



BISHOP LOVEDAY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER T2-6 22-23

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For up-to-date advice on Coronavirus, please visit:

[Health protection in education and childcare settings - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/health-protection-in-education-and-childcare-settings)

The guidance for schools is that if your child tests positive for COVID they are to stay away from the school for 3 days. They can return after 3 days if they are well enough and they do not have a temperature.

Friday 9th December 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow! What a lovely week with the first of our Nativity plays! Year 1 and 2 did amazingly, we were all so proud of them! A huge thank you to all of the staff, who have worked tirelessly to put it all together. We look forward to Early Years and year 3/4 next week!

Next Thursday 15th December, we have our first Carols by Candlelight. Everybody is invited and it is a chance to drink mulled wine while singing our favourite Christmas Carols. The choir will be supporting, and money raised will go towards musical instruments for the school. This service is at the church and will start at 5:30pm.

On Monday 19th December, we have our Santa Fun Run - see below for more information.

Please may we remind you of our absence and attendance procedures below:

Absence Procedures:

If your child is absent you must contact us as soon as possible, either by phone, email or the website, on the first day of absence and any subsequent days and ensure you explain the reason for absence; do not just say that your child is unwell.

Medical/dental appointments should be made outside of school hours, unless emergencies or other unavoidable cause.

Lateness:

Poor punctuality is not acceptable. If your child misses the start of the day they can miss work and do not spend time with their class teacher getting vital information and news for the day. Late arriving pupils also disrupt lessons, it can be embarrassing for the child and can also encourage absence.

The school day starts at 8:55a.m. and we expect your child to be in class at that time. Registers are marked by 9:00a.m. and your child will receive a late mark if they are not in by that time.

At 9:10 a.m. the registers will be closed.

Kind regards,

Mrs Dee Loader

Head of School

Bishop-Loveday CE Primary School

THIS WEEK...

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Our exciting week of learning:

Early Years have been completing lots of Christmas craft activities and practicing our Christmas play and songs. On Monday we walked to Kingsfield Nursery to watch their Nativity play. We all enjoyed it very much.

Year 1 children have loved performing to their parents/carers this week and have been learning about 2D and 3D shapes in maths.

Year 2 have just absolutely loved performing their Christmas play- The Fireside Nativity! We hope you all enjoyed watching it as much as we have enjoyed putting it together for you.

Year 3 have been excellent in our Maths lessons where we have been using our knowledge of 2s, 4s and 8s times tables. Lots of skip counting and chanting of our times tables going on. The children are getting confident with their new times tables learning which is great to see. The children have also had some great discussions while we reflected on our big question for this term in our RE lesson.

Year 4 have been working so very hard in their Christmas Play rehearsals and it's coming together fantastically! They have also been continuing their persuasive writing in Literacy and are excited to write some amazing leaflets about experiencing the northern lights.

Year 5 been learning about Alexander the Great and his importance in history. In art we have been learning about the graphic designer/illustrator Mike Karolos.

Year 6 have enjoyed workshops this week from the Cherwell Theatre Company on protective behaviours and saying no, linking to PSHE and the work of SCIB (Safeguarding Children in Banbury).

Important Dates:

DECEMBER 2022	
Monday 12 th December	(All) Mop Up session of Christmas Jumper Day Photos: If your child was absent on Friday 2 nd December – please send their Christmas jumper in with them and the photographer will take their photo.
Wednesday 14 th December	(All) Christmas Jumper Day (& gift for Secret Santa) to wear over uniform in exchange for a small unwrapped gift.
Wednesday 14 th December	(EYs) 'The Nativity' Christmas Performance @ 2.15pm in School Hall performing to all parents/carers of Early Years .
Thursday 15 th December	(Year3/4) Christmas Performance at 2:15pm in School Hall performing to parents/carers of 3LH & 4CS
Friday 16 th December	(Year3/4) Christmas Performance at 2:15pm in School Hall performing to parents/carers of 3DC & 4RS
Monday 19 th December	(ALL) Secret Santa – visit Santa's Grotto for gift - £2 payable on Parent Pay
Monday 19 th December	(All) Santa Fun Run in aid of Katherine House Hospice If you are in a position to make a donation we would be grateful:

