



BISHOP LOVEDAY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL NEWSLETTER T2-7 22-23

Be kind, be honest and have courage to live 'life in all its fullness' (John 10:10)

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)

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 16th December 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a lovely Christmassy week! It started with Early Years having their Nativity and ended with year 3/4's final performance. The plays have been amazing, a huge thank you to all staff who have worked so hard to pull them all together.

We also had the first Carols by Candlelight service in the church last night. The choir did amazingly and we raised £120, which will go towards musical instruments for the children to use. A huge thank you to Miss Hamer and Miss Stott, who have given up their Thursday afternoons to rehearse with the children.

Next week, if the weather improves, we will be completing our Santa Fun Run to raise money for Katherine House. We also have our Christmas services in the church and the Santa Grotto. We finish for the Christmas holidays on Tuesday 20th December.

I have completed so many tours, this term, and prospective parents have been so complementary about the behaviour and kindness of your children as we have walked around the school. The children really have been amazing!

The Christmas term is always so busy, but with the added illnesses, it has been extremely tough for staff. I wanted to take this moment to say a huge thank you to all of the staff, who really do go above and beyond.

Due to the Christmas performances, the **awards assembly will be on Tuesday** next week and an awards newsletter will be sent out on that day too.

Hope you have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs Dee Loader
Head of School

Bishop-Loveday CE Primary School

THIS WEEK...

Our weeks of learning

Important Dates

Santa Fun Run

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Our exciting week of learning:

Early Years have absolutely loved performing the Christmas play to their parents. We have also had lots of fun making and writing our Christmas cards, as well as taking part in lots of different Christmas activities.

Year 1 have made stain glass windows and been learning about Inuit communities. We have also been learning about explorers of the past and present.

Year 2 have been writing a short story about a special dragon called Edgar. Edgar was rather sad that he kept getting excited and burning everything down! Luckily there was a happy ending and he was able to set fire to the Christmas pudding and everyone rejoiced! We were so impressed with the fantastic narrative writing that the children produced. Great work Year Two!

Year 3 it was Show Time! The children loved performing their show, Don't be Afraid, to parents and careers. They all performed their hearts out and we are so very proud of them all.

Year 4 have enjoyed sharing their Don't be Afraid performance to all the parents and carers this week. They all did so incredible well, they should be proud of themselves.

Year 5 have explored levers, pulleys and gears in science. In geography, the children have looked at tourism in Greece and watched videos as to why people might visit/what Greece has to offer. The children have also enjoyed listening to some Christmas songs and practising hymns for our church visit on Monday.

Year 6 have been learning to sing Silent Night in German and have painted their D.T. poppies.

Important Dates:

DECEMBER 2022	
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 4th January	TERM 3 BEGINS - 8.55AM
Thursday 12th January – 2nd March inclusive	(5JM) Swimming Lessons for 7 weeks
Saturday 14th January	Primary school place 2022 - deadline for application
Friday 27th January	(Year 6) Cumulus Residential Balance Due – if you have not done so already please pay the remainder of the balance.
TBC	(Year 2) Living Rainforest in Newbury visit

TBC	5 year olds+ Dental Survey by Community Dental Services
FEBRUARY 2023	
Friday 10th February	END OF TERM - 3.15pm (Homework Club and WAC will continue as normal)
Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February	HALF TERM
Monday 20th February	TERM 4 BEGINS – 8.55AM
TBC	(All) Parents Evening *Please note no clubs taking place*
MARCH 2023	
Thursday 9th March – 4th May inclusive	(5SJ) Swimming Lessons for 7 weeks
TBC	(EY's / Year 6) National Childhood Measurement Programme by OUH.NHS
TBC	(All) Red Nose Day – fun activities during school
TBC	Warriner Lambing Afternoon
TBC	(Year 5) Black Country Museum trip
Friday 31st March	END OF TERM - 3.15pm (Homework Club and WAC will continue as normal)

Santa Fun Run in aid of Katharine House Hospice:

Reminder that on Monday 19th December is the Santa Fun Run in Aid of Katharine House Hospice.

Please can all pupils wear trainers to school with their school uniform.

Any donations to this worthwhile local charity can be made through
[Lynne Upton is fundraising for Katharine House Hospice - Banbury \(justgiving.com\)](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/lynnedupton)

Thank you for your support.

From BLS and the Katharine House Hospice Team

Sports:

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:

KS2 Girls Football Club – Monday lunchtimes: We are delighted to be able to offer this delivered by Rob Huff from Football Icon Academy and run from 12:40pm-1:10pm from 16th January. Girls will be able to have lunch at 12:15 and

can come to school in their PE kits. These sessions will replace the after school club that ran on Tuesdays. Please see the attached flyer and If you need anything please email: schools@footballicon.com Or call Rob on 07768969190

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...



Beginners Stage: Daisy E, Iden T-O
5m: Annabelle B, Adam H

FoBLS News:

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.

Christmas Jumper Photos: Thank you to everyone who purchased festive Christmas jumper and nativity 📷 photographs 📷 🎄 🧑‍🎅 🌟 You helped raise over £1,100 which is an absolutely tree-mendous amount. A huge THANK YOU to our professional lead and team member Krisztina Mack for running such a wonderful photo fundraiser.

Bags for Schools: As you may be aware, we no longer have a clothes recycling bank in the playground. We have therefore arranged for a 'bags for school' scheme to come and pick up bags of clothes from school at the end of January. We'll be sending empty bags back home in the new year, please fill them with good quality outgrown clothes and bring them back at the end of January. Thank you!

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!

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.

Other News:



Football Icon Academy



Football Icon Academy is delighted to announce that we will be running a girl's lunchtime football club at Bishop Loveday C of E primary school

Adam Cash and the team will be running the club on Monday lunchtimes after school from Monday 16th January for 10 sessions!

DATES AND TIMES
Mondays
12:40pm-1:10pm
KS2 Girls

£3 per session £30 total
HOW TO BOOK?

To book your spot you will need to email schools@footballicon.com with the following information.

School name
Chosen day
Lunch club or after school club
Parent name
Child name
Child age
Two Contact Numbers
Child Allergies or anything we should know

We will then book your spot in and send a payment link which once filled out will confirm your spot.

Please note we have a limited number of spaces which will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. Anyone wishing to book their child on after the initial spaces have been filled, will be placed onto a waiting list.

If you need anything please email us
schools@footballicon.com
Or call Rob on 07768963190



National Sleep Helpline – please also see attached poster.



the national sleep helpline

Does your child suffer with sleep issues?

Do you struggle with your child's bedtime?

Will your child not sleep in their own bed?

WE CAN HELP

03303 530 541
Sunday - Tuesday & Thursday 7pm - 9pm
Wednesday 9am - 11am



the national sleep helpline

50%

Around 50% of children will have a sleep issue at some point*

WHAT IS THE NATIONAL SLEEP HELPLINE?
In partnership with Furniture Village, The Sleep Charity has launched a brand new National Sleep Helpline to ensure that everyone has access to high quality, evidence-based advice.

HOW CAN THE NATIONAL SLEEP HELPLINE HELP YOU?

- Run by a team of specialist trained sleep advisors
- Offer you some practical strategies and recommend services that could help
- Ensuring you understand how sleep plays an important part in your child's mental health and wellbeing
- Listen without judgement and help you decide what next steps are right for you
- Empower you with sleep knowledge so you can understand why your child might not be sleeping well and how that can change

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POWERED BY the sleep charity

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*Survey of 2,000 adults by OnePoll, Aug 2021

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!