

### BISHOP LOVEDAY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 8

Joining Together – Learning For Life

Friday 6th November 2020

# For up-to-date advice on Coronavirus, please visit: https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus

# If you or your child develops any symptoms, you must get tested. Please call 119 or visit the website

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to school for Term 2. I hope everyone had a safe and happy half term. A special welcome to our two new students, Jemima and Jonah who have joined us in Early Years and in Year 1, and also two new Oxford Brookes University students, Olivia and Lauryn working with us in Year 6 until Christmas.

A reminder that we are now in a second national lockdown. However, we are really pleased to be able to keep the school open for the children. Please remember the rules surrounding pick up. Please read the guidance sent out yesterday.

A reminder for parents who drop off at Breakfast Club, please DO NOT use the staff car park to drop your children off. There was a very near miss this morning between two cars. At this particular time of day, the car park is very busy with staff arriving for work.

Next week on Tuesday and Wednesday, our Early Years parents have been invited into school for 'Face to Face' parent/teacher meetings. Please observe the measures we have put in place to keep everyone Covid safe. Please also try to keep to the 10 minutes allocated to you, as cleaning needs to take place between every appointment. Thank you.

On Tuesday 10th November, Year 3 will be transported back to the Ancient Greek period. As part of their topic this term, Portals to the Past will be visiting the school with their Greek workshop. The children will take part in lots of different activities during the day, which will end with a mini Olympics! The children can come dressed up in Greek costumes for the day (please make sure they have an extra layer underneath).



#### Friday 13th November is Children in Need day.

Our School Council made the decision to have a 'Onesie' day on Friday 13th November. Children can come to school dressed in their onesie or pyjamas in return for a £1 donation. Each class will have a pot to put your £1 in. Thank you.

A future date for your diary – the week commencing 16th November is Anti-Bullying week. On the Monday, we will be wearing odd socks to celebrate that we are all unique.

The Department for Education has made changes to the curriculum, which covers 'RSE' (Relationship and Sex Education). A letter has been emailed to every parent explaining the changes. Please read this and the draft policy, available on our website, carefully before taking part in the survey.

#### Information for parent whose children will be starting school in September 2021

Parents of children starting school in September 2021 will be able to apply for their chosen school from Tuesday 3rd November. All applications are made online at:

https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/apply-school-place/infant-and-primary-school

This year, we are offering an Open Day, to be held on Saturday 28th November. Please telephone the school to book a place. We will also have a virtual tour available to view on our website. Please note that the deadline for on-time applications for starting school, is **Friday 15th January 2021**. Any application made after this date, will be considered late and will not be dealt with until later in the year. You are less likely to secure a place at your chosen school if your application is late.

You will have already seen a leaflet, sent earlier this week by email, regarding a laptop offer, which is open to all Warriner MAT students. The offer is only open until Tuesday 10th November. Payments can be spread over a number of months and the laptop is yours, once payments have been completed. If your child receives the Pupil Premium grant, we may be able to assist with the cost. If you have any queries, please email mham2957@bishop-loveday.oxon.sch.uk

#### **Sports news**

Last term, pupils took part in a Quadkids Athletic competition run by NOSSP. The children really enjoyed the time spent outside.

We will let you know of the results when they arrive. In the meantime, we have used the individual results from each activity to run our own 'Inter-House' competition.

	Overall Result	t – Girls		Overall Resu	lt - Boys
Waterfalls	1st	20 Points	Sun	1st	20 Points
Forests	2nd	15 Points	Fire	2nd	15 Points
Ice	3rd	10 Points	Oceans	3rd	10 Points
Oceans	3rd	10 Points	Ice	4th	5 Points
Sun	5th	1 Point	Waterfalls	5th	1 Point
Fire	6th	0 Points	Forests	6th	0 points

Luckily, during the second national lockdown, we are able to get outside for exercise. If you are out and about, please remember to download and join the 'Street Tag' app. Our QR code is on our website.

The link below also has some great ideas for children and adults to burn off some energy too! <a href="https://www.yorkshiresport.org/get-active/thisispe/">https://www.yorkshiresport.org/get-active/thisispe/</a>

Finally, thank you to everyone who donated money to our Sport Relief day, back in March! We raised a total of £132.43 for The Let's Play Project.

### **Congratulations**



#### Superheroes:

Eve H, Talia G, Shreya S, Siena L, Harper O'N, Jonah W, Nikoleta S, Annabel W, Essa U, Rafaela S, Ella H, Tia L, Bobby H, Eli K-J, Isla H, Harriet L, Harry P, Toby K, Oliver T, Ellie H, Luke A and Mia C.



#### Other Awards

Sebastian M for achieving his blue belt in karate, Bella R for a silver award in gymnastics, Parker H for a purple award in gymnastics, Aiden B was chosen to play football for the Swindon Junior Premier league and Ella M raised over "250 for Helen Douglas House.

#### **House Points tally**

W/E: _06.11.2020	Sun	Ice	Fire	Forests	Oceans	Waterfalls
Term Total:	93	111	107	99	103	92

A quick reminder if you are having fireworks at home this year, please be safe and visit <a href="https://www.gov.uk/fireworks-the-law">https://www.gov.uk/fireworks-the-law</a> for advice and guidance.

Enjoy the weekend.

Yours sincerely

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