

# BISHOP LOVEDAY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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23/02/2024

Dear Parents/ Carers,

We hope you had a lovely half term. It's been so lovely to have all of our children back and the children have been working so hard! Some of our Early Years children had their trip to Warriner Farm today, they were so excited as they left! Our year 4's have also enjoyed a science experiment showing how our digestive system works.

We recognise that parents want to come in to school more and be involved with their child's learning. This term we are looking at year groups having 'Book Buzz' sessions where we would love for parents/carers to come in at 3pm and read with

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their child at the end of the day. This will be an opportunity for us to celebrate our love of reading (thank you to the parent who suggested). Dates for each year group will be put into the newsletter next week.

#### OPAL update:

On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March, we have our final training, which assesses our site in a health and safety check. We are starting our play assemblies on Wednesday, and then we should be able to start creating our zones at play times.

I know some parents have been supplying us with some pallets, please could we request for more. We also need scooters for our scooter zone, so if you have any scooters that are not used, we would love to take them off your hands.

Have a lovely weekend and thank you for your continuing support

Dee Loader

**Head of School** 

# **Important Dates:**

February 2024					
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	(Early Years) Trip to the Warriner Farm to see the lambs.				
	(details of the day your child attends has been sent out)				
March 2024					
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	(Early Years) Trip to the Warriner Farm to see the lambs.				
	(details of the day your child attends has been sent out)				
Thursday 7 March	(All)World Book Day - Details Below				
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	(Early Years) Trip to the Warriner Farm to see the lambs.				
	(details of the day your child attends has been sent out)				
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	(Choir) Chipping Norton Music Festival				
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	(Year 4CS) Drumming performance to parents starts at 9.30				
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	(Early Years) Trip to the Warriner Farm to see the lambs.				
	(details of the day your child attends has been sent out)				
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	(Year 4) Residential Information afternoon @ 2.50pm				
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	(Year 4) Egyptian Sharing Assembly @2.40pm				
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	(Early Years) Trip to the Warriner Farm to see the lambs.				
	(details of the day your child attends has been sent out)				
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	(All)FOBLS School Disco – Details Below				
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents Evening – More information to follow				
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents Evening – More information to follow				
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	End of Term 3 - 3.15pm				
	(Homework Club and WAC will continue as normal)				
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	School Closed for Easter Break				
April 2024					
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	School Reopens for Term 4 – 8.55AM				
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	(Year 5) Trip to the Black Country Museum in Dudley				
May 2024					
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May –	(Year 4) Residential Trip to Frank Chapman				
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May					
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	(Year 4RS) Drumming performance to parents starts at 9.00				
	outside.				
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	(Year 1) Trip to Stratford-Upon-Avon Butterfly Farm				
June 2024					
Friday 14 June	All - Sports Day				
Friday 28 June & 5 July	Reserve Sports Day				

# Our Week of Learning:

Early Years have been learning about countries that make up the UK. We looked at a large map and found land, sea, the countries that make up the UK, London and where we live.

Year 1 have been enjoying reading the book 'Fantastically Great Women who Changed the World' by Kate Pankhurst. We then drew pictures of 'fantastically great women' in our life who inspire us! In maths we have been working on subtraction and we are preparing for the arrival of our caterpillars, as part of our Science learning on 'lifecycles.'

Year 2 have been making equal groups in maths and seeing the link between repeated addition and multiplication sentences. In literacy we started researching rainforest animals ready to start writing our non-chronological reports. In PE we made different shapes with our bodies in gymnastics.

Year 3 The children have loved starting their art projects this week. We have been looking at Alice Kettle and Hannah Rae, in particular their use of material, thread and paint.

Here are some examples:









Year 4 have been getting messy in Science to practically investigate how the digestive system works in the human body. They have shown excellent understanding of scientific vocabulary and have explained how food is digested in a precise and accurate way. Well done Year 4!



Year 5 have started own new theme learning about the Victorians. We have looked at key dates of the Victorian era and explored the use of rivers, using our mapping skills to identify. In English we are learning how to become a successful pickpocket just like the boys in Oliver!

Year 6 have thoroughly enjoyed finishing to make their Anderson shelters in DT. They are a wonderful example of their skills, determination and creativity. In RE, we have started to learn about the significance of pilgrimage for people of different faiths. They have been very thoughtful and reflective in their responses. What a great start to the term!

#### Brilliant Learning Star of the Week:



### **House Points:**

This weeks winner is.....

This Week's Winner



FOREST 'Thunberg'	WATERFALL "Rashford"	SUN 'Mercury'	ICE 'Ayling-Ellis'	OCEANS 'Daley'	FIRE 'Malala'
57	40	<b>6</b> 5	89	92	74

### **Bronze Award:**



PROUDLY PRESENTED TO:

In recognition of you achieving 50 gold stickers and demonstrating brilliant learning behaviour



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Jesse D Mylo B Evie-Rose N Harley M Alice A Eve H Isla R

# Silver Award:



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In recognition of you achieving 100 gold stickers and demonstrating brilliant learning behaviour



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Ryan M
Luke d M
Luna H
Zain U
Lacey L
Polly P
Florence B
Alfie J
Fleur G-S
Finley W
Lily-Rose W
Lucas H
Erin B
Riley H

# Gold Award:



### Awards:

Lucia F (3D) achieved her ESF 2 star skiing award. She had a great weekend skiing, now reaching the ESF 3 star level. She also completed her very first ski race.



Out of 100s of students Sebastian M (4RS) has been awarded student of the year in Tae kwon do. This is a huge achievement and some kind words shared about him below.



