

Blakedown CE Primary School

Newsletter Autumn 11



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Christmas Nativity

Reception and Class 1 will be performing a Christmas play on Tuesday 19th at 9.30 a.m. and Thursday 21st December at 2.30 p.m. There will be two performances starting at 9.30 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. with a limit of tickets per performance for each child. You will be receiving a letter soon about this and how to book.

Happy Birthday!

Happy Birthday this week 20th -26th November to:

Edison who is 5;
& Olivia who is 6.



School & PE Uniform

For all days where children have PE or are attending an after-school sports club, the school navy PE kit should be worn to school. If additional or specialist items of clothing are needed for a club, these should be brought and changed into at the end of the day. There has been an increase in children wearing a free choice of sports or branded kit which is impacting on how smart the children look in school.

Thank you for your support with this.

Online Safety Meeting

*The virtual and free **online safety briefing for parents** is being held on **27th November**. The links to this event are on the website calendar for this day. Please try to attend, there will be lots of useful and important information about how to keep your child safe.*

Christmas Dinner

Christmas dinner will be on **Friday 22nd December**. The menu has been changed on ParentPay to reflect this. If you have already ordered a meal for that day, please go back onto ParentPay as your previous order will not have been saved. The price of this for KS2 orders is £2.80.



Weekly Attendance W.E.: 24.11.2023

Reception: 93% | Late
Class 1: 99% 4 Lates
Class 2: 93% 4 Lates
Class 3: 93% | Late
Class 4: 95%
Class 5: 87% 4 Lates
Class 6: 98% | Late

Class
1

Date Reminders:

December:

- 01.12.23: Recognition Assembly - Year 2 Parents
- 02.12.23: Breakfast with Santa
- 05.12.23: Forest School - Reception
- 06.12.23: SEND Meetings
- 08.12.23: Recognition Assembly - Year 4 Parents

For all future dates please refer to the school website calendar.

Blakedown Vision and Values

JOY

SERVE

ACHIEVE

School Christian Values

Peace Forgiveness Trust Perseverance Respect

Attendance

High attendance at school directly impacts on how well a child's outcomes are. Those children who have missed a week of education in this term will be classed as persistently absent and if this continues there is a direct link to their end of year outcomes. It is difficult at this time of year in particular when children are unwell and children do need time off to recover, however there have been a number of holiday absences in school time which then add up when a child is ill. Please note this when you are considering booking a holiday, or appointment for medical appointments. If you are unsure if your child is too ill to go to school, the link below offers useful guidance:

https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery

Thank You!

Thank you to all who supported the Book Fair that was hosted at school recently. Due to your purchases, this raised £161.07 for the school to buy books. Our next book fair will be next year at around the same time - 11th-14th November 2024.



Home Upgrade Grants (HUG2)

The Home Upgrade Grant scheme (HUG2) is designed to help improve the comfort and energy efficiency of lower income homes in Worcestershire that are not heated by mains gas central heating.

The scheme offers several other benefits, including reducing a home's carbon footprint and energy bills, with no cost to the resident. Worcestershire County Council is working with Redditch Borough Council, Bromsgrove, Wychavon and Malvern Hills District Councils to deliver this programme. Residents in Worcester City or Wyre Forest District can visit their council's website for information on the schemes operating in their area. Further information about the scheme including eligibility and how to apply is available online at [Home Upgrade Grant Scheme \(HUG2\)](#) and in their Home Upgrade Grants leaflet (attached).

Recognition Awards for week beginning 20th November 2023

Reception	Whole Class Teddy Lily	Recognised by lunchtime supervisors for their beautiful manners every lunchtime. For offering his ideas more in the whole class, and also improved blending in phonics. For showing fantastic perseverance and focus in learning her phonic sounds and then blending them
Year 1	Maddison Theo Henry	For orally telling me her story about the Sam the cat and Dog. You used fantastic story language from our learning. For sharing his amazing knowledge of toys in our History lesson. Theo told us all about toys from the 1960s and how these compared to the toys we have now. For always demonstrating fantastic focus and for always working really hard.
Year 2	Holly	For demonstrating the value of service, by being kind and supportive of others.
Year 3	Nanaki Lydia	For her methodical approach in numeracy. Recording her work neatly and accurately, For being a super kind, caring and helpful member of the class.
Year 4	Boni Gabby	For always showing great effort and trying her hardest in both numeracy and literacy. For being a kind and compassionate friend and supporting children on the playground when they are feeling down
Year 5	Lydia	For always working independently and with enthusiasm.
Year 6	Wilbur	For making a huge effort to improve his presentation and use Kinetic letters.