



# 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 (13)

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**Dear Parents/Carers,**

*I would like to congratulate the Year 2 children and their teachers for all the hard work they put into the wonderful Partnership concert on Tuesday; I hope the children enjoyed taking part in this. I would also like to congratulate the Year 4 children and their teachers for a successful trip to Bath and Chedworth last week; I know that all the children had a fantastic time and learnt a lot. We were very proud of you all!*

**Tim Edwards-Grundy**

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## **Values Award Certificates:**

Congratulations to this week's winners:

Jackson Sprague, Devon Squire, Finley Ker, Maximilian Shaw, Harvey Minion, Jude Smith, Mason Blake, Sam Jackson, Bethany Airey, Lexie Boshier, Karlien Matthee, Antonio Perritt



## **Netball:**

On Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March, the Year 6 netball team took part in the West Oxfordshire Netball Finals. The children all played fantastic netball and won the competition for the fourth year in a row. They will now go on to play in the Oxfordshire finals in April.

## **Healthy Food:**

Please could we remind you that we are a 'Healthy School' and, as such, children should bring a healthy snack, which should not contain chocolate or nuts. We recommend fresh fruit or vegetables or a healthy snack bar for their break time snack. Thank you for your cooperation.

## **School Choir:**

A huge thank you to the choir and their supporters, who came to Chipping Norton festival last Saturday. The children were incredible and their performance brought a smile to so many faces. They more than deserved the distinction that they were awarded. Congratulations.

## **Library Books:**

We will be auditing all the books in the library over the next few weeks. Please could the children return all school library books by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March. We will not be re-issuing books until after Easter. Thank you.

### Governor Questionnaire:

Thank you to all those of you who have already responded to the annual survey. If you have not yet done so, please could you complete the [short online questionnaire](#) by 29th March 2018. If you do not have access to this on-line, please do ask for a paper copy from the school office. Your feedback is very important to us and will be used to help decide school development priorities for 2018/19. Thank-you.

### Year 5 Meeting for Quinta:

On Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm, there will be a meeting for the parents of children who are currently in Year 5 about the Year 6 residential trip to Quinta in the Autumn Term. Please do come along to this informative meeting with Miss Main and Mr Hope.

Dear Parents/Carers and Pupils,

We would like to let you know about opportunities to join the Excel Tennis Academy Holiday Tennis Courses running during the Easter holidays.

Attached is a leaflet with information about the courses and also a Discount Voucher for you to use, as your school is part of the Excel Tennis Academy Schools Partnership.

The Excel Tennis Academy will be running the following courses for children aged 4 - 16:

Week 1: Tuesday 3rd April - Friday 6th April at the Lower Windrush Tennis Club, Standlake

Week 2: Monday 9th April - Friday 13th April at the Witney Lawn Tennis Club, Burford Road

More information can be found on the Excel Tennis Academy website using this link:  
<http://www.exceltennisacademy.co.uk/holiday-courses>

If you have any questions about the courses or would like any more details, please e-mail [Edward.large@exceltennis.co.uk](mailto:Edward.large@exceltennis.co.uk) or phone 07734 059769.

### Dates for your Diaries:

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March - Quinta Meeting at 6pm

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

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March - Parents' Evening from 3.30 - 6pm - NOT 1JP/1RP

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March - Parents' Evening from 3.30 - 5.40pm - 1JP/RP

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.**

## THE OXFORD & CAMBRIDGE SINGING SCHOOL

EASTER 2018

12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> April 2018

WORCESTER COLLEGE, OXFORD

### About us

Established in 2013, *The Oxford and Cambridge Singing School* is for boys and girls aged 7-13 who love to sing. The singing school was established to give children 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.

### About the course

Based at Worcester College, Oxford, pupils will learn some beautiful music and at the same time gain a background in vocal technique, music theory and history. The focus of this course will be *The English Romantics* and features music by composers such as Hubert Parry, Charles Wood and Ralph Vaughan Williams.

Families are most welcome to come and listen to a mini-concert at the end of each day. Courses include whole-group singing, musical games and exercises to improve sight reading, small group vocal coaching and much more.

*"How lucky are these young singers. They are brilliantly taught and have lots of fun and you will be amazed at what they achieve in just a few days - all in the most beautiful surroundings." Bob Chilcott.*

*"Thank you for another fabulous course! His teachers have said they notice a real difference!"*

*"My son loves your courses. It's the only thing he sets his alarm for".*

*"Thank you! Your course was the high-light of the holidays."*

We have regular courses in Oxford, Cambridge and Guildford. For more information and to book a space, please visit our website.

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

