



BISHOP LOVEDAY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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

28/03/2024

Dear Parents/ Carers,

We made it! We have had such an amazing term and the children have been amazing! Thank you for everybody's continuing support, your kind words mean so much to us.

WhatsApp

We have had a message from the OCC safeguarding team to alert us to a recent WhatsApp group. Children are being added by their friends with the aim of the group becoming the biggest WhatsApp group in the UK. The name of the group keeps changing, but reports from pupils within an Oxfordshire school is that the group is toxic. Please could I ask that you check your child's phone to ensure they are only in WhatsApp groups of people that they know. We have also attached guidance for parents regarding age recommendations and supporting children using WhatsApp.

Be alert

We have received reports of a man in the local area, who appears to have significant mental health needs. He is usually dressed in shorts and t-shirt and has long hair and a beard. The relevant services are attempting to support him with his needs, but please could we suggest that you and your children do not approach the man but ring 101/999 if his behaviour raises concerns.

Parents evening and 2stars and a wish feedback:

Thank you so much to all who have attended parents evenings. For those who did not receive a QR code, we would love to get your feedback.



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Parking

We have parents who are parking on double yellow lines in the new housing estate and letting their children out roadside to then run across the road independently. We have had a couple of near misses in the last week and also when members of the public have spoken to some of our parents we have had lots of bad language, which is really disappointing.

The good news is that the cricket club have resurfaced the parking so that there is no mud. Please use the parking and then walk up to school.



School Disco

I'm sure you will all agree that the disco run by FOBLS was a roaring success. A huge, huge thank you to all who supported with this event. Our children absolutely loved it!

Church visit and Early Years Easter service

Thank you to all, who supported us at church this morning and with the Early Years this afternoon. The children love sharing this service with you.

Staffing

Today, we said goodbye to Miss Danielska. We wish her all the best in her new role at NOA. We will be welcoming Miss Oliver after the Easter holidays, who will be working predominantly alongside Miss Clarke and the rest of the year 3 team.

Have a lovely, restful holiday everybody. See you back on Monday 15th April

Dee Loader

Head of School

During the school closure, if you have a concern about a child, please call the MASH team (Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub) on 0345 050 7666 during office hours (8.30am – 5pm, Monday to Thursday, 8.30am – 4pm, Friday). Outside office hours you can call the Emergency Duty Team on 0800 833 408.

Important Dates:

March 2024	
Thursday 28 th March	End of Term 3 - 3.15pm (Homework Club and WAC will continue as normal)
Friday 29 th March	School Closed for Easter Break
April 2024	
Monday 15 th April	School Reopens for Term 4 – 8.55AM
Thursday 18 th April Hall	(Year 6) Folk Music Festival and Book Buzz 6PA @ 9:15 6WV @ 10:00
Friday 26 th April	(Year 5) Trip to the Black Country Museum in Dudley
May 2024	
Monday 6 th May	School Closed for May Bank Holiday
Tuesday 7 th May – Wednesday 8 th May	(Year 4) Residential Trip to Frank Chapman
Wednesday 22 nd May	(All) School Year Group Photos and Year 1 Individual photos
Thursday 23 rd May	(All except year 1) Individual school photos
Thursday 23 rd May	(Year 4RS) Drumming performance to parents starts at 9.00 outside.
Thursday 23 rd May	(Year 1) Trip to Stratford-Upon-Avon Butterfly Farm
Monday 27 th May – 31 st May	School Closed for Half Term
June 2024	
Monday 3 rd June	Inset Day – No children to attend
Friday 14 June	All - Sports Day
Friday 28 June & 5 July	Reserve Sports Day
July 2024	
Friday 5 th July @ 5.30pm	Church and School Fete
Wednesday 24 th July	End of Term 3 - 3.15pm (Homework Club and WAC will continue as normal)
Thursday 25 th July – Friday 30 th August	School Closed for Summer Holiday
Thursday 25 th July – Friday 9 th August	Summer Club available please book your place https://forms.office.com/e/aA8eNub0xi
Friday 1 st September and Monday 4 th September	Inset Day – No children to attend

Our Week of Learning:

Early Years have been completing lots of Easter activities including making Easter biscuits. The children brought into school the hats they have made for our Easter assembly, they looked incredible and lots of hard work has gone into them. Thank you parents/carers for helping the children make their hats. We finish our term with our Easter assembly and have shared a book with our parents/ carers.

Year 1 have been learning a performance poem called The Nut Tree, by Julia Donaldson. We have enjoyed adding actions and practising the rhythm of the poem to a drum beat.

Year 2 have been writing letters to the Prime Minister to try to persuade him to stop deforestation. They used emotive language, rhetorical questions and technical language that they have learned through our rainforest topic. We hope you enjoyed reading some of them during parent's evening. In History, we learned about some of the equipment that explorers used to navigate their way around the world on their ships. We hope everyone has wonderful Easter break.

