



Blakesley CE Primary School

Newsletter 20th December 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,



On behalf of all of the staff and children of Blakesley CE Primary School,



*I would like to wish you all
a very Merry Christmas and
a Happy, Healthy and Peaceful New Year.*



This has been a wonderful first term for me at Blakesley; looking back over it we have so much to celebrate...

From Watersports Days at Pitsford...

to Egyptian days at school...

to Harvest Festivals and sharing Harvest Soup...

to sporting achievements...

to Remembrance Day poppies...



... the staff, pupils, parents and friends of Blakesley CE Primary School have come together to show what a truly special place this is. I am proud to be the Headteacher and take immense pleasure in watching the children flourish.



Over the last month, we have certainly celebrated Christmas in style.

Our Christingle Service, led by Class 3, was the perfect way to start our celebration of Christmas at Blakesley.



Our Key Stage 1 children's performance of 'Christmas with the Aliens' brought some very special smiles (not to mention some new dance moves – thank you Mrs Fox!) And our 'Carols Around the Tree', led by Class 4, brought good heart and voice to our final celebration. The children have been exceptional in rehearsing and performing their parts, your appreciation of their efforts and talents was heart-warming to share. They made us all very proud.

FABS have been working incredibly hard both to support the school in raising additional funds to enhance the experiences that we can offer our children; but also to put on events to bring the community together. I'd like to thank Elaine and all of the members of FABS for their hard work, dedication and creativity in supporting us; it really is appreciated.

School Bus Service

We are altering the way we get consent for pupils to travel on the School Bus from January 2018. For those children that use the service, Mrs Thomson will email a form that asks for your consent for your child to travel to and from school by bus. We will then send a form which you can use to inform us of the dates that you **do not** wish your child to go home by bus.

Applying for a Reception Class place in September 2018

The closing date for applications for a Reception Class place in September 2018 is **5pm on 15 January 2018**. Please follow the link to Northamptonshire County Council's school admissions page to for more information and to submit your application.

<http://www3.northamptonshire.gov.uk/councilservices/children-families-education/schools-and-education/school-admissions/primary-school-places/Pages/how-to-apply-for-a-primary-school-place.aspx>

The Admission Policy for school places from September 2018, which follows the Northamptonshire Composite Prospectus will be shared on the school website shortly.

Important Dates

Wednesday 3rd January 2018: Teacher Training Day, school will be closed to pupils.

Thursday 4th January 2018: School re-opens to pupils.

*Thank you for all of your support over the last term,
I would like to wish you all a joyful Christmas.*

With kind regards,

*Sally Beaton
Headteacher*