

BLOXHAM C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents/Carers,

STAFF NEWS

LUNCHTIME ASSISTANT VACANCY: We are looking for a lunchtime assistant to start as soon as possible, for 5 days per week for 1 hour a day to cover the lunch period. Experience of working in a school at lunchtime is desirable. Grade for this position is Grade 1 point 6 £7.78 an hour on contract

Successful applicant will be required to complete a DBS check and safeguarding training.

Position is term time only.

If you are interested, please email Sandra Bletchly:

bursar.3064@bloxham-pri.oxon.sch.uk for more details and an application form or call at the main office for an application pack.

PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY: The closing date for nominations for a parent governor has now passed. As no nominations were received, the deadline has now been extended until 9am on Friday 6th October. Do please contact the school if you would like to find out more about being a governor of the school.

HARVEST FESTIVAL: The children are working really hard getting prepared for the Harvest Celebrations. As in previous years, we do hope that the children will bring in a harvest gift for the service, non-perishables only please. This year's charity is Banbury Young Homelessness Project.

PFSU and Pre-School Harvest Celebration will be in the **school hall** on Wednesday October 11th at 2.15pm.

Harvest Festival for Years 1, 2 & 3 will be in **St. Mary's Church, Bloxham** at 10am on Wednesday 11th October.

Harvest Festival for Years 4, 5 & 6 will be in **St. Mary's Church, Bloxham** at 10am on Friday 13th October

CAR PARK REMINDER: Can we remind you that at the end of the day parents should not park in the school car park.

GENERAL NEWS

YOUR URGENT ATTENTION REQUIRED: The data collection sheets were sent out at the start of term, please can you return them URGENTLY. **We need this information in order to complete the school census.** If you require another copy of this form, please contact the school office.

MESSAGE TO YEAR 6 PARENTS: Your child is due to transfer to secondary school in September 2018, please make sure you submit your online application **BEFORE** the closing date

of **31st October** on the Oxfordshire County Council website: www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS: Colourbox will be visiting our school on **Wednesday 5th October** to take individual and family photos. Please ensure your child comes to school in full uniform including red sweatshirt/cardigan. If you have more than one child here, they will also be photographed in a group. The family groups will be taken first thing from 8.15am to 9.00am in the school hall. This is for families with pre-school children and other siblings who do not attend Bloxham Primary to be photographed with their siblings who attend Bloxham Primary (no parents or pre-school children on their own please)

ATTENDANCE

The class with the best attendance w/c 11th September was class 1N with 99.6% and last week (w/c 18th September) was class 2O with 98.7% and they were awarded our attendance Ted. The overall attendance since our last newsletter was 96.45%.

Currently there are children in the early stages of recovery from dislocated shoulder, broken ankle and collar bone attending school. It is excellent that these children have returned to school very quickly after injuring themselves. If your child has a similar injury in the future, please do make certain they return to school as quickly as these children. If we do need to make minor adaptations for example over lunchtime and break to enable this to happen we will only be too pleased to do so.

Can we remind you that we need to see copies of medical appointment letters and children are expected to be in school before/after appointments as we do for staff as well.

FOBPS NEWS

Our first event of the year will be our Fantastic Fireworks on Friday 3rd November. It's always a great night, so hope to see you there. Once again we need your help, so if you can help run a stall on the night or sell advanced tickets before or after school please get in touch by emailing fobps@mail.com

As we struggled with helpers for the Christmas Fayre last year we thought we would give it a break this year and try something different. We will be having a Festive Hollywood and Hotdogs on Friday 1st December.

We are also planning a Quiz and Chips night on Friday 23rd February, more details to follow.

FoBPS have been given some great ideas for future events; potentially a trip to Hook Norton Brewery and movie under the stars which we are looking into. If you have any ideas or

could spare a bit of time at an event helping please do get in touch, thank you.

Note from Mr Ingall: I would like to thank FOBPS, and in particular our stirring band of committee members and officers for the outstanding work they do in support of our school. Their continued commitment enables a whole range of activities and events to continue to take place for the benefit of the whole community.

EVENTS

NCT – NEARLY NEW SALE: There is a nearly new sale at Warriner School on Saturday 30th September from 11.30 – 1pm. Please email NNS.Banbury@NCT.ORG.UK for more details.

CHARITY EVENT: There is a Paradise event in Milcombe on Saturday 30th September in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. Please contact 07763 775493 or website www.residentadvisor.net for more details.

