

BLOXHAM CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter 9 - 8th February 2019

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STAFF NEWS

After what will be 17 years of outstanding service, Mrs Freeman has informed me that she will be retiring at Easter. I know you will want to join me in thanking her for changing children's lives for the better whilst working at our school. Fortunately we will still see Mrs Freeman around as her grandchildren attend our school.

WORLD BOOK DAY

On 7th March we will be celebrating World Book Day in School. Children can dress up as a book character of their choice. Suggested donation £1.

There will also be a range of other activities on World Book Day to continue to inspire a love of reading on this day and further details about these will be detailed in the next newsletter.

ATTENDANCE

The attendance from 28th January to 6th February was 95.67%.

The classes with the best attendance were:

w/c 21st January 6J with 99.7%

w/c 28th January F1PR with 99.6%

EASTER PLAY SCHEME

Monday 8th April – Thursday 18th April inclusive (9 days) in School.

LONG DAY £30.00 per day-8.00 to 6.00
SHORT DAY £21.00 per day-8.30 to 3.30
AGE GROUP 4-11 years

see email sent on 15th January 2019 for more information.

PFSU

PFSU are holding a break time cake sale on Thursday 14th February. All cakes will be 50p each. This is to raise funds to purchase and install a wooden pirate ship in the PFSU garden.

2019 HOLIDAY DATES

February 18th-22nd - School Holiday
April 8th-22nd - Easter Holiday
May 6th - May Day Bank Holiday
May 24th - Inset Day
May 27th - 31st School Holiday
July 19th - School finishes at 3.15pm
September 3rd 2019 - Term 1 starts at 8.55am

WINTER WEATHER

Thank you to everyone for your support and cooperation last Friday when we had to take the decision to close the school due to the weather. Just to reiterate, in the event of bad weather we will do all we can to ensure that school stays open as long as it is safe to do so. If we are unable to open due to bad weather on any particular morning, we will put a message on our school website, as well as informing local radio stations. We will also send a message via our text message service. A decision will be made by 7.30am at the absolute latest.

If we have to close during the school day for any reason we will use all of the above methods of communication, including the text service. If you have recently changed your number please let the office know.

SCHOOL MUSIC FESTIVAL

On the 6th July our school will be hosting 'The Big Festival in the Playground 3'. During the day the acts on stage will be: Year 4 First Access group, Choir, Guy's guitar group, Orchestra and Ukulele band, Ms Coles and Mr Owens' instrument pupils, 'Bloxham's Got Talent' finalists, African drummers and a dance group.

There will also be fair rides and stalls, face painting, crafts and a BBQ and bar.

During the evening there will be a number of professional live acts on stage: The Skalectrics, Selena Evangeline, The Seven O'Clock Junkies and DJ Haydn.

Please see the letter sent on 7th February about purchasing a T-Shirt with a festival logo.

We will be looking for helpers to run stalls for the event so if you are interested please let the office know.

FOBPS DISCO

Year 1/2	1 st March 3.30pm-4.30pm
Year 3/4	1 st March 5.00pm-6.00pm
Year 5/6	8 th March 5.00pm-6.00pm

There will be 3 separate sessions due to space in the hall. Tickets will be £4 each and this will include a glow stick and a drink.

Letter to follow with more details.

LIBRARY

Thank you to those that have volunteered to help in the library. If anyone else would like to join our team of parent volunteer librarians please contact the school office.



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CELEBRATING CHILDREN'S SUCCESS

Achievement Certificates

Year 2	Hamish
Year 3	Calum
Year 4	Amelia, Ethan, Harrison,
Year 5	Martha, Ava, Olivia, Elise, Emily, Ruby, Erin, Ellie, Ethan, Jensen
Year 6	Hannah, Lexi, Heidi, Adam, Holly, Rhianna

Bronze Badge	Lahna Year 5
Silver Badge	Oliver Year 3
Gold Badge	Grant Year 5, Elisha Year 6
Bronze Star	Katie Year 5, Finley Year 6
Silver Star	Kitty Year 5
Red Star	Macy Year 6

Book of Choice:

Year 4	Joe, Thomas
Year 5	Allana, Kyle, Joe

Congratulations to:

Reuben in Year 4 for a certificate in climbing
Jasper in Year 1 for a red award in gymnastics
Elleah in Year 1 for a certificate and Bronze Medal for Mime
Emily in Year 6 for a LAMDA Level 1 (Grade 2) Merit award in Performance
Layla in Year 6 for a LAMDA Level 1 (Grade 2) Distinction award in Performance

The following is from Layla in Year 6

'I will be selling homemade necklaces/bracelets outside school on Thursday 14th February. The money raised will be going to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation because my 7 year old cousin has been diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes. The costs will be: necklaces £3.50 big paracord bracelets £3.50 small paracord bracelets £3.00'

SPORTING NEWS

Over the last three weeks, all Year 6 children have been offered the opportunity to take part in some Indoor Athletics events at the Warriner School. It has been great to see so many children taking part in running, jumping and throwing events, working as individuals, but towards a team goal.

All the children have showed such passion, determination, skill and teamwork. We have been very proud of all of their efforts.

Members of staff from other schools have also commented on just what outstanding ambassadors for our school Year 6 pupils were at these events.

Matthew Ingall
Headteacher



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