Year 3 loved their science this week, they dissected a flower and learnt about the component parts. They showcased their work in their books!

Year 4 have written up their exciting Varjak Paw stories and they look amazing! In science they have been using classification keys to identify different animals and plants.

Year 5 have been creating 3D maps showing the different facets of our personalities based on work by the artist Grayson Perry. In maths we have been comparing fractions, decimals and percentages and in RE we answered the big question. In PE, we used different rolls and balances to create a sequence.

We are all proud of our achievements over the term and are ready for a well-earned break.

Year 6 have been learning about democracy and how our voting system works. In small groups, the children created their own party, putting forward a candidate and manifesto. They presented this to the class and then we carried out a vote. The children were extremely thoughtful and their presentations were a credit to them. Well done!

Sports

Y3 & Y4 FAN Festival - Photo Orienteering

A team of year 3 and 4 children attended a NOSSP photo orienteering event at Wykham Park School on Thursday along with approximately 120 children from schools across the local area. Fortunately the weather was kind and the children had a great time working in small teams, running around, completing an orienteering course where they had to identify locations using photo for clues.



Y5 & Y6 BRUFC Tag Rugby

30 year 5 and 6 children made their way to Banbury Rugby Club last Friday to play in a rugby tournament involving schools across the Banbury area. Three BLS teams took part and all performed fantastically, demonstrating great team work, communication and a real determination to develop their rugby skills. Banbury Rugby Club treated the children to a great hot lunch, and an opportunity for them all to meet Jason Robinson, a former England player and world cup winner! Well done to all the children who took part! A great day was had by all!



Swimming:

Swimming Distance Awards:

5 Meters: Maisie R, Jonah W, Parker H, Fleur G-S, Luna H, Amelie B, Finley W, Layla H, Indy F, Emily G, Darcy L, Poppy L, Dmitrii C, Ben P, Ryan M, Alfie J, Florence B

Confidence Stage: Maisie R, Florence B, Dmitrii C, Indy F, Emily G, Layla H, Alfie J, Darcy L, Poppy L, Ryan M, Ben P

Clubs:

Summer Camps are now available to book on our online form <https://forms.office.com/e/mMKCmXC23u> closing date is the 14th April.

We are thrilled to be able to offer tennis lessons starting the 26th April – 12th July for Key Stage 2. Please book through the following link: [Login - Rosie Clark Tennis Coaching](#)

Awards:

Belle P (3DC) – Received an official invitation to the Move it Shake It Nationals and she also received a certificate of Appreciation for 2nd Place and 3 medals

Harry B (3DC) was the BRUFC Team player of the Week

Cordelia N (3DC) Received 2 medals for the Legacy Cheer and Dance Competition that took place in Birmingham at the weekend.

Daisy D (1CW) achieved her level 7 Proficiency Award with the British Gymnastics.

Lucia F (3DC) received a certificate of achievement with Rosie Clark tennis coaching.

Marnie D (3DC) received a medal from the Brackley Netball Club

Lucia F (3DC) achieved a certificate for swimming 400 meters with Kick n Splash

Imogen R (2PS) competed in the Legacy Cheer and Dance Competition in Birmingham with her Vibes team 'Little'.

Summer School:



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SUMMER CLUB!

Arts & Crafts Den Making Forest School
Water Fun Park Walks

We are open for all years during the first two weeks of the summer holidays:

Thursday 25th July 9th August 2024

8:30am – 3:30pm	£25.00 per session
8:30am – 5:00pm	£30.00 per session

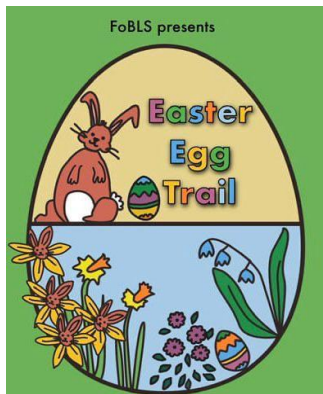
Includes breakfast & snacks (please provide packed lunch)
(Childcare Vouchers accepted)

Arts & Crafts Den Making Forest School Water Fun Park Walks

If you are interested in booking a place please complete the online booking form by 30th April 2024. We will then confirm your child's place and ask for payment to be made to secure your booking. Payment in full will be due by 30th June 2024 latest. Thank you.

<https://forms.office.com/e/aA8eNub0xi>

FOBLS:



Disco WOW what an event. Such fun had by all. Thank you to all the helpers who supported the event. I'm over the moon to let u know the event raised a massive £595.98!

The 2024 Bodicote Easter Trail is now live. If you missed purchasing your map via school, maps can be bought for £1.50 from Londis, Bodicote.

If you have a Spring Clean over Easter please keep hold of your unwanted items. FOBLS will be holding a 'Car Boot Sale' on 27th April where you can sell your items for a few extra pennies, further details will be circulated after the Easter break.

Wishing everyone a fabulous Easter 🐰🥚 Thank you for all of your continued support.

Other:

