



# 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: Justice  
Newsletter Term 3: 2017/18 (9)

*Dear Parents/Carers,*

*I do hope you and your families had a peaceful Christmas and New Year. It has been lovely to see the children back in school and to hear about what they did over the Christmas break. We begin this year by focussing on the value of justice. Thank you for all you do as a parent body to support us as a school; it makes all the difference to your children. Thank you also to everyone who attended the Parents' Forum this week. As a follow up to the forum, and for those of you who were unable to attend, we will provide further information next week.*

*Tim Edwards-Grundy*

## Values Award Certificates:

Congratulations to this week's winners:

Adriana Sage, Dylan Thiele, Aoife Grimshaw, Samuel Phillips-Khan, Lily Holden, Lottie Harris, Annabella Kelliher, Connor Hitchman, Eleanor Williamson, Ellie Jackson, Adam Robinson



## School Lunches:

We would like to reassure you that we have secured a new provider for our school meals. We will send home more information with new menus as soon as we are able but, for the time being, please continue to follow our current menu and we will keep you informed of any changes. **On Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January, the pizza choice will be ham or margherita.**

## Curriculum Overviews for Terms 3 & 4:

Please see your children's Year Group pages on the school website for an overview of the work planned for them until Easter.

## Football:

Last week, our school football team played Ducklington in their semi-final match. Both teams struggled to play their usual level of football, given the difficult conditions on the pitch. Both sides had a few opportunities but, unfortunately for us, Ducklington managed to convert one of their attempts into a goal to win 1:0. Well done to Ducklington.

## Swimming:

On Friday 12th January, Mrs Bishop and Mrs Doland took a team of boys and a team of girls to compete in the Witney Swimming Gala. Both teams swam brilliantly and supported each other. We are extremely proud that the boys' team won the event and will now represent the school at the West Oxfordshire Finals.

### Dates for your Diaries:

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January - Literacy Workshop:  
3.30 - 5pm  
Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February - Phonics Workshop:  
3.30 - 5pm  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February - Pantomime for Reception  
and Years 1, 2 and 3  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February - Term ends at **3.15pm**

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February - Phonics Workshop:  
3.30 - 5pm  
Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February - Confidence  
Workshop: 3.30 - 5pm  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March - School Discos  
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  
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 - Homework Workshop:  
3.30 - 5pm  
Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March - National Children's  
Measurement Programme - Reception and Year 6  
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.

### Warm Clothing:

Now that the weather is much colder, please remember that children must bring coats to wear at playtimes. It is advisable that children have a pair of jogging trousers and a sweat shirt in their PE kit for outside PE.



### Snow/Emergency Closure:

In the event of snow/emergency closure of the school, parents will be notified by e-mail or text, so please let us know of any changes to your contact details as soon as possible. Snow closures will also be on the OCC schools' website and on the local radio stations (BBC Radio Oxford and Heart).



### 3<sup>rd</sup> Witney Rainbows - new leader/s required!

3<sup>rd</sup> Witney Rainbows are looking for a new leader / new leaders to take over the running of this group from Easter 2018. The current leaders are stepping down after many years of service and, unless new leaders can be found, this group may have to close.

The group meet at Madley Park Hall on Wednesdays from 5.45 - 6.45pm during term time.

No previous experience is needed as full training will be given.

If you are interested, please email [madleyrainbows@gmail.com](mailto:madleyrainbows@gmail.com) or contact Louise on 07792926421, or you can speak to Becky Raven at school.

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