



# 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: Compassion

Newsletter Term 1: 2018/19 (5)



*Dear Parents/Carers,*

*Please do have a look at the separate attachment from Witney Town Council, giving details of local commemorative events. If you have time, do have a look at the mosaics in the Corn Exchange. Some of our pupils helped to produce our mosaic soldier in preparation for this.*

*Tim Edwards-Grundy*

## Values Award Certificates:

Congratulations to this week's winners:

Dexter O'Sullivan, Charlie Walker, Abigail Manley, Tobias

Young, Owen Gomersall, Archie Hyatt, Charlotte Johnson,

Thomas Peedell, Claudia Albert, Georgia Minion



## Data Check Sheets:

Many thanks to all those of you who have already returned your child's data check sheets. If you have not already done so, please could you return these as soon as possible.

## The Friends' Fundraising Events:

The Friends would like to remind you that they have a number of fundraising events coming up:

Tomorrow, your child may bring a teddy or cuddly toy to school to look after. Please hand voluntary donations to your child's class teacher in the morning. The Friends suggest £1.

On Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November, the Friends are holding their annual Quiz Night in the school hall from 7.30 - 10.30pm.

On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November, the school discos will be held in the school hall. Please note the new timings for these below.

On Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December, the Christmas Fair will be held in the school hall from 11am - 2pm.

## Oxfordshire Book Awards Ceremony:

On Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November, a group of children visited the Oxfordshire Book Awards Ceremony, where prizes were awarded to the authors of the winning books. Authors Greg James and Chris Smith both kindly signed a copy of their book Kid Normal for our school library.

Please do support these if you are able.

Term begins - Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January

### Children in Need - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November:

Next Friday is the official Children in Need day. If your child would like to support this event, they may wear spotty accessories, e.g. socks, tie, t-shirt, official headgear, with their school uniform on that day. Please hand any donations to the national campaign to your child's class teacher in the morning.

### Warm Clothing:

Now that the weather is getting 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.



### Dates for your Diaries:

Bring a Teddy to School - Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November

Children in Need - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November

Friends' Quiz Night - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November

School Discos - Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November from 5 - 6pm (KS1) and from 6.30 - 7.30pm (KS2)

Christmas Fair - Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December

Year 6 Cake Sale - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December

Flu Vaccinations (Reception - Year 5) - Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December

Reception Performance - Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm

Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December

Years 1 & 2 Performance - Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm

Years 3 & 6 Carol Service - Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm in St. Mary's Church, Cogges

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Years 4 & 5 Carol Service - Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm in St. Mary's Church, Cogges

Term Ends - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 1.30pm

### Christmas Cards:

This week, your child should bring home the proof of their Christmas card design, together with an order form. Please return the order form to your child's class teacher by Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November. We apologise for the short notice. Many thanks. The Friends.



**Christmas Events 2018**

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December**  
6.30pm Carols in the Barn at Cogges Farm  
Carols and readings in a unique festive atmosphere

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December**  
4pm Christingle Service  
A service for children and all the family with Carols, the Christmas Story and Christingle candle lighting

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December**  
5pm & 7pm Carol Services  
Contemporary carol service with mulled wine and mince pies served afterwards

**Christmas Eve**  
3.30pm & 4.30pm Nativity Service  
A family-friendly exploration of the Christmas story  
11pm Carols and Communion  
A traditional midnight service

**Christmas Day**  
8am Traditional Communion Service  
9.30am & 10.45am Christmas Services: Family services for all ages

INSET Day - Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January