

BISHOP LOVEDAY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL NEWSLETTER T6-7 22-23

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

Friday 08/09/2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been so lovely to see all of our children return after the summer break and start to meet all of our new families. A huge welcome to our Early Years children and other new starters, it's been wonderful to see them settle into school life so well already. The children have had a brilliant start to the new term, and it's been great to finish the week, in years 1 - 6, with our annual vision day where the children have been participating and working with children within their 'houses'.

With the start of the new term and new school year, I would like to share some roles of staff with you, who work alongside me to support pupils, staff and parents, helping to make BLS the best it can be.

THIS WEEK...

Important Dates
Our Week of Learning
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Senior Leadership Team:

Mrs Warner

Mrs Warner is our Deputy Headteacher. She teaches in Year 6 and is the Upper Key Stage Two Leader. She is also our English leader.

Mrs Farrell

Mrs Farrell is our Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCo) and responsible for inclusion within the school.

Miss Stafford

Miss Stafford is Lower Key Stage Two Leader and teaches in Year 4. She is also our Premium Leader.

Mrs Ashe

Mrs Ashe is our Maths leader and she teaches in Year 6.

Miss Thom

Miss Thom is our Key Stage One Leader. She is also our phonics and early reading leader. She teaches in Year 1.

Mrs Ferguson

Mrs Ferguson teaches in early years and is our early years leader.

Members of the SLT will be visible around school before, throughout and at the end of the day. Please do speak with them if they can support your child in any way.

Inclusion Leadership Team:

The inclusion leadership team supports the welfare of our pupils and families. If you have any initial concerns regarding your child's wellbeing, please do contact your child's class teacher first. They will then liaise with the inclusion team regarding the best support and actions.

Mrs Gregory is our welfare officer and part of our inclusion team, alongside myself, Mrs Warner, Mrs Farrell and Miss Stafford.

Our Office Team:

When you come to reception or phone the school, you will be supported by Mrs Roberts or Mrs Burch-Harwood.

Mrs Burch-Harwood is our finance, HR and administration officer.

Mrs Roberts is our administration officer.

There has been a change to the way we communicate to and from the office this year, with parents and carers being able to contact the school using one of two email addresses.

To help with this change, please see the flow chart below:

Changes to end of day collection or personal information (home address and telephone number)

Queries about lunches or after school clubs

Reporting your child's absence (please do continue to use the website as your first option)

Email:

admin.3351@bishop-loveday.oxon.sch.uk

Finance queries including childcare vouchers, Parent Pay and trip payments

General enquiries

Email:

office.3351@bishop-loveday.oxon.sch.uk

If you have any problems, please do not hesitate to phone the school.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the lovely weather.

Mrs Dee Loader Head of School Bishop-Loveday CE Primary School

Our First week of learning:

Early Years have welcomed our new children. We have read a Starting School story, explored the indoor environment and enjoyed the outside area. The children have also enjoyed getting to know each other and making new friends.

Year 1 have been practising our skills and have played games to explore representing numbers using a ten frame.

We have been out exploring in the school grounds looking for different shaped leaves to identify the trees that are growing there... we found all sorts! Maybe you can look out for Holly, Oak, Sycamore and Horse Chestnut near where you live?

Year 2 have settled back into school life brilliantly this week. In literacy, we were introduced to a mysterious dragon-like creature. We looked closely at all his different features and began thinking of different adjectives to describe the dragon. In maths, we practised skip counting in filled in number tracks. We loved getting the ipads out during our computing lesson and exploring Purple Mash. We are so impressed at how well the children have settled back into the routines of the classroom. A great start to the year!

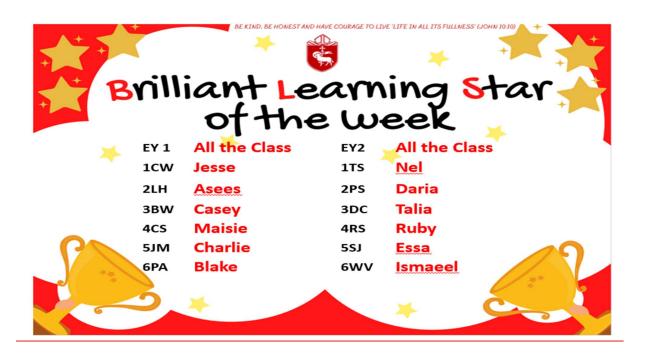
Year 3 children have settled in to their new classes really well. They have enjoyed listening to their new class text 'The Wild Way Home' and have explored adverbs and noun phrases in their writing. We have all enjoyed cooling down with some quiet reflection in class worship.

