

Blakesley CE Primary School
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Newsletter T4 W4

Dear Parents/Carers,



It certainly put a smile on everyone's faces seeing children come to school wearing red noses, funny costumes or clothed in as much red as possible. All of the donations made into our collection will go towards helping people live free from poverty, violence and discrimination.



Comic Relief

Staying with the theme of brightening someone's day, attached to this letter is a free safety guide on how to brighten someone's day whilst online. Living a good digital life does not only mean avoiding the bad things eg. scam adverts, fake news, trolls or unwanted pictures. Sometimes it is about celebrating the good things: how the internet has the power, for example, to help people improve each other's day with a kind word, a supportive comment or a well-timed meme. Therefore, Comic Relief is proposing that these small digital acts of kindness may make a massive difference to the way people feel. It is hoped that the suggestions on the flyer may encourage you to try to send a smile to someone you know.



Quails

The commencement of the hatching of the quails eggs that have been looked after by our reception class has caused quite a stir throughout the school. Keen interest has been shown in all classes. Whilst there are tough real life lessons to learn when dealing with creatures, these have been offset by the sheer joy seen on faces when a new chick appears. The amount of care shown by our children is so touching. Up to date 12 out of the 36 eggs have hatched so far.

Compassion Courage Fellowship Thankfulness Wisdom



Mother's Day Service

Apologies for the typing error last week. Just to clarify, Class 1 Reception children will be leading the Mother's Day Service being held in St Mary's Church, Blakesley on Fri. 25th March, starting at 9.30am.

The Class Two pupils (Year 1 and Year 2) will be participating. Please note the target audience for this event is for families with children in these two classes mentioned. (Class 1+2)

Class photographs are also scheduled for this day.

Careers in WWF



As part of their involvement with the Careers in the Classroom project, Class 4 have been listening this week to Rod Downie, a scientist who works for the World Wide Fund. Rod has been working in the polar regions spending a total of 2 ½ years living and working on the ice in Antarctica. Class 4 found out all about what it is like to live and work in some of the most extreme places on earth as well as how to track a walrus from space.

Covid update

Even though there is no longer a legal requirement for people with COVID-19 infection to self-isolate, recent guidance sent to schools advises that if staff, parents, pupils or potential visitors have any of the main symptoms of COVID-19 or a positive test result they should stay at home and avoid contact with other people.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/>

Some key points from the information to parents, pupils and staff are as follows:

- If a child or a member of staff has any of the main symptoms of COVID-19, they should order a PCR test, stay at home and avoid contact with other people whilst awaiting the test result. They should also do this if they have a positive LFD test result, even if they do not have any symptoms.
- If families insist on a pupil attending school when they have a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19, school may take the decision to refuse the pupil, if their reasonable judgement, it is necessary to protect other pupils and staff from possible infection with COVID-19.

- After 5 days of symptoms pupils/staff should take an LFD test, followed by another LFD test the next day. If both these test results are negative, and the person does not have a high temperature, they can safely return to school.
- If on day 5 pupils/staff test result is positive, they should continue taking LFD tests until they receive 2 consecutive negative tests and then they can return to school (provided they do not have a high temperature).
- Pupils/staff can return to school after 10 days irrespective of a positive LFD test result on the 9th / 10th day.

Future Dates

- Mar 24th Trickers Club resumes
- Mar 24th Y6 Revision Club
- Mar 25th Mother's Day Service St Mary's Church (930am start)
- Mar 25th Class Photographs
- Apr 1st End of Term
- Apr 2nd,3rd,4th Yr.6 Revision Class 9am-12pm
- Apr 19th Tuesday School Re-opens

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

Yours faithfully,

Laurie Hill

Headteacher