

Blakesley CE Primary School
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Newsletter T4 W5

Dear Parents/Carers,



On Tuesday, all of the children from Classes 2, 3 and 4 visited St Mary's Church, Blakesley to participate in an 'Easter Experience'. This involved taking part in a carousel of activities led by Rev Sue Stanley and her expert team of helpers. All of the stations focused on one aspect of the Easter message requiring the children to consider 'big questions' and to think more deeply. In a variety of 'hands on experiences' the children reflected on how and why we celebrate this important event. This led to exploring in greater depth the meaning of Easter and how this important story can still have and should have an impact on our modern lives. 'Thank you' to everyone who gave his or her time and expertise to make this such a successful event.



Easter Gardens

Continuing with the Easter theme and school traditions we are relaunching our 'Easter Garden' exhibition as a whole school project/homework task from today. All of our pupils have now been encouraged to design and make an Easter Garden using any materials they wish. These gardens can be any interpretation of what an Easter garden may be like. There are lots of wonderful suggestions to stimulate ideas on the internet. Please encourage creativity and remember to browse safely. All we ask is that children are able to carry their own finished creations independently. If the Easter gardens could be brought in by Thursday 31st March (or sooner) then we can display them to the whole school community on Friday 1st April.



Stories of Jesus

Throughout next week as part of a new initiative, all of our children will be involved in drama workshops being led by Leah Peters from the Lighthouse Trust. In these workshops our children will be studying the stories of Jesus and exploring how to understand his teachings through drama. The intention is to display some of our week's work at the end of the school day on Friday 1st April.

Compassion Courage Fellowship Thankfulness Wisdom

Further details will be announced nearer the time but we are envisaging being able to share an exhibition of our drama outcomes and the Easter gardens alongside each other outside on the playground. Fingers crossed that the weather will remain kind. Also FABs will be serving refreshments, drinks and cakes. All are invited. Please come along and support this event and FABs at the same time.

Care in the sun

How lovely to see and feel some warm sunshine returning. However it might be necessary to start considering whether the wearing of sunhats or sun cream is needed for children when playing outside. Ideally sun cream needs applying before coming to school and all hats should be named.

Class photographs

Due to unexpected circumstances class photographs had to be postponed today. The new re-arranged date for these is now the morning of Thursday 28th April.

One Minute Maths

Below is a link for an educational app, 1-minute maths, which teaches mathematical skills. Primarily, its target audience is Key Stage 1 pupils (age 5-7 years). It provides individual one-minute tasks focus on adding and subtracting, and on 'Subitising', the skill of instantly recognising the number of items in a group without counting. White Rose have informed us multiplication and division will be added very soon. White Rose have recently added multiplication and division questions on the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. The app can be downloaded easily. It is easy to access and fun. Give it a go:

<https://whiterosemaths.com/1-minute-maths>

New e-mail addresses

On Monday, our school began the process of an e-mail migration, which means new e-mail addresses have been distributed to all of our staff due to the centralising of the internal communication systems within PDET. Even though our old e-mail addresses will still work for a time please start using these new addresses listed below. Thank you.

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Future Dates

- March 31st Final Trickers sessions
- March 31st SATs Revision Class Y6
- March 31st Police visit
- Apr 1st End of Term
- Apr 19th Tuesday School Re-opens
- April 22nd Crazy Hair Day
- April 28th Class Photographs

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

Yours faithfully,

Laurie Hill

Headteacher