Station in Oxford. The children will be taught about keeping themselves (and others) safe in different situations. Please can we ask for a voluntary donation for each child. Jackie will upload a permission slip onto Parent Mail.

Tempest Photography

Tempest will be visiting school on Wednesday 21st February to take photographs. You may have family photos taken with pre-schoolers first thing in the morning.

School Absence during May

Owing to Easter being early and bank holiday Monday being later than usual, we will be carrying out our KS1 SATs tests over a period of a couple of weeks. Our KS2 SATs take place during week beginning 14th May. Please can you ensure that children in Years 2 and 6 in particular are NOT absent from school during the period 8th to 25th May 2018. Thank you.

Bletchingdon Sporting Challenge Update

The following events have been booked in for the Bletchingdon Sporting Challenge:

*Ridgeway 40 mile walk in a day - 12th May 2018: local walk Berkshire to Wiltshire, we currently have 6 people - friends and family all welcome to join in

*Three Peaks Walk in 24 hours - 29th June to 1st July 2018: team of 10 but room for more

*Half marathon run - 18th March 2018: Stanwick Lakes (4 people entered, race now full). Can always add another run in if anyone keen eg. Heyford Park Airbase race, which also includes junior races, on 10th June 2018

We will be raising money equally between 3 charities: Reverse Rent, Max Appeal and Bletchingdon School PTA.

If you would like more information or to join in please contact Jane Mullane on 07775 994198. Thank you for your support

Dates for your Diary

2 nd and 6 th February	Miss Follen is out. Mrs Alison Smith will be in class all day.
Wednesday 7 th February	YR and Y6 Heights and Weights with school nurse
12 th – 16 th February	HALF TERM
Monday 19 th February	INSET
Wednesday 21 st February	Tempest Photography (individual and family photos)
Thursday 1 st March	World Book Day
5 th to 9 th March	Whole School Poetry Focus
27 th /28 th March	Big Question and Prayer Spaces
	Parent – teacher meetings
28 th March	Easter Bonnet parade and Eggstravaganza
29 th March	Easter Service
Thursday 29 th March	Break up at 1.30pm
Monday 16 th April	Summer Terms begins

Yours sincerely

L Hatton

(Headteacher)



OBNCC

OBNSCC Nets Starting Soon - Including Girls Only Sessions!

Your local cricket club (Oxford & Bletchington Nondescripts Cricket Club) welcomes you and your children to the club and want to outline the potential nets sessions you might be interested in attending. Nets are for their under 13 and under 11s sections and begin in February for girls only and March for boys and girls!

OBNSCC have high quality coaches leading their sessions including county coach Lucy Gladdy and hope to encourage players of all experience to come and join in the fun. The club are really trying to encourage more girls to play cricket at the beginning and end of February half term this year so please invite girls aged between 7-13 to come to the two *Girls only* sessions in February in particular.

If you are interested and would like to learn more then please contact Howard.Dellar@lbnw.com and see the dates and times below; These winter net sessions are held at Marlborough School in Woodstock.

Sunday 11th Feb 4-5.30pm Patrick Boyd Maunsell and Lucy Gladdy (GIRLS ONLY)

Sunday 18th Feb 4-5.30pm Patrick Boyd Maunsell and Lucy Gladdy (GIRLS ONLY)

Sunday 4th March 4-5.30pm Patrick Boyd Maunsell and Lucy Gladdy (GIRLS AND BOYS)

Sunday March 18th 4-5.30pm Lucy Gladdy (GIRLS AND BOYS)

Sunday March 25th, 4-5.30pm Lucy Gladdy (GIRLS AND BOYS)

Sunday April 8th 4-5.30pm. Sam Arthurs and Patrick Boyd Maunsell (GIRLS AND BOYS)