

Blakesley CE Primary School
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Newsletter 1 T2: 5th November 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

Firework displays have already started as the children have returned for a new term in school. Inquisitive minds are on 'fire' asking questions, hands are up like 'rockets' and pencils are 'zooming' across lines filling pages. As always, it is lovely to see the children back in class learning and working with enthusiasm.

Service of Thanksgiving 19th November

All of our school staff have been invited to a gathering, so that our respects can be made to our friend and colleague, Helen Thompson, who sadly passed away recently. Therefore, on this day Friday 19th November, when school finishes at 3.15pm, there will be **NO** Hotshots Club or afterschool care provided. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause but hope you will all be understanding.

GLK Wednesday Session

Unfortunately, our school hall will be unavailable on the morning of Wednesday 10th November, so the GLK gymnastics session will have to be cancelled. The session will be re-arranged for another time. Once this new date has been confirmed it will be shared with you. Again sorry for any disappointment or inconvenience caused. If being part of the club helps with before school care any gymnast, from Wednesday group only, can attend Breakfast club instead. If this is the case, please contact the school office directly and arrangements will be made.

Remembrance Service

On Thursday 11th November, just before 11am, we will be holding our own Remembrance Service outside the front of the school. All of the children are beginning to make poppies that will be placed on the grass in readiness for the ceremony, which will be led by Class 4. As the Service will be outside, in a public place, parents or carers are welcome to come along but must observe from a distance. We still have to be mindful of COVID.

Before and After School Care

Please note, however last minute, all sessions of Before and After school care, must be booked using Parent Pay. An uploaded timetable highlighting the sessions is easy to use. Information relating to Parent Pay can be distributed again if necessary. Any questions please contact, cassandradowman@blakesleyprimary.co.uk

School Lunches

Unfortunately difficulties relating to food deliveries are continuing. These disruptions may continue to affect school dinners ordered for your child. Eg variations in the menu actually served on the day may occur. We are very grateful for the care and concern shown by our catering staff to keep disruptions and disappointments to a minimum.

Please remember to ensure school dinners are ordered on time and paid for promptly.

COVID 19

At present, we have no reported cases of COVID within our school community. As long as this continues to the end of next week, we are hopeful PHE will reduce the mitigating measures we have had to put in place recently. Fingers crossed, we will soon be able to welcome parents once again into Praise assembly and our plans for Christmas Services and Nativities can go ahead as we would wish. Please continue to maintain good routines of hygiene, consider 'distancing' and be watchful for symptoms.

Future Dates

- 5th November Blakesley Fireworks
- 11th November Remembrance Day
- 14th November Remembrance Service at St Mary's Church
- 15th November Class 3 Trip Think Tank
- 19th November Break The Rules Day (FABS)
- 19th November – No Hotshots or After School care
- 10th December Movie Night
- 16th December Winter Warmer 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.

Good luck to our Equestrian team who are participating in an Event tomorrow morning. Enjoy any fireworks and bonfires but please stay safe.

Kind regards,

Laurie Hill
Headteacher