	Lynne Upton is fundraising for Katharine House Hospice - Banbury (justgiving.com)
Tuesday 20 th December	END OF TERM 2 - 3.15pm (Homework Club and WAC will continue as normal)
Wednesday 21 st December – Tuesday 3 rd January	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
JANUARY 2023	
Wednesday 4 th January	TERM 3 BEGINS - 8.55AM

Christmas Plays:

Early Years: **Wednesday 14th December** @ 2.15pm, performing to all **EY's** parents/carers

Years 3 & 4: **Thursday 15th December** @ 2.15pm, performing to parents/carers of **3LH & 4CS**
Friday 16th December @ 2.15pm, performing to parents/carers of **3DC & 4RS**

Attendance is limited to 2 adults per child due to space availability. If you would like to swap days, please let your class teacher know.

Santa Fun Run in aid of Katharine House Hospice:

Monday 19th December

Please can children come to school in their uniform and bring PE kit in for the Fun Run.

If you are in a position to make a donation to your school's Santa Run fundraising page:

[Lynne Upton is fundraising for Katharine House Hospice - Banbury \(justgiving.com\)](#)

Thank you for your support.

From BLS and the Katharine House Hospice Team

Sports:

All clubs have now finished this Friday 9th December.

School run after school clubs with restart in mid-January, please look out for new sign-up booking form.

Externally run After school clubs – January: We are delighted to be able to offer external Clubs which are bookable and payable directly with the club organiser – please see details below:

Football Club (Years 5 & 6 boys) - Mondays 3:15-4:15pm. This will be led by Robert Huff who is now working for Football Icon Academy. He has worked at BLS previously in his capacity as OUFC Premier League Primary Stars coach. Please see below for more information and how to book your child a place or email: schools@footballicon.com
Or call Rob on 07768969190.

Dance (Years 1-6) – Mondays 3.15-4.15pm If you are interested, please email: Rachael@encore-dance.co.uk

Theatre (Year 3-6) – Mondays 3.15-4.15. Please contact Marianne Gowers:
www.francishammondtheatreschools.co.uk/request-a-place or 07885466465
Info@francishammondtheatreschools.co.uk

Multi Skills (Years 1-3) from January will only be on Thursdays 3.15-4.15pm with Banbury United Coach. If you are interested, please book via link below:
Thursday: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/224005034087>

Karate (Years 1-6) – Fridays 3.15-4.15pm will restart next Friday 16th September. If you are interested, please contact Gareth on: reessandra@sky.com or www.banburykarate.co.uk

Swimming Lessons Congratulations to the following for achieving your School Swimming Distance Awards this week...



Improvers Stage: Oki T-O

Confidence Stage: Betty D

25m: Sam C

10m: River P, Milo C, Charlie W, Lucas B, Louie K, Isla H, Jensen S, Imogen M, Imogen B, Max H

FoBLS News:



Mop Up session of Christmas Jumper Day Photos: if your child was absent on Friday 2nd December, our photographer will be in on Monday 12th December to take Christmas Jumper Photos.

Please remember to send their jumper in with them on Monday 12th December.

All Years Nativity Photos will be sold at performances only (please see dates for each year group earlier in newsletter). Please remember £2 for 1 or £3 for 2 copies, cash on day / 2 copies per child available.

Wednesday 14th December: Christmas Jumper Day No.2 (& gift for Secret Santa) – children to come to school wearing Christmas Jumpers over uniform in exchange for a small unwrapped gift. Please hand gifts into your class teacher.

Monday 19th December: Secret Santa's Grotto – children will visit the Grotto to choose one gift each for that special person at home in exchange for £2 payable on Parent Pay prior to the day.

FoBLS Christmas Winter Fair: A massive THANK YOU to everyone for making our Christmas Winter Fair 2022 such a success.

It would not have been possible without our amazing volunteers, supporters, team and of course, Santa.



FoBLS Important Dates:

Match funding- does your work offer match funding? Please contact FoBLS at fobls@outlook.com . Different companies have different requirements, so please ask your work about their policies towards match funding. Thank you!

