What's on?











Driving and parking safely

As a school we are very fortunate to have access to a very large car park. We know that at drop off and pick up times this car park can be very busy but for everyone's safety, please can we ask the following –

- Do not park on the residential roads around the school our neighbours feel trapped for up to an hour each day by parents using their pavements and roads as a car park.
- Park considerately take your time to park well so that as many cars as possible can park in the available space.
- Do not use the staff car park (unless you have a disabled badge). For everyone's safety, please do not use the gates into the staff car park as a turning circle.
- Wait! If the car park is full, please pull over and wait for a space to become available.
- Consider walking, cycling or scooting to school with your child. The vast majority of our children live within a mile of the school. Leaving the car at home is better for the environment and for everyone's health.

The speed limit on all roads around the school is now 20mph, please make sure that you adhere to this speed limit. Children and their parents cross Cogges Hill Road at several different points. There was a near miss this week when a car overtook a vehicle that had courteously stopped to allow children to cross the road in safety.

We want children to be safe not just in school but when they are coming to and from school also – please support us by driving and parking responsibly, even when you are running late! Thank-you!

Library books

We are enormously grateful to Nick Reynolds, who has invested a huge number of hours in ensuring our library is well stocked, books are in the right place and everything is appropriately catalogued.

It has become apparent that some children have quite a few library books 'checked out'. Please can you check your shelves at home to make sure that you do not have any of our library books? If you find any of our books, please do return them to school so that they can be borrowed by other children. Many thanks.

Easter trail winners

We hope everyone enjoyed taking part in the Easter trail organised by The Friends.

The winners of the prize draw are -

- Lilia Fry
- Anastasia Hudson
- Darcey Perks
- Tobias Shaw
- Leo Tysom

Congratulations to them all. Please can the parents of these children come to the office to collect their prize?



For families supporting children on the autistic spectrum

Please come and join us on **Friday 28th April** for a friendly cuppa and chat.

All families welcome, with or without a diagnosis.

Welcome Church, High St, Witney OX28 6HL

10am - 12noon

To confirm attendance, or just to ask any questions, please email chatandacuppa@yahoo.com

Upcoming dates: Friday May 26th and Friday June 30th



Diary dates

Mr Walker's re-arranged parents' evenings are taking place on Tuesday 25th April. Parents who had appointments postponed before the Easter break should attend at their previous appointment time on that day.

There are two statutory Bank Holidays coming up (Monday 1st May and Monday 8th May).

On Thursday 4th May the Early Years classrooms will be being used as a polling station. The Early Years children will be having a day of exciting learning in the hall.

On Friday 5th May we will be having a 'red, white and blue' themed non-school uniform day, to raise money for The Friends. (See details later in this email)

KS2 SATs week is Tuesday 9th – Friday 12th May.

Year 5 – Tuesday 9th May, Crime Scene Science.

Year 4 performance to parents - Wednesday 24th May at 6pm.

Year 4 performance to parents - Thursday 25th May at 2pm.

Friends Sponsored Fundraising event during the school day – Friday 26th May. (More details to follow)

Mrs Hayes' class will be swimming after the halfterm break.

Quiz evening organised by The Friends – Friday 16th June. (More details to follow)

Year 5, Ranger Stu - Friday 23rd June.

Year 4, Stone Age day - Tuesday 4th July.

Year 6 transition days (Wood Green and Henry Box): Monday 3rd – Wednesday 5th July.

End of term – Thursday 20th July at 1:30pm.

Loving, learning and flourishing in community



To celebrate the upcoming Coronation and raise some money for the school, we are having a



Children are encouraged to wear Red, White & Blue, in any combination they wish.

El donation towards The Friends Of Blake School Association