Summer J (3DC) Received her Silver Award from Wade Gymnastics

Florence B (4CS) received a Certificate for skiing.

Marnie D (3DC) received a ski school Badge for ESF level 1 & 2

Charlotte P (3DC) Won 3 trophies at the School for the Stars which were 1<sup>st</sup> place, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place and she also received a medal

Alice D (3BW) received her Blue Peter Music badge for writing about her love of playing the piano.



Jemima W (3DC) received her Just Camp Bronze Award for displaying skills and aptitude in three new sports and being a team player at camp.



Edie U (1CW) took part in The School for the Stars dance competition.



Riley H (2PS) won player of the week for Banbury Rugby Club Under 7s on Sunday - he scored 6 tries and made 9 tags! Emilia E (1CW) is part of 'The School For Stars' mini ballet team who dance at the Starz UK dance competition on Saturday 17th February. It was Emilia's first dance competition and the first for her ballet team. They were placed 1st for their routine and were all extremely happy and proud.



Jemima has received her Gold Award at Wade Gymnastic and will now move on to their Junior Invitational Programme.

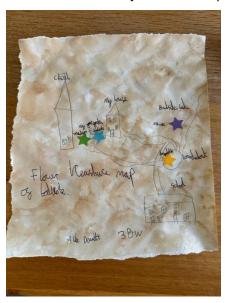


Alfie J (4CS) – Received his Silver Award at Wade Gymnastics

Daisy D (1CW) –
Achieved Level 2
Swimming with Swim
England

### Be the Change: Weekly Challenges:

Alice D 3BW and Benjamin D EY maps they made for the climate ambassadors' challenge:



https://www.youngclimatewarriors.org/post/rethink-restyle-reuse

# Rethink, restyle, reuse!

Swapping, patching, borrowing, altering, mending, re-designing, dyeing ... it's time to tackle fast fashion to help out climate change. A 1/3 of clothes in UK wardrobes haven't been worn in the last year! Do you wear all the clothes in your drawers, or do you just stick to your favourites? Dig deep, rummage around, and maybe you'll find some surprises! This week's challenge is to try to think about your clothes in a new way – 'how do I repair it', not 'how do I get a new one'. It can be exciti

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### Gardening Club:

As we are getting closer to spring you may be having a sort out of your sheds etc. If so, please could you think of us.

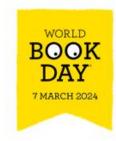
Our gardening/nature club are looking for many items. We would be grateful for anything you may have, however here is a list of items we are looking for, for ongoing projects.

- Garden tools, especially hand tools for the children to use.
- Compost
- Coir
- large and small plant pots
- Offcuts of wood suitable for bird boxes/feeders and raised beds
- Empty 2lt plastic bottles

If you have any of these or anything that we could use, please could you bring them into school.

Thank you.

### World Book Day:





This year we will be celebrating 'World Book Day' on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March. During the day, all of the children will take part in reading based activities, including an activity in their houses. We invite children to dress up for World Book Day inspired by their favourite book. This could be a character from a story or as a fact from a non-fiction book. Please see the attached pdf for further support with this. Children are also welcome to bring in their favourite book from home to share with their peers.

Furthermore, we would like to invite parents and carers into school at 2:50pm for a BLS World Book Day Parade involving all year groups. The main gate to the playground will open at 2:40pm and children will be released from their classroom, as normal, at the end of the day.

All children will be given a £1 book token, which can be spent at booksellers including Waterstones, Sainsburys, WH Smiths and The Works. Our reading champions will be sharing more information about these books in the build up to World Book Day.

#### FOBLS:

Thank you to all whom have signed up to support the FOBLS school disco on 24<sup>th</sup> March there's still time to register so please do so via the form https://forms.office.com/e/ze7Ki9n1xp

We can't wait to see the dance moves ② 发 为IIII

Our fabulous FOBLS Bodicote Easter Trail will be happening again this year and the team are busily planning and preparing. If you would like to display a number for the trail please follow the link <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/Tzg3jWWsHR">https://forms.office.com/e/Tzg3jWWsHR</a> Payment for the trail will be available on parentpay soon

FOBLS are delighted to announce that we've received a grant of £500 from Bodicote District Council following a successful grant application. These funds will be invested in the new OPAL play structure scheme benefitting all students of BLS.

#### Best regards

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#### Other







#### Reading Helpers needed!

ARCh volunteers work one to one with selected children in a primary school, close to their home or workplace, providing personalised "happy reading" support to boost confidence, build self-esteem and turn around negative attitudes to reading.

We are looking for more people across Oxfordshire to join us in making a real difference to children's lives. No particular qualifications needed - just good communication skills and enthusiasm for reading! Volunteering with ARCh is a very rewarding experience and enhances helpers' lives as much as it does children's.

All volunteers are vetted (including enhanced DBS) and receive initial and ongoing training and support as well as resources tailored to each child.

If you would like to get involved as a volunteer or supporter, please email info@archoxfordshire.org.uk or call Emma on 07875736137

Please support us – you can donate via https://localgiving.org/donation/arch

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ARCh is committed to Safeguarding and this role is exempt from ROA 1974 and eligible for enhanced DBS certificate/barred list check.

2-5PM, 9-10 MARCH @ WARRINER SCHOOL FARM, BLOXHAM

# **LAMBING OPEN WEEKEND**



Join us for family-friendly fun at the farm: ~ Cuddle our cute animals ~ Enjoy some tasty refreshments We look forward to your visit!

MEET OUR NEWBORN LAMBS, KIDS & CALVES



FREE ENTRY DONATIONS WELCOME





