



# 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: **Mercy**

Newsletter Term 4: 2017/18 (12)

*Dear Parents/Carers,*

*Thank you for embracing book week with your children last week. The book fair raised £1,040, which entitles the school to £560 worth of books. It was lovely to see so many parents, grand-parents and carers in school, reading with the children on Tuesday morning. The children all looked amazing in their book day outfits, despite the snow on Thursday.*

*Tim Edwards-Grundy*

## Values Award Certificates:

Congratulations to this week's winners:

Amelia Gilks, Thomasina Smith, Maya Batt, Abigail Manley,  
Erin Dunne, Ronni Strachan, Louis Hickman, Virgil Targett,  
Joseph Gillmore, Jaydn Just, Theo Howse, Chloe Train



and to last week's winners:

Lily-Mae Green, George Chapman, Madeline Ormonde, Ambre  
Vian Heraud, Maria Cavaliere, Finley Castree, Oliver Curtis,  
Holly Dunne, Morgan Peace, Asher Wright, Jacob Boreham



## School Playground:

We would like to clarify our position of supervision in the mornings; we do not provide a supervised playtime for children in the morning, and we ask that children are supervised by their parents/carers in order to ensure their safety and that of others. A member of staff is on duty from 8.45am, but purely in a safeguarding capacity; children in Year 6 arriving unaccompanied must not arrive before 8.45am. We do not allow ball games or use of school equipment before school to enable parents/carers to bring the children across the playground safely. We would also like to remind you that children should not play on the trim trail before or after school.

Thank you for your cooperation.

## Governor Questionnaire:

The staff and governors would like to invite you to complete their annual survey to parents and carers. Your feedback is very important and will be used to help decide school development priorities for 2018/19. Please complete the [short online questionnaire](#) no later than 29th March 2018. If you do not have access to this on-line, please do ask for a paper copy from the school office. Thank-you.

### Year 6 Athletics:

On 27<sup>th</sup> February, a Year 6 team represented The Blake at the West Oxfordshire Sports Hall Athletic Finals. All the children performed well and finished a creditable 3<sup>rd</sup>. Well done.



### Parents' Evenings:

This term Parent's Evenings will be on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> and Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March. We will let you know as soon as the booking slots are available on the school website.

### Girl Guiding Advert for Volunteers:

Being a leader in Girl Guiding is brilliant fun - in the last year we have been on day trips and residential, held parties and challenge days, had visits from guide dogs, scientists, magicians, politicians and charities, visited libraries, fire stations and the fish and chip shop.

To make sure that this can keep happening, we really need some more adults to come and help us. Two of our rainbow units are in danger of closing if we can't find new leaders. Rainbows are aged 5-7 and enjoy crafts, games, singing and sometimes a little bit of being loud! The times and venues could be changed to suit new leaders.

If you think you would enjoy doing something really worthwhile and rewarding, while at the same time having a lot of fun and sometimes eating chocolate, please do get in touch via the girl guiding website: [www.girlguiding.org.uk/get-involved/become-a-volunteer/](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk/get-involved/become-a-volunteer/). Thank you.

### Dates for your Diaries:

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March - Homework Workshop: 3.30 - 5pm

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March - Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March: Year 4 Residential to Bath and Chedworth

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March - Choir at Chipping Norton Music Festival

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March - Year 2 Partnership Concert at Wood Green School at 6pm

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March - Fun with Phonics Part 1: 3.30 - 5pm

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March - Year 2 Trip to The Story Museum

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March - Fun with Phonics Part 2: 3.30-5pm

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March - Parents' Evening from 3.30 - 6pm

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March - National Children's Measurement Programme - Reception and Year 6

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March - Year 5 Performance at 2pm

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March - Parents' Evening from 4.30 - 7pm

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March - Year 5 Performance at 6pm

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March - Term ends at **3.15pm**

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April - Term begins

**Please see the calendar on the school website for further School Dates. Lists of holiday dates and school term dates can be found under Useful Information on the website.**

### Wednesday Afternoon Workshops:

Just a reminder of the events still to come:

Wed. 7th March 3.30-5pm - Helping your Child with Homework (now a single workshop not two)

Wed. 14th March 3.30-5pm - Fun with Phonics Part 1 (for parents and carers of children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2)

Wed. 21st March 3.30-5pm - Fun with Phonics Part 2

All workshops will be in the school hall. If you haven't already done so, please book your place so that we can provide sufficient refreshments and handouts! Thank you.

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