

What's on?

School lunches next week

If you would like your child to have a school meal next week, please book using the [following link](#).

Year 6 children do not need to book meals as they will be at Quinta. Year 1 children will be on a trip on Wednesday and so will not need a meal that day.

Prayer spaces

After the half-term break, each of our classes will be spending some time at St Mary's Cogges, enjoying their prayer spaces.

We usually enjoy prayer spaces as part of our RE and Art week, but as the church was having building work done this year we were unable to do so this year.

We are very excited that now the works are completed we can once again use the church space to pause and reflect with the children.

On the playground

In school, children are being reminded that they should not be playing with balls on the playground at the beginning or end of the school day.

At these times the playground is busy with people of all ages and so it is not safe to play.

Please help us keep everyone safe by ensuring your children do not have balls on the playground at drop off and pick up times.

Year 5 families

Today, we enjoyed watching the dress rehearsal of the Year 5 performance of 'Jungle Book' and we know parents are in for a treat next week.

Performances for Year 5 parents are on Tuesday afternoon and Thursday evening – further details were sent home with children today.

THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE

Cake Sale

Enjoy a chilled drink and a delicious, homemade cake.

LICENCED BAR

Come and join us
Friday 20th May
3.15 - 5pm

Inflatables

Rides

Try your luck on one of our many Yr 6 run stalls, have a bounce, your face painted or just relax and listen to the joyful tones of the choir!

A range of Yr 6 stalls

Please bring cash.

School anxiety

From time to time children can become worried about things in school.

If your child is anxious about school, or has any concerns, please do speak to your child's class teacher, or a member of the year group team. Most concerns can be dealt with quickly and easily.

Sometimes concerns may take longer to resolve. At The Blake we have an open door policy and where this is helpful, there are other members of our staff team who will be happy to listen and suggest additional support.

Mrs Rebecca Patchett, our Assistant Head for Inclusion, offers particular support to families of children with additional needs.

Mrs Judith Ledden, our Home School Key Worker, offers particular support to whole families and can be contacted for further information on family life and parenting.

Mr Edwards-Grundy, headteacher, is available to listen to any wider concerns or talk through particularly complex issues.

The Educational Psychology Service has produced some information that may be of use to parents who feel their children are becoming especially anxious about school. You can find this information attached to this email.

Chat Health

Parentline is an online text messaging service for parents and carers of primary aged children. If you have any health concerns, you can send a text message any time of day or night and receive a response the following day.

Just message 07312 263227

Covid-19 vaccinations

We know that many of you have already taken up the option of having your children vaccinated against Covid-19.

There are still slots available for your child to receive the jab, to book an appointment, [click here](#).

Annual survey

If you haven't yet done so, please take five minutes to complete our short online survey by [clicking here](#).

We will publish the survey results after half term.

If you are interested in supporting the school, please ask at the office about being a parent governor – elections soon!



INFLATABLE FOOTBALL FUN
MAY & JUNE HOLIDAYS
PROGRAMME! AGES 4-12

Ducklington Sports Club, Aston Road,
Ducklington, OX29 7US

Slimbridge Playing Fields, St John's Road, GL2 7DB

Dates: Tues 31st May - Thurs 2nd June 2022

Time: 9.30am to 2.30pm
(drop off as early as 9am, pick up to 3pm)

Cost: £15/day

To register your child, please go to
www.enrolmy.com/footy-kids

All of our programmes are based around having lots of fun. No lines, drills or running around cones, instead games where all kids have a ball and are learning basic skills of football whilst having big smiles on their faces.
Mini tournaments everyday. Coaches are qualified and DBS checked and are big kids at heart!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT US AT
www.footykids.org tomspeers@footykids.org [Footykids](#)
or call and speak to Tom on 07940 070 082

Safeguarding

As a school community we are committed to ensuring the protection of all.

If ever you have any safeguarding concerns about a member of our school community, please do speak to one of our safeguarding Leads, Mr Edwards-Grundy, Mrs Patchett or Mrs Ledden.

You can also speak to the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub on 0345 050 7666, or if you believe a child is being sexually exploited, the Kingfisher Team on 01865 309196.

If ever you think a child is in immediate danger, call 999.

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