Wednesday 14 th December	(All) Christmas Jumper Day (& gift for Secret Santa) to wear over uniform in exchange for a small unwrapped gift. Gifts can be purchased at Secret Santa's Grotto for £2 on Parent Pay
Wednesday 14 th December	(EY's) Nativity Photos - £2 cash on day / 2 copies per child available
Monday 19 th December	(ALL) Secret Santa – visit Santa's Grotto for gift - £2 payable on Parent Pay
Wednesday 18th January	(All) FoBLS Meeting at The Plough, Bodicote at 7.30pm
Thursday 2nd March	(All) FoBLS Meeting at The Plough, Bodicote at 7.30pm
Friday 28th April	(All) FoBLS Meeting at The Plough, Bodicote at 7.30pm
Wednesday 14th June	(All) FoBLS Meeting at The Plough, Bodicote at 7.30pm

Please contact FoBLS at fobls@outlook.com if you can help.

House Points:

This weeks' winners are.... **WATERFALL**

FOREST 'Thunberg'	WATERFALL 'Rashford'	SUN 'Mercury'	ICE 'Ayling-Ellis'	OCEANS 'Daley'	FIRE 'Malala'
					
87	156	144	130	93	116

Brilliant Learning Behaviour Award Winners...

BE KIND, BE HONEST AND HAVE COURAGE TO LIVE 'LIFE IN ALL ITS FULLNESS' (JOHN 10:10)

Brilliant Learning Star of the week

EY RB	Judith	EY FS	Elsie May
1SW	Zain	1TV	Jack
2CP	Lillia	2SC	Talia
3DC	Oscar	3LH	James
4CS	Freddie	4RS	Amelia
5JM	Oliver	5SJ	Sam
6PA	Jess	6WW	Isabelle

Brilliant Learning Behaviour:

This week's BRONZE AWARDS go to



Awards:

Polly S (EYs) has received a certificate for travelling 10m with aids and a certificate for completing a term at Kick n Splash for Swim England.

Lucas H (1SW) has received a certificate for passing Stage 1 and also a certificate for travelling 20m aided at Kick n Splash for Swim England.

Annie C (1SW) has received a certificate for passing Stage 1 at Kick n Splash for Swim England.

Oscar U (1SW) has received a certificate for passing Stage 1 and also a certificate for travelling 10m aided on his front at Kick n Splash for Swim England.

Aurora D (2CP) has received a certificate for completing a term at Kick n Splash for Swim England.

Abigail C (2SC) has received a certificate and 2 awards for demonstrating proficiency in Tap and Ballet Preparatory Grade.

Lucia F (2CP) has received a medal for completing the 5K Santa Fun Run for Katherine House Hospice.

Milo H (2SC) has received a medal for Man of the Match at Easington Sports Football Club.

Luca H (2CP) has received a certificate for passing Stage 4 at Kick n Splash for Swim England.

Summer J (2SC) has received a certificate for completing a term at Kick n Splash for Swim England.

Eadie C (3LH) has received her Yellow Belt in Karate.

William B (3DC) has achieved his GREEN belt in Karate and his 10m front crawl at kick and splash.

Harriet R (4SJ) has received a medal for 2nd place for best Cheerleader at Vibes Cheerleading squad on Saturday 3rd December.

Evie B (5SJ) Well done for dancing beautifully in Bodicote Players production of 'Sleeping Beauty' this week.

Dolcie L (5JM) has received a certificate for passing Stage 4 at Kick n Splash for Swim England.

Lucas B (4RS) has received a certificate for passing Stage 5 at Kick n Splash for Swim England.

Sebastian M (3DC) has passed another Tae Kwon Do grading last night with Credit.



HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU ALL, YOU ARE AMAZING!!

Other News:

Christmas Eve Crib Service Children's Choir

We warmly welcome you to join a children's choir for our Crib Service at 4pm on Christmas Eve.

The rehearsals, all in the church, are as follows:

Friday 9 December 6 – 7pm

Friday 16 December 6 – 7pm, followed by a Christmas party, finishing at 8pm

Friday 23 December 4 – 5pm

Saturday 24 December 2.30pm rehearsal

4pm service, finished by 5pm

Please contact Frances McMillan at windows@banburystmary.org.uk if you are interested, or just come along to the first rehearsal and we will have sign up forms available. There is no charge for taking part and we would love to see you all back in St Mary's to celebrate Christmas!