

BISHOP LOVEDAY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER 9
Joining Together – Learning For Life

8th November 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to school for Term 2. I hope you all enjoyed a lovely half term break and are ready for a busy new term.

This week has already been full of fabulous learning. Year 1, had a 'Superhero' day on Monday. Year 5, visited the Planetarium on Tuesday. This fits in well with their current topic – Stargazers! There will be a presentation for Year 5 parents on Monday 16th December at 5pm in the school hall.

Our tours for new starters in September have been well attended. We have two further tours arranged. One for Monday 18th November and the other for Wednesday 20th November, both are at 1.30pm.

School photos and Cauliflower Cards have been sent home this week. Finally, class 4SJ started their swimming lessons yesterday.



We are raising money for Children in Need

Our School Council will, once again, be raising money for this hugely important charity.

On Friday 15th November we will be holding a non-uniform 'Dress up as a Teddy' day. This can be anything from a decorated bandage to full on 'Teddy Bear' outfits.

This year, we are trialing a new way to donate through Parent Pay. Please follow the link:

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Uniform/Default.aspx?shopid=1004>

Please do let us have your feedback, if this works out easier for you. The donation goes straight to the BBC Children in Need bank account. So your donation will safely reach the charity. Thank you.



Poppies and other remembrance items have been on sale this week.

Thank you for all your donations to this very worthy charity.



Huge thanks to our staff for making cakes and treats for our MacMillan Coffee Morning. We raised a total of £137 for the charity.



Thank you to Mrs Lever for organising this.

What's on in school next week

On Monday 11th, The Bodicote British Legion will be holding their armistice service at St John the Baptist Church. A group of our older year 5 pupils will also be attending. The service will take place at 10.45am. We will also be holding a one minute commemorative silence at 11am in school.

Parent's evenings are taking place next Monday 11th and Wednesday 13th. If you have not already made an appointment to see your child's class teacher, please do this as soon as possible. Year 6 children are encouraged to also attend their parent's appointments. Please note that there will be NO after school table tennis on Wednesday 13th.

Also on Monday, Year 2 will be holding their 'Messy Monday' day. The children spend a super day covering themselves in baked beans, cooked pasta and more! Please can the children wear old clothes for the day.

On Wednesday, our Librarians will be visiting Waterstones to find out the secrets of a working bookshop.

Class 4SJ will continue with their swimming lessons on Thursday. Please remember your kit.

On Friday, class 6CS will be visiting the Horton Hospital to take part in IMPS (Injury Minimisation Programme for Schools). This is a charity-based workshop held at the hospital, teaching children basic First Aid. We would suggest all year 6 children wear trousers, as they will be putting each other in the recovery position.

Also on Friday, Years 3 and 4 will be visiting Reverend Sarah at Church for afternoon worship.



Parental Questionnaire

It's that time of year once again. We are asking parents to complete our annual questionnaire. Your feedback is important to us and helps us to further improve your child's school. If you would like a paper copy of the questionnaire, please pick one up from reception. Alternatively you can complete the word document and send it to mham2957@bishop-loveday.oxon.sch.uk or print off the PDF and drop in to reception.

Please find a link to an online book magazine called 'Books for Keeps'. It was launched back in 1980 and has since been reviewing hundreds of new children's books each year, publishing articles on every aspect of writing for children. Have a look at – www.booksforkeeps.co.uk

Update – Year 4 Residential

As we have now finalised our Year 4 overnight residential a letter plus Student Information Forms are being sent home today. The children will be visiting Green Park in Aston Clinton, part of the Adventure Learning Charity. Please do have a look at their website.

Children born between 1st September 2015 and 31 August 2016 are ready to start school in September 2020.

We are offering open events on the dates below. This is an excellent opportunity to come and have a look around Bishop Loveday and find out what we can offer your child.



Monday 18th November

Wednesday 20th November

All sessions will run from 1.30pm, lasting approximately an hour.

