

Blakesley CE Primary School
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Newsletter T5 W3

Dear Parents/Carers,



Great excitement occurred in the school garden as George, aged 9, a pupil in Class 3, unearthed a piece of jewellery, believed to possibly be Saxon in origin. George was digging, tending to vegetables when he noticed an unusual mound. After carefully removing the soil a silver pendant was discovered !

We are looking forward to hearing more about this incredible find by reading Class 3's newspaper reports, which are soon to be written.



Orienteering

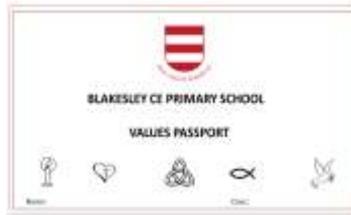
On Tuesday, a group of Y5 children, Alf, Joe, Monty, Bessie, Olivia, Amelia and Jess took part in an orienteering competition held at Daventry Sports field. The children showed great teamwork and cooperative skills as they worked their way around the course following a map and collecting clues. Out of 21 schools that entered, we are pleased to announce that we finished in 7th place. Well done Team Blakesley.



Tennis

Yesterday afternoon two teams, one from Year 3 and one from Year 4, entered the local tennis tournament organised by Sponne School, Towcester. Out of six teams our Year 3 team: Zachary, Ridley, Isla and Nell finished 4th. Whilst our Year 4 team: Joey,Max, Polly and Tilly finished 3rd. Rachel Black , Head of PE Dept & SSCO sent a lovely email which read: "Well done Blakesley, at the tennis tournament this afternoon. The children had a lovely time and behaved impeccably!"

Team Blakesley, yet again, we are proud of you.



Values Passport

On Tuesday evening, May 10th, at 6.30pm in the school hall, all families and their children are invited to the launch of our Values Passport.

Our Values Passport has been designed as a set of challenges and activities that link to our core values of COURAGE, COMPASSION, THANKFULNESS, FELLOWSHIP and WISDOM.

Some activities are easier to complete, others are more challenging; some activities will need to be completed at home, others can be completed in school; some activities can be completed quickly, other activities will take a longer period of time. It is the living and breathing of these values, which makes each and every one of our pupils at Blakesley CE unique and the special children that they are.

This event is an opportunity to view some of the contents of the passport before they are presented to **ALL** of our pupils at the end of the week.

The gathering together also gives a chance for parents to meet some of our Governing body who will be attending. Members of FABs will be providing refreshments too.

Collecting of children

If children are going to play with other children after school it is important that the school hears from the family of the child who is intending to go somewhere different. Whether this is by e-mail or phone that is fine but we cannot take such arrangements from the words of children. This is not as being difficult but ensuring good safeguarding protocols are being adhered.

Please note that if there is any doubt over 'going home' arrangements or if we are unable to contact a necessary parent/guardian we will always keep the child at school and then wait for them to be collected. Apologies if this ever causes frustration or inconvenience but the safeguarding of children is far more important.

Y6 SATs week

From Monday 9th May to Thursday 12th May, our Y6 pupils will be sitting their Standard Assessment Tasks (SATs). Over the next few days, reassuring words, support and plenty of sleep are all needed in abundance. We know how hard the children have worked in Year Six especially, and throughout their time in school. Revision has been thorough and they are very well prepared. We wish each of them all of the best of luck.

Compassion Courage Fellowship Thankfulness Wisdom

Future Dates

- May 9th KS2 Y6 SATs week
- May 10th Values Passport Evening
- May 18th Y6 Whitemoor Residential trip
- May 20th Y5 Squash Festival
- May 23rd Life Education Bus visit
- May 27th Mufti Photos
- May 27th End of Term

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

Yours faithfully,

Laurie Hill

Headteacher