BLOXHAM CYCLE TRAINING: Volunteers are needed to give the children in Y's 5 /6 cycle training. Full training to the volunteers will be given by the Oxfordshire County Council Trained Road Safety Team

Time needed: 6 x 1 ½ hour sessions per course of up to max 12 children (1st course max 8 x children)

You do not need to ride your bike.

Courses are run to suit the volunteer's availability and the school, during the school day. At the end of the course the children are tested by an Oxfordshire County Council Cycle Training Examiner. Once trained up you will be able to run further Cycle Training courses to meet the demands of the children at Bloxham Primary

If you are interested, please contact the school office and leave your name and contact details.

AUTUMN WATER FESTIVAL: The Earth Trust is holding an event on Sunday 1st October, 11am-4pm for their annual celebration of autumn, water and wetlands. There are plenty of aquatic activities on offer. Poem Tree Café will be open, and there's a BBQ from Coopers Oxford Pork. Tickets are £6 for adults, £3 for children or £15 for a family of four; book online for a discount (incurs a booking fee) or pay on the gate. www.earthtrust.org.uk/whatson. Water you waiting for?!

CONGRATULATIONS

ACHIEVEMENT CERTIFICATES: Filip Lynes, Florence Murphy, Indi Jakeman, Joanna Young, Charlie Stapleton, Daniel England, Thomas Finlay, Isla Hart, Joseph McInerney, Rylie Jakeman, Martha Floate, Sophie Phillips, Amber Louise Sammons

BRONZE STAR: Molly Sanderson

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS: Congratulations to **Alfie Brightmore** who shared his 10 metres swimming award and **Holly Brightmore** who completed her stage 6 swimming award. Congratulations to **Lily Baldwin** who shared her award for most improved swimmer.

The following children will receive their certificates tomorrow:

ACHIEVEMENT CERTIFICATES: Khidar Ahmed, Frederika Belcher, Olivia Sullivan, Neve Searle, Lilymae Howse, Reese

Harper, Leyton Boyes, Toby Swan, Adam Duckett, Emily England, Sean Puddle, Ben Johnson, Grace Redhead, Ella Page, Abigail Ward, Amelie De Lukowicz, Finn Blackhall, Martha Simons, Zachary Noad, Isla Pomroy, Philip Buga, Aurora Wojtulewski, Reshe Sureshkumar, Sam Morris, James Piddington, Seth Preedy, Tia Batchelor, Hannah Mitchell, Holly Brightmore, Finnegan Townsend, Skye Guntrip, Matthew Jones, Maxwell Carter, Brooklyn Manley,

BRONZE BADGE: Rhianne Potts

SILVER BADGE: Thomas Smith, Reuben Hearn

BRONZE STAR: Otilie Hedley, Macy Way

GOLD STAR: Lily Baldwin

SPORTS NEWS

Over the past few weeks all classes have been practising their long distance running skills, showing great stamina and determination!

On Monday we welcomed 'Skip2bfit' to Bloxham, which started our 2 minute skipping challenge. The children are trying to beat their score of how many skips in 2 minutes. The idea is all about doing your best and beating your personal best score! We will continue the challenge throughout the year, but it is fantastic to see so many children skipping at playtimes already!

SKIPPING ROPES: There is no pressure to buy the ropes as we have some for lesson times and the dinner ladies will also have some to give out for children to borrow. Please make sure any ropes brought into school are clearly labelled.

We have sold out of skipping ropes, but if you are still wanting to purchase one, please leave your details at the office and we will get more delivered to school. Thank you!

YEAR 4 FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

On Tuesday some of our Year 4 competed in a football tournament at the Warriner against 3 other schools. The event theme was 'respect' and all teachers agreed that the atmosphere on all pitches and amongst all teams reflected this theme really well. So congratulations to all who took part:

Grant Wolbert, Ryan Butler, Will Donovan, Kyle Mcleod, Tom Baldwin, Joseph Lailey, George Earl, Amelia Button, Presley Barnes, Millie Fitton-Alvarez, Olivia Hall, Eleanor Puddle, Allana Pande, Kitty Matthews, Max Pomroy, Kajus Ringys, Ed Hardy, Toby Clinkard, Keira Stegall, Jesse Carter, Liberty Bennett, Gabe Gregory, Ruby Casewell, Seion Champkins, Ethan Thomas and Dylan Blackhall.

One of our teams won all their matches and have qualified for the next round!

Yours sincerely,

Mr. M. Ingall
Headteacher