

**Blakesley CE Primary School  
Blakesley  
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### **Newsletter 3 T1: September 24th 2021**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Not only did our 5-aside football squad look the part in their new Blakesley kit, but their performance on and off the pitch, yesterday afternoon, was even more impressive. The local cluster football tournament, held at Sponne, consisted of 7 teams and we were the smallest school taking part. In the league, we played 6 games, drew one and won five, therefore undefeated.

Knowing how the results went and the order of the teams played it seems incorrect and mathematically impossible that we ended up finishing second. However, our sporting behaviour was exceptional as our team handled the disappointment of getting so close to being champions without any tantrums or groans at all. The quality of football played was excellent, good passing, strong tackling, silky skills and plenty of net bursting goals. In each game super teamwork was demonstrated and every squad member played their part. Well done Team Blakesley- You did us proud.



### **Harvest Festival**

A huge 'Thank you' to all of those families who donated packets and tins to be displayed at the Harvest Festival. The service is being held in St Mary's Church, Blakesley on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September. All donations will be shared with the Towcester Foodbank helping local families in need.

### **COVID update**

Since the lifting of COVID restrictions, inside school we have been beginning to function in a closer to normal manner, yet we have still maintained cleaning protocols, paying attention to hand hygiene and ensuring classrooms remain well ventilated.

Every effort, in school, has been made to try to stay COVID free, however, at this moment in time, one pupil has now received a positive PCR test and we await the outcome of further PCR tests for two pupils that received positive LFT readings.

Even though there is no obligation to inform our school community of such news, it seems only right to share such information so that all families remain vigilant and as safe as possible. We will continue to notify families if we receive news of positive test results.

If a pupil tests positive on a lateral flow test at home, parents are advised to take their child for a full PCR test. Whilst waiting for the result, please keep your child at home.

If the PCR test is positive, the child must follow government guidelines and self-isolate for ten days. Remote learning will be provided for the child. If the PCR is negative the child may return to school.

If there is a positive case within a household but the pupil PCR test is negative, the child **may still** attend school. Attendance is expected for all pupils provided they are well. Please note if children become unwell at school their temperature will be taken. Where temperatures are above 37 degrees and rising, parents will be contacted.

If contacted by NHS Track and Trace as a close contact of someone who has tested positive, a PCR test is advised. You must then self-isolate until the test result is confirmed.

It is beginning to feel that COVID is spreading ever closer so please continue to maintain good routines of hygiene and be watchful for symptoms.

### **Future Dates**

- 26<sup>th</sup> Sept Harvest Festival at Church
- 12<sup>th</sup> Oct Parents Evening
- 13<sup>th</sup> Oct Parents Evening
- 15<sup>th</sup> Oct Bread and Soup Supper (TBC)

If there are aspects of the newsletter that you would like to discuss or if you have any issues or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

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Headteacher