



Dear Families

**Congratulations to Keeley and Caisey Paige Wood and their family on the birth of their new baby brother 'Henley'.**

**Welcome to Ewan Barrett who joined our nursery class this week.**

#### **House Champions**

Pegasus were the proud winners of our House Challenge last term and, as such, are invited to come to school next Friday in non-school uniform. Well done Pegasus.

#### **Christmas Cards and Gifts**

On behalf of all of us, thank you very much for the kind words in your Christmas cards and generous gifts. They were much appreciated.

### **IMPORTANT – changes afoot in Bletchingdon Primary School!**

**From February half term there will be a change in how we communicate with you electronically and how you will pay for lunches / school trips**

**Please see the attached letter about the launch of *Parent Mail and +Pay***

#### **School Website**

Please do take a few minutes to view our website <http://www.bletchingdon.oxon.sch.uk> which has recently been re-vamped. When one spends a lot of time looking at something, you can get to the point where you 'can't see the wood for the trees'. Kate Pick and I would really appreciate any feedback – both positive as well as 'it would be even better if.....' Thank You.

#### **Marvellous Marble Maze Mission:**

Dear All

We are planning a whole school Science competition (in school), as part of a larger Woodstock Schools' Partnership event, and so we will need lots of simple junk modelling resources. School will be able to provide many resources, but any of the following would be very gratefully received from you:

cardboard tubes/boxes; pipe cleaners;  
cardboard; foil;  
bottle lids; newspaper; cotton buds;  
drinking straws; lolly sticks;  
yoghurt pots; plastic spoons.

Watch out around school for posters and details!

Many thanks for your support.

Mrs Kelly

#### **Prayer Spaces**

Just to let you know that we have *Prayer Spaces* with us next Tuesday and Wednesday, who will be setting up in the library again. This year *Prayer Spaces* is linking in with our Big Question '**Do We Need Special Places?**' which in turn links to our whole school topic 'Storms and Shipwrecks'. If you would like to see some examples of the questions the children will be looking at please do go to our website: <http://www.bletchingdon.oxon.sch.uk> Please choose the dropdown box 'Religious Education' under 'Christian Distinctiveness'.

#### **Clubs**

Monday Football (SW Coaching)  
Tuesday Crafts (Years 1, 2 and 3 - £1 per week donation) and SATs (Year 6) please return slip below  
Wednesday Homework (Years 3 – 6) please return slip below  
Thursday Funky Hip-hop / Street Dance (SW Coaching)  
Friday Multi-skills (SW Coaching)

*Enrolment forms in the office for all SW Coaching Clubs*

As well as the above, Jujitsu and Dance are run in the village hall on a Tuesday after school.

**Sickness**

Just to let you know that we have had a couple of cases of sickness this week. We had hoped that the Christmas break would get rid of the bugs, but alas, that has not been the case. Just a reminder that if your child should not return to school for 48 hours after their last bout of sickness or diarrhoea.

**Curriculum Letters to Parents**

Your children will bring these home on Monday

**Dates for your Diary**

Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 1 Phonics meeting for parents @ 3.10pm
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 2 SATs meeting for parents @ 3.10pm
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> January	KS1 visit from Kidlington Fire Crew
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 6 SATs meeting for parents @ 7pm
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> February	Heights and Weights for Reception and Year 6
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Last day of term
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Term resumes
Wednesday 23 <sup>d</sup> February	Scholastic Book Fair arrives (until Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February)
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	School Photographer
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Service at St Giles (TBC)
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> April	Eggstravaganza and Easter Bonnet Parade
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> April	Break up at 1.30pm for Easter Break
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Summer Term

Yours sincerely

Louise Hatton and all the staff

**Headteacher**

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**Bletch Cafe – opening times for 2017**

Tuesday - 2pm-5pm

Wednesday – 9.30 -11.45am

Offers!

Tuesdays – Free tea or instant coffee with food before 3pm

Wednesdays - Freshly cooked bacon rolls and coffee only £2.50 with our early bird special (before 10.30)

Do come along and support this community venture – we would love to see you there.

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**After-School Clubs**

I give consent for ..... to participate in the:

- Craft Club (Year 1, 2 & 3) on Tuesday commencing 10<sup>th</sup> January 3-4pm
- SATS Club (Year 6) on Tuesday commencing 10<sup>th</sup> January 3-4pm
- Homework Club (Year 3 – 6) on Wednesday commencing 11<sup>th</sup> January 3-4pm

  
  


Signed .....