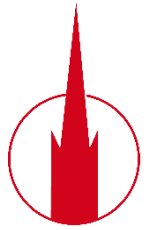


Bloxham C of E Primary School

Newsletter 13 – January 28th 2022



Value – Courage

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you are all having a good week. I unfortunately have had to isolate and am working at home. I have missed seeing you all on the gate in the mornings and am looking forward to seeing you next week.

We are pleased to be able to attach the responses to the Parent Questionnaire. Thank you for sending your comments and feedback. The Leadership Team and Governing Body are working together on a plan to review these and deliver the necessary improvements.

We have now sent the link to the presentation on the School Improvement Plan and apologise for the delay in sending this.

We are really hoping that some face to face curriculum evenings will be able to take place soon. In the meantime, we are planning some short briefings and workshops remotely on specific curriculum areas such as phonics. We will continue to consult with you on specific aspects of school life for your feedback and input into our plans

Covid Update

We are aware that some restrictions out in the big wide world have been eased. Please be assured that our Risk Assessment and Contingency Plan is still in place and takes account of the numbers of cases across the school. We are continuing to take regular advice from the Education COVID Team at Oxfordshire to assist with these plans. We will continue to update you on your child's class individually if cases rise.

NSPCC 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' online programme

A letter was sent to parents / carers this week outlining a safeguarding programme which teachers will be delivering to their classes in the coming weeks, with materials pitched at the relevant key stage. In the letter were links to useful resources that parents/ carers might find useful to share with their child at home. If you have any questions, please do get in touch.

Maths

Please see this link for a Maths app aimed at FS and KS1 but which could benefit some older children.

<https://whiterosemaths.com/resources/1-minute-maths#download>

Best wishes for a relaxing weekend. Lisa Horton and staff team.

Exciting Announcement

We are very excited to be able to share some staff news with you Mrs Parsons who teaches Year 6 is expecting a baby and will be going on Parental Leave sometime just before the end of the summer term. We send our congratulations to Mrs Parsons and her husband.

We are very pleased that Mrs Parsons will be able to see the class through their SATS tests and are working hard to secure a replacement teacher whilst Mrs Parsons is taking leave. We will update you once we have some more information.

Attendance Ladder

We are continuing to promote good attendance at school despite the challenge of COVID. We appreciate that some children have not been able to be in school due to illness and COVID and take this into account when we analyse attendance figures. We are going to share this poster with the children, so they are aware of the impact of having too many days off school. Please get in touch if you need any support with your child's attendance.



RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch

It's easy to do Big Garden Birdwatch. Simply choose an hour between 28 and 30 January and count the birds that you see land in your garden, local park or from your balcony. Then go online to share what saw! You can find handy guides, activities and more on the website.

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/birdwatch/everything-you-need-to-know-about-big-garden-birdwatch/>
We'd love to see some photos of your birdwatching - please send these to the office. Good luck!