



# The Blake CE Primary School

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*Committed to the care and education of your child within a Christian setting*

**Value of the Month: Forgiveness**

**Newsletter Term 2: 2018/19 (13)**

**Dear Parents/Carers,**

*In our Collective Worships during Lent, we have been thinking about 40 Acts of Kindness. The children have been decorating our Easter Tree with their thoughts on this as we lead up to Easter.*

**Tim Edwards-Grundy**

## Values Award Certificates:

**Congratulations to this week's winners:**

George Allen, Sydney Baldwin, Max Aston, Isabelle Corke, Aoife Grimshaw, Louie Park, Ruby Tyas-Heast, Ambre Vian Heraud, Eva Carter, Nathaniel Neill, Ben White, Jacob Gilbert, Aimee Mullins, Evie James



**and to last week's winners:**

De'Angelo Duraturo, Olivia Edwards, George Chapman, Aarya Fowler, Olivia Justo Rutherford, Noah Benson, Amelia Bywaters, Bryony Higgs, Natalia Fancova, Katie Robinson, Isabella Kominek



## Our Easter Tree:



## Advance Notice of Dates for Sports Days:

We would like to give you advance notice of our dates and reserve dates for our Sports Days this year.

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be on the morning of Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June from 9.30am, with a reserve date of Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June, in case it rains on 18<sup>th</sup> June.

Reception and Years 1 and 2 will be on the morning of Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June from 9.30am, with a reserve date of Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July.

Reception races will be on the afternoon of Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June from 1.45pm, with a reserve date of Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July.

### Dates for your Diaries:

- Year 2 Trip - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March
- Year 4 Cake Sale - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March
- Quiz Night - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March
- Reception and Year 6 - height and weight measuring - School Health Nurses - Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March
- Parents' Evening - Year 5 only - Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March - 5 - 7pm
- Parents' Evening - all year groups - Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March - 4 - 6pm
- Parents' Evening - NOT Year 5 - Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April - 5 - 7pm
- Parent Forum - Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 2.30pm
- Year 5 Performance - Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 6pm
- Year 5 Performance - Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm
- Term ends **at 3.15pm** - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April
- Allocation of Primary School Places for September 2019 - Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April
- Term begins - Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April
- Reception closed - Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May
- Year 6 SATs Week - Monday 13<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May
- Year 4 Trip - Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May
- Year 5 Partnership Concert - Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May
- Term ends **at 3.15pm** - Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May
- INSET Day - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June
- Summer Fair - Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June
- KS2 Sports Day - Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June at 9.30am (Reserve Date Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June)
- Reception & KS1 Sports Day - Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 9.30am (Reserve Date 1<sup>st</sup> July)
- Reception Races - Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 1.45pm (Reserve Date Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July)
- School Discos - Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 4.30pm (Reception & KS1) & 6pm (KS2)
- Year 6 Transfer Days - Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July

- Quiz Night - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July
- Year 6 Leavers' Service at St. Mary's Church, Cogges - Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July at 10am
- Year 6 Leavers' Party - Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July
- Term ends **at 1.30pm** - Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

### Creating Calm

At home, work and with yourself

4<sup>th</sup> April 6.30-8.30pm  
Carter Institute, Main Street, Clanfield, OX18 2SJ

**Do you ever hear yourself say...**  
Why don't they listen?  
You're making me so angry!  
How many times do I have to tell them?  
They just don't understand!  
Why do I bother?  
You don't get it!  
It's all your fault!  
You're driving me mad!

Yes? It is not only you!

**Can you fix it? Yes, you can!**

This PopUp will be the beginning of a new chapter for you & the ideas we talk about will help you fix the frustration.

**BOOK NOW**  
£15 per booking  
@  
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/creating-calm-at-home-work-and-with-ourselves-tickets-58430560379>  
or on the link @[www.trainwithmo.co.uk](http://www.trainwithmo.co.uk)

Please speak to Judith Ledden, our Home School Key Worker, for more information.

*Free parking & refreshments*



## THE OXFORD & CAMBRIDGE SINGING SCHOOL

The Singing School was established in 2013 to provide children with the opportunity to sing great classical music with world class coaches in a relaxed and fun environment and to develop their confidence and ability in singing and performing.

This Easter, we will be learning some beautiful seasonal music by Handel, Gibbons and John Ireland as well as some light-hearted pieces by Cole Porter and Aaron Copland. And, as always on our courses, we will be giving sessions on vocal technique, music theory, music appreciation and history.

To join our mailing list and for more information on our courses, please see [www.oxbridgesingschool.com](http://www.oxbridgesingschool.com) or email [oxbridgess@gmail.com](mailto:oxbridgess@gmail.com)

APRIL 8-10<sup>TH</sup> 2019  
WORCESTER COLLEGE  
OXFORD

[www.oxbridgesingschool.co.uk](http://www.oxbridgesingschool.co.uk)




## Easter Holiday Courses 2019

### Weekdays from 8th - 19th April

Fun and Educational

Flexible Bookings

Low Coach : Pupil ratios

Sessions for children aged 4 - 16

Childcare Vouchers accepted

**Week 1**  
April 8th - 12th

**Tennis Course**  
Venue: Lower Windrush Tennis Club - Standlake  
Time: 9am - 12pm  
Ages: 4 - 16 years

**Multi-Sport Course**  
Venue: Eynsham Community Tennis Facility - Bartholomew School  
Time: 1pm - 3pm  
Ages: 9 - 16 years

