

Blakesley CE Primary School
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Dear Parents/Carers,



Despite the turbulent weather, our children have returned to another term in school calmly and purposefully. However, it must be said, we are all very excited by the installation of the new 'Mezzo Climber' in our school grounds. A massive 'Thank you' from all of the school to FABs for their hard work fund raising and their generosity in purchasing this wonderful structure for all of our children to use. Once the concrete has set and the grounds are dry, we know great fun will be had climbing the posts, nets and ropes.

FABs events

On Friday 4th March, directly after school, please come and meet with FABs members on the school playground. This will be an opportunity to socialise with other families and share a hot chocolate or two. Also, there will be a chance to hear about and view plans for further development and enhancements of the school grounds.

Later in the same evening, 4th March, get involved in the FABs' Quiz Night. The event starts 7.30pm at Blakesley Village Hall. Tickets are priced £10 per head to include a light supper plus a drink. Maximum of 6 members per team. There will be prizes for 1st & 2nd place. Please contact Charlotte Cockerill on 07522 832824 or email fabsofblakesley@outlook.com for further information and/or to reserve places.

Sponne Cluster Hockey tournament



Yesterday our school entered two teams into the local cluster hockey tournament, held at Sponne. One team finished 7th and one team finished as Runners-Up . Yet again, our sporting behaviour was exceptional as our team handled the disappointment of narrowly losing the Final 2-1 with dignity. In each game, super teamwork was demonstrated and every squad member played their part. Well done Team Blakesley- Max, Finn, Tilly, Polly, Sybil, Scarlett, Alina, Grace, Sophie, Isla and Nell. You did us proud. Thank you too to Mrs Klegeris, Mrs Rose and supportive parents for transporting the children to and from the event.

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Gymnastics Competition

Good luck to our gymnastic squads who are entering a GLK Gymnastics competition being held in Northampton on Saturday. There are a large number of competitors taking part and the standard will be high. We look forward to hearing about their team and individual performances but above all we hope they enjoy the experience.

Art Project for all

The artwork produced by our children based on the theme of 'Spring time' has been amazing. A huge range of creativity and skill has been demonstrated. In the classrooms there really are some lovely art collections. Although this was not a competition, all pupils who submitted a piece of work will receive a small token of appreciation. In time, all artwork will be returned home.

Parents' Evenings

Thank you for returning your preferences of timings for meeting with class teachers next week. Please know that everything has been done to try and accommodate your choice of timing. Today pupils will be returning home with a slip confirming the time slot allocated to you. Teachers will confirm these timings by e mail too.

Covid updates

From **Thursday 24th February**, the Government removed the legal requirement to self-isolate following a positive test. However, adults and children who test positive , or have any of the main symptoms, will continue to be advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for at least 5 full days, and then continue to follow the guidance until they have received 2 negative test results on consecutive days.

Within school, there is no requirement for adults to wear masks in communal areas but they may continue to do so if they wish to. For the meantime, all ventilation measures and hygiene routines will be maintained.

Whilst we still await further detailed guidance and clarification regarding the removal of COVID restrictions, the return to a more 'normal' is coming but please note all changes affecting school-life and procedures will be carried out gradually.

Future Dates

- Mar 1-3rd Parents' Evenings
- Mar 3rd No SATs Revision Booster Club after school (Y5/Y6 Parents' Evening)
- Mar 3rd Blue Butterfly Police Project
- Mar 11th Blakesley Book Day
- Mar 17th Please note: No Trickers Club

Should you have any questions, issues or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

Laurie Hill

Headteacher

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