Some important dates to remember have been listed below:

1st November 2019 -	Opening date for online applications
15th January 2020 -	Closing date for on-time applications
30th January 2020 -	Final date for confirmation of change of address (this means if you have based your application on a new address, this must be confirmed on or before this date). Final date for late application due to extenuating circumstances to be considered.
31st January 2020 -	Oxfordshire SEN team to supply details of children with EHCP's.
24th March 2020 -	Process of allocation of spaces begins.
16th April 2020 -	National Offer Day
5th May 2020 -	Parents response deadline

Awards and Achievements

Our Superhero's this week are:



Freddie D, Elouise S, Harrison S, Louie K, Huey W, Izzy W, Skye L, Jesse B, Lewis S and Elana H.

You may be aware that each child has a 'Superhero Passport'. There are three children who have completed their 'Passports' in Miss Wyatt's class. They are Daisy E, Iden T-O and Oki T-O.

Swimming

Jaden A-G for completing stage 1.

Jack A, Joseph L-M, Oliver Blakett, Zara C, Lily N, Thomas T, Otis W, Harriet S, Rosie B, Loki F, Charlotte R, Daniel L-M, Chishimba N and Joshua B all achieved the confidence stage and passed 5 metres.

Daniel L-M, Chishimba N, Charlotte R and Joshua B all passed 10 metres as well.



Poppy M won a medal for competing in a Stagecoach competition, Issy W won a football medal and Elliott H has received a Blue Peter badge.

Well done everyone!



A reminder from our FoBLS team to return your slips to confirm you have signed up for 'Easyfundraising'. It's so easy, and every time you shop, you help raise money for the school. The most class sign ups, will receive a prize!!

The FoBLS Winter Fayre takes place on Sunday 8th December in the school hall. The team have worked really hard and arranged some outstanding prizes. Amongst them are VIP Super Bikes tickets for two at Silverstone, a Sparkling Afternoon Tea for two. Also included are Beauty and Restaurant vouchers and even more goodies. Tickets will be on sale from Monday 11th November.

Christmas Advent Candle lunch club is returning. All the children can have the opportunity of making an advent candle that they can light each day, through December. If you would like your child to make a candle, please make payment through Parent Pay. Details of when each year group will be making their candle, has been emailed out to all parents. A copy is also on our notice board in reception.

Please have a very safe and enjoyable weekend.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Jane Ridley
Headteacher

Aldi Stickers

Keep collecting your Aldi 'Kit for Schools' stickers.

The stickers will be added to our 'Poster'. We've almost completed our second poster!

Completed posters gives us a chance of winning sports kit and a £20,000 cash prize!

House Points tally

w/e: 8th Nov	Sun	Ice	Fire	Forests	Oceans	Waterfalls
Term Total:	68	42	33	63	65	41

Well done everyone!



Schedule of Christmas dates

Mon 25th – Fri 29th November	Advent Candle week
Saturday 30th November	FoBLS Christmas Wreath Workshop 10.30am, 1pm & 2.30pm (Bodicote Church House)
Friday 6th December	Decorating afternoon (parents welcome, but please let the know teacher first)
Sunday 8th December	FoBLS Winter Fayre 12pm – 2pm (School Hall)
Tuesday 10th December	Year 3/4 Christmas Performance 2pm Parents of children in classes 3LM and 4SV invited
Wednesday 11th December	Year 3/4 Christmas Performance 2pm Parents of children in classes 3JM and 4SJ invited Early Years trip to Lemington Spa Panto Xmas school dinner served – please book in good time
Thursday 12th December	Year 1/2 Christmas Performance 2pm Parents of children in classes 1SW and 2JO invited
Friday 13th December	Year 1/2 Christmas Performance 2pm Parents of children in classes 1KW and 2SC invited Non-uniform day in exchange for 'Secret Santa'
Monday 16th December	FoBLS Grotto (please make your payment through Parent Pay) Year 5 Stargazers performance 5pm (School Hall)
Tuesday 17th December	Early Years Christmas Performance 2.15pm (School Hall)

Please make a note of these dates. All performances will start promptly. The children spend lots of time rehearsing their parts, please do not be late! All entrances through the Community Door please.

Thank you.