Year 4 have enjoyed learning about the features of the UK landscape and writing their own prayers or reflections for our class worship.

Year 5 have had an excellent week in their new classrooms. They have started exploring Ancient Greek Gods and learning where Greece is in our world. Despite it being a super hot day on Thursday, they showed great courage and perseverance in cross country. It has been lovely having them return to school and we look forward to the term ahead!

Year 6 have made a fantastic start to the year and we have been really impressed with their enthusiasm to learning and kindness to each other. They have started to learn about Antarctica and thinking about key items that would be needed for an expedition to this place.

Brilliant Learning Star of the Week:



Awards:

Marnie Davis 3DC - Completed a Stage 5 term at Kick n Splash Swim School.

Eden Davis 1TS - Passed Stage 2 at Kick n Splash Swim School

Parker Hartwell 4CS – Achieved the Gold Award at Wade Gymnastics.

Parker Hartwell 4CS – Completed the Summer Reading Challenge

Riley Hartwell 2PS – Completed the Summer Reading Challenge

Fearne Payne 4RS – Passed Stage 4 Swimming with Swim England

Aurora Devitt 3DC – Passed Stage 3 Swimming with Kick'n Splash

Sophia Houghton 1TS – Completed the Summer Reading Challenge

Zoe Cockerill 4RS – Completed the Summer Reading Challenge

Cameron Mack 4RS – Completed the Summer Reading Challenge

HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU ALL! YOU ARE AMAZING!!

Sports:

Cross Country (Years 3-6) - We started our sporting calendar of events yesterday with the cross country competition for all year 3, 4, 5 & 6 pupils. The weather kept its cool for long enough for us to run the event. The children demonstrated lots of determination and perseverance with most children completed the course. Congratulations to all who finished and tried their best! Our top few finishers in each race, will be part of the BLS team to represent school at the NOSSP inter school competition later this term.

Football Icon Academy in September

The Football Icon Academy is returning in September to run a Girls Football Lunchtime Club as well as a Mixed Football After School Club. Please refer to the email sent earlier in the week. The club is scheduled to run for 10 sessions, starting on Monday 11th September. For details of how to sign up to this club please contact schools@footballicon.com.

FoBLS News:

Welcome back to all new and existing FOBLS members. Were excited for the new fund raising year ahead, and are looking forward to having new faces / ideas join the FOBLS team.

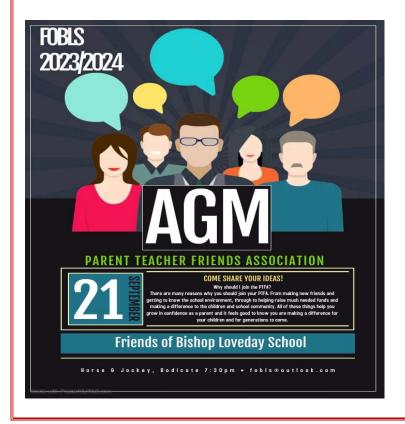
As the weather has been on our side this week we've been able to hold two second hand uniform sales and extended the freeze pop sales which I'm sure has been appreciated in this heatwave Second hand uniform sales will continue monthly throughout the year.

Please do join the FOBLS facebook group for lots of further information about up coming events. Our AGM is being held on **Thursday 21 September, from 7:30 pm** at The Horse & Jockey Pub, in Bodicote village and we look forward to welcoming you all.

Best

FOBLS

Monday 25th September at 09:00	Rags 2 Riches bag drop off day – please leave in Reception, these have been sent home today.
Sunday 3rd December	Winter Fair



Please contact FoBLS at <u>fobls@outlook.com</u> if you can help. F♥BLS

External Clubs:

External Clubs are bookable and payable directly with the club organiser – please see details below:

Dance (Years 1-6) – Mondays 3.15-4.15pm will restart on Monday 11th September until the October half term and then from Monday 30th Oct to Monday 11th December 2023. If you are interested, please email: Rachael@encore-dance.co.uk

Theatre Please contact Marianne Gowers: www.francishammondtheatreschools.co.uk/request-a-place or 07885466465 Info@francishammondtheatreschools.co.uk

Karate (Years 1-6) – Fridays 3.15-4.15pm will restart today, Friday 8th September. If you are interested, please contact Gareth on: reessandra@sky.com or www.banburykarate.co.uk