



Mrs Bland's Infant and Nursery School

Newsletter

29th March 2018

Dates for your diary

Summer Term 1 Starts

16th April - Inset Day

17th April 2018

School opens for Children

26th April 2018

10.30am Governing Body Pupil
Progress meeting

26th April 2