



Mrs Bland's Infant and Nursery School

Newsletter 16th JUNE 2017

Dates for your diary

Monday 19th June
Yr 2 Games Afternoon at
Garland Junior School

Tuesday 27th June
Reception Enrichment trip to
Legoland

Thursday 29th June
Move up day

Yr 2 Children should be taken
by parents to Garland School
for 9.15am

Thursday 6th July
Year One Trip to Milestones
Museum, Basingstoke

Wednesday 12th July
Open Afternoon 1.30pm –
3.15pm

Friday 14th July
School Disco
Yr R – 3.30 – 4.30pm
Yrs 1 & 2 4.45 – 5.45pm

Thursday 20th July
Year 2 Leavers Assembly
9.30am

Thursday 20th July
Last day for Nursery

Friday 21st July
School Finishes 1.45pm

School News

Scotathon and the Summer Fayre

With such lovely weather, we knew we were in for a fun filled afternoon and all the children enjoyed the Scotathon. Well done to everyone for taking part and congratulations to the winners!

Thank you to everyone who came along to support the Summer Fayre. All the stalls were busy and everyone enjoyed themselves. The PTA did a wonderful job and their support of the school is very much appreciated. We do hope parents can consider joining and supporting them for future events.

Your child and the sun

All children need to have had sun cream applied to them before they come to school. If you wish them to have a small named bottle with them, they can apply it later on in the day to top up. Staff are not permitted to apply sun screen for them. All children need to come to school with a sun hat each day.

30 Hours 3 Year Old Funding

Mrs Bland's Nursery has registered to offer the 30 hour provision from September. If you would like to register your child or would like more information, please contact the school office.

Staffing for September 2017

Children in Reception, Y1 and Y2 will be moving up to their new classes on Thursday 29th June. Children moving up to Garland will need to be dropped off and collected from Garland on that day. Children moving up to Y1 and Y2 will need to be dropped off to their current classes and staff will take them to their new class after registration. All children moving up to Y1 and Y2 need to be collected from the KS1 playground at 3.25pm.

Maple Class	Mrs Williams Mon-Tues Mrs Cowie Weds-Fri
Beech Class	Miss Booth
Birch Class	Mr Davies
Willow Class	Mrs Ramchand Mon-Weds Mrs M Jones Thurs-Fri
Rowan Class	Mrs Harlow Mon-Tues Mrs C Jones Weds-Fri
Hazel Class	Ms Duncan

A letter will be sent out before 29th June to confirm which class your child will be moving up to.

We will be saying goodbye to Mrs Cox at the end of this term, who covered Mrs Jones' maternity leave and welcome back Mrs Jones and Mrs Harlow in September.

PTA News

This month its coppers for June. Bring in all the coppers you have and the class that raises the most gets a film and popcorn afternoon.

Get in Touch via –

mrsblandspta@gmail.com

or catch someone on the playground –

Rachel James, Claire Oakes, Lizi Hawkins, Beki Streeter

Or Emma Shumsky in the School Office

Little Acorns Pre-Nursery

This week we have had a wonderful time using a screw driver and playing in our Builder's yard role play area. We have been making some special cards for Sunday and using mini bricks to build with. We have sung nursery rhymes and practised our counting. Outside we enjoyed playing with water especially when it was very hot and we could have a little paddle! Our guinea pigs have been fed daily as we have picked them grass. Please can everyone bring something in for our snacks as we are running low on fresh fruit and vegetables.

Acorn (Nursery AM and PM)

In Nursery this week we continued our learning through the story of, 'The Three Little Pigs'. We have been actors and actresses, acting out the story of The Three Little Pigs and we have learnt to say a rap and kept a steady beat using the claves and tapping our knees as we said it. In maths, we have focussed on taking-away using objects, songs and numbers and have practised using the vocabulary of, 'less' and 'fewer'. We have begun to practise writing some letters using the cursive formation and as usual we have been writing our names. We have also been building various houses using bricks, blocks, play dough, sticks and straws. Lastly we have looked at and talked about different materials and thought of texture words we could use to describe them.

Maple and Beech News (Reception)

This week in Beech and Maple classes, in literacy, we have focused again on the Three Little Pigs. However, this week we have moved on to creating our own versions of the story and retelling these. Some of our different versions included a big, bad fox instead of the wolf, and 3 little crocodiles instead of pigs! We then had a go at writing our own stories too.

In maths, we have focused on addition, using words like add, plus, more, equals and altogether. When solving number sentences we have used objects, fingers, number lines and some of us were even able to do some of the sums in our head!

This half term we are thinking about buildings so this week have looked at and talked about some of the buildings in our local area. We have also talked about the different materials that they are made from and how the buildings are similar and different. We also discussed which materials we would use if we were to build our own house and why.