**Week 2**  
April 15th - 19th

**Tennis Course**  
Venue: Witney Tennis Club  
Time: 9am - 12pm Half Day  
12pm - 3pm Half Day  
9am - 3pm Full Day  
Ages: 4 - 16 years

**Tennis Course**  
Venue: Eynsham Community Tennis Facility - Bartholomew School  
Time: 4pm - 6pm  
Ages: 4 - 16 years

For more information or to book please visit our website or contact us:  
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[www.exceltennisacademy.co.uk](http://www.exceltennisacademy.co.uk)



## Nurturing Programme

Beginning 30 April 2019



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There are ten 2-hour sessions



Refreshments and crèche provided

**Children are rewarding and fun...**  
 ... but looking after them can be stressful and challenging.

The Nurturing Programme helps to deal with those challenges so you can have a **calmer, happier family life**.

### What does it cover?

<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; width: 40px; height: 40px; line-height: 40px; margin: 0 auto;">1</div> <p><b>UNDERSTANDING</b> WHY CHILDREN BEHAVE AS THEY DO</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; width: 40px; height: 40px; line-height: 40px; margin: 0 auto;">2</div> <p><b>RECOGNISING</b> THE FEELINGS BEHIND BEHAVIOUR</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; width: 40px; height: 40px; line-height: 40px; margin: 0 auto;">3</div> <p><b>EXPLORING</b> DIFFERENT APPROACHES TO DISCIPLINE</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; width: 40px; height: 40px; line-height: 40px; margin: 0 auto;">4</div> <p><b>LEARNING</b> THE IMPORTANCE OF LOOKING AFTER OURSELVES</p>
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For further information please call **Jo Smith**  
 at the **Carterton Family Centre** on **07973 943 903**




## 10 % Holiday Course Discount Voucher

Holiday Tennis and Multi-Sport Courses

Ages 4 - 16

Low Coach - Pupil Ratio

Ofsted Registered

Flexible Bookings

Childcare Vouchers Accepted

As your Primary School has joined up with the 'Excel Tennis Academy Schools Partnership' we would like to offer your children a 10% discount on our holiday courses.

All the information on the holiday courses can be found on our website. For more information you can also contact us using the details below.

**Using the voucher**

- 1) Use code 'school' if paying online using a debit card
- 2) Fill out the voucher and send it to Excel Tennis Academy, 19 Bryony Gardens, Carterton, Oxfordshire, OX18 1JN.

Please fill out this form using **BLOCK CAPITALS**

Pupil's name.....

Email Address.....

Telephone number.....

School.....

07734 059769 | [info@exceltennis.co.uk](mailto:info@exceltennis.co.uk)  
[www.exceltennisacademy.co.uk](http://www.exceltennisacademy.co.uk)

**Hedgehog Club Activity Days at Hailey Community Wood from 9.30am - 3.30pm. For children aged 5 to 11 years.**

**11<sup>th</sup> April 2019:**

*Can you survive in the wild?*

This day is all about what lives in what nature has to offer. You will need to find materials to build a shelter, make a water filter to clean some water, go on a foraging walk to see what we can find to make a survival stew with. We will learn to light a fire to cook our stew and toast some marshmallows (that we happen to have in our bags!). It costs £30 for 1 child and £25 for each sibling.

Hot chocolate, squash and home-made biscuits are also available.

**18<sup>th</sup> April 2019:**

*Woodland Explorers Day*

This day is all about what lives in the woods. We will go on a track hunt and see what evidence we can find, play tree and plant ID games and go bug hunting.

We will build dens for ourselves and for the bugs, as well as a bird hide, and we will see how many birds we can spot. We will make some bread to cook on the fire and enjoy being in the outdoors.

Go to the website to book and pay for your place. Select Hailey Wood to find the correct activity. Joining instructions will be sent nearer the date. Any questions do get in touch Mandy on: [thehedgehogclub123@gmail.com](mailto:thehedgehogclub123@gmail.com)

**Spend the Easter Holidays with The Hedgehog Club.**

**This is where you will find me.**

**Mondays 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> - Wild Ways**

Full days of outdoor fun and challenges at Colliers Copse, near Appleton. There will be different age groups from 5- 14+

Check out the Wild Ways Face Book page for all the activities and links to the booking page or contact Martyn for more information: [martyn@inourelement.org.uk](mailto:martyn@inourelement.org.uk)

**Tuesdays 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> - Woodland Club at Cogges, Witney**

Join me down by the adventure playground for mud kitchen fun, den building, bug hunting, marshmallow toasting and much more. The sessions start at 10am and are free with your entrance fee.

**Wednesdays 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. Blenheim Palace Family Forest School**

Come and join me down by the lake for outdoor fun including den building, slope sliding, bug hunting and more. The day is from 10.30am until 3pm and is free with your entrance fee. Just drop in and stay for as long as you like.

**Thursdays 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. The Hedgehog Club activity days.**

Join me at Hailey Community Wood near Witney for fun days in the outdoors.

Any comments or questions contact me on [thehedgehogclub123@gmail.com](mailto:thehedgehogclub123@gmail.com)