

BISHOP LOVEDAY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER 1
Joining Together – Learning For Life

Dear Parents/Carers

6th September 2019

*Summer is over, autumn is here. Back to school, to begin a new year.
Pack up your bookbag, and off you go. Make new friends and say hello!*

Welcome back to a new school year. I hope you all enjoyed a lovely summer break. A very special welcome to our new Early Years' children, who have settled into school life at Bishop Loveday very quickly. We also welcome new pupils, who have joined us in Years, 1, 2, 3 and 4.

It is great to see the children return to school with such enthusiasm.



School Uniform

Please make sure your child wears the correct school uniform to school. Details are available on our website. School uniform can be purchased from Cross Embroidery. Small stud earrings can be worn. However, they should be taken out for all PE sessions. Please, no big hair clips. Black school shoes should be worn, no trainers!

There will be a Stackpole meeting today at 3.30pm, in Mrs Warner's classroom, to finalise the details for the Year 6 trip to Stackpole. A reminder that the coach will be leaving promptly at 7.45am. All children will need to be in school by 7.30am.

You will find an important letter coming home today. Please take the time to read this as it covers permission for your child to take part in school trips and other off-site activities. Please return the signed slip no later than Friday 13th September.



On Wednesday 11th, Year 4 will be visiting the Birmingham Think Tank to take part in their 'Changing Materials' session. The children will be leaving **promptly at 8.30am**. Please make sure your child is in full school uniform and has a packed lunch with plenty to drink. We will be returning before the end of the school day.

On Thursday 12th, class 4SV start their swimming lessons at Spiceball. Please remember your kit!

On Friday 13th, Spanish lessons for KS2 recommence. If you would like more information, please contact carrickcameronlanguages@gmail.com

If your child is in Year 6, you are now able to apply online for a secondary school place. The deadline for secondary school applications is **Thursday 31st October 2019**. If your application is late, it will not be processed until later in the year. Therefore, you are less likely to get a place at your preferred school. Follow the link below.

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/secondary-school-applications>

Open Events are taking place at various secondary schools – The Warriner on Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th October (please call 01295 720777 to book). Wykham Park on Wednesday 2nd October (again, please call 01295 251451). Blessed George Napier on Wednesday 18th September at 6.30pm.

We currently have a **part-time job vacancy**, supporting our awesome children at lunchtime. A new lunchtime supervisor position has become available, from 12.15pm – 1.15pm. Please email the school office office.3351@bishop-loveday.oxon.sch.uk for more information. Closing date is Friday 13th September.

Bodicote Scout Group will be holding a Fete/Car Boot sale on Sunday 15th September from 1 – 4pm. There will be games, stalls, raffles, a BBQ and tea and coffee etc.

After School Clubs

The brand new clubs list will be sent home today, by email. If your child would like to join a club, please ask them to visit our Sports Leaders in the Courtyard at lunchtime on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of next week, to pop their name down for their chosen club.

If interest for a particular club is high, numbers have to be restricted. Therefore, we will randomly pick names.

Unless the club has already started, all after school activity clubs will start the week commencing 23rd September.

We always suggest to parents that they do not use these activity clubs as forms of permanent childcare, as they are subject to change due to weather and term times.

Sports News

At the end of last term, we were delighted to hear that once again Bishop Loveday has been awarded the School Games Mark Gold Award! This is in recognition of the competitive sports, attendance at after school sports clubs and the leadership roles that the children take on within PE lessons, sports activities and events. During last academic year, we took over 660 pupils to sports events with 99% of KS1 and 97% of KS2 pupils attending these inter-school competitions. We look forward to another sports filled academic year!

FoBLS News

Our PTA, FOBLS (Friends of Bishop Loveday School) are a group of very dedicated parents who organise and run fantastic fund raising events for our children. In order to continue this work, they need more parents involved. They are also on the hunt for a new Chairperson. Their AGM takes place on Friday 13th September at 3.30pm in 2JO. All parents are very welcome. Please come along and share any ideas.

General reminders to parents

- School starts at 8.55am. Please make sure your child arrives in good time to start their day. For safety reasons, if your child is late, you MUST accompany them to the school office to sign them in.
- Please DO NOT park in the school car park. Please park safely and sensibly outside the school grounds, avoiding the zig-zag lines. Please pay attention to entrances to private properties. Our Community Police Officers are patrolling the area.
- Dogs are not allowed on the school site. Please be mindful if you walk your dog to school. Keep them on a short lead and tie them to outside railings (not on the path side)
- Please ensure your children does not play on the climbing equipment before or after school.
- No smoking of any kind on the school site please.
- Children MUST NOT ride their scooters or bike on the school grounds. Previously we have had injuries from children riding on the busy school playground.
- If your child has suffered vomiting or diarrhoea, they MUST remain off school for a full 48 hours after the last episode.

Thank you, all these measures are put in place to keep your children safe.

Enjoy the weekend.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Jane Ridley
Headteacher

Message from Mrs Grant:

"Thank you to everyone for the kind words, cards, gifts and donations on my retirement".

Mrs Grant does not escape school altogether, she has already volunteered for several trips and will be listening to children read each week. Thank you Mrs Grant!

House Points tally

W/e: 6 th Sept	Sun	Ice	Fire	Forests	Oceans	Waterfalls
Total:	61	40	41	36	54	54

Well done everyone!



Awards & Achievements



Congratulations to

Elsa B-S, Ollie B-S, Jessica B, Alistair D, Elliott H, Joshua K, Benjamin K, Grayson B and Joshua B for all taking part in the 'Space Chase' reading challenge over the summer holidays.

Charlotte R won four rugby medals and a rugby trophy, Luke A received a certificate for swimming, Ethan A achieved stage 3 in swimming and also his red and white belt in karate, Niamh H won two trophies at football summer camp, Ella-May H was awarded a football goalkeeping trophy, Alice T successfully completed level 1 in tap and ballet, Thomas K ran a 5k onboard ship, Imogen B was awarded her red badge in gymnastics and stage 1 in swimming and Jessica B kindly donated her hair to the Little Princess Trust.