Birch and Willow (Year 1)

This week we read the story, 'The old Bear'. We answered questions on the text to develop our comprehension skills. We acted the story and filmed onto the iPad and planned our own version of the story. We described the character traits of the bear and the other toys who helped him. In Maths, we have used our knowledge of arrays to solve division in different contexts. We had fun collecting data about the size of our hands and feet. We tried to answer this question: "If someone has big feet, do they also need larger gloves?" What do you think? We worked on making simple programmes in ICT. In Purple Mash, we created a programme to make a monkey move and do different actions. We discussed the meaning of parable of 'The Good Samaritan', who was kind to someone he did not know.

The highlight of our week was the Scootathon on Friday; it was a fantastic race and it was followed by our School fair.

Hazel and Rowan News (Year 2)

This week, Year 2 children have been out and about enjoying the sunshine. The visit to Englefield Estate was a huge success and all of the children had a great time learning about the pros and cons of organic farming versus non-organic farming. We went ferret racing with a ferret named Norman. We learnt about raptors and met a real red kite. Hazel class saw a real blacksmith in action and Rowan class watched sheep shearing. Thank you to all of the parent helpers who came with us on the day. Some of our children visited Garland's on Monday and came back to share all of the exciting things they saw and did. Everyone else is really looking forwards to changeover day now. In literacy, the classes have been learning about possessive apostrophes and Rowan class have been learning a pirate poem for Friday Celebration Assembly. In maths, both classes have been learning how to do column subtraction.



Forest School



This week Maple and Beech enjoyed outdoor learning on school grounds. We looked at tools and talked about how to use them safely. In our nature garden we used screw drivers, sand paper, tape measures and mallets. We also looked around the school garden and talked about what was growing and gave the plants a good watering.

Forest Fun Holiday Club


Please note that Funzone is closed the week that Forest Fun is running (29th August to 1st September) so if you wish to book space in Forest Fun Holiday club, please do so immediately as we are filling up fast.

Breakfast Club

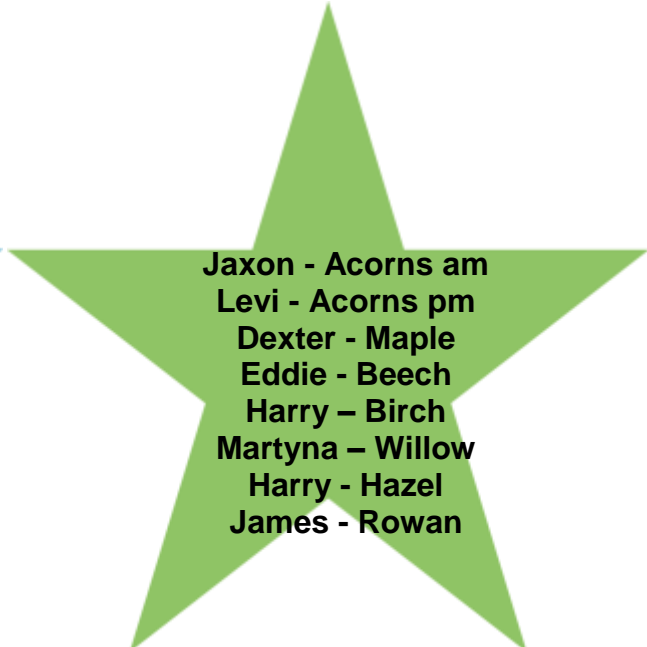
Breakfast club is now held in the Fun zone building from 7.30am every morning. For £4.00 you can drop your child off and they will be given a healthy breakfast and the opportunity to chat and play with their friends. Please contact the office if you would like to book your child a place. You need to register and pay in advance for your child's place.

Star of the Week

Friendship Star



Anton - Acorns am
Navaya - Acorns pm
Charlie - Maple
Isla - Beech
Kayla - Birch
Orla - Willow
Anna-Rose - Hazel
Ciprian - Rowan



Jaxon - Acorns am
Levi - Acorns pm
Dexter - Maple
Eddie - Beech
Harry - Birch
Martyna - Willow
Harry - Hazel
James - Rowan

Help us to Raise Funds for the School:

Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be collecting free donations for Mrs Bland's Infant and Nursery School?

There are over 3,000 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, Aviva, thetrainline and Sainsbury's – it doesn't cost you a penny extra!

It's as easy as 1, 2, 3 and it's free! Go to...

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/mrsblandsinfantandnurseryschool/>

Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping. After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to your good cause for no extra cost whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and Mrs Bland's Infant and Nursery School will be really grateful for your donations.

If you have a tablet or smart phone you can download the 'easyfundraising' app which is easy to access.

School Lottery

Please click on the link below to access the new school lottery where you can win money and prizes whilst supporting the school. Please share this link with your friends and family.

The more people that buy tickets, the better the prizes and the more money we raise.

Thank you for your support and good luck everyone!

The PTA

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/mrs-blinds-infant-and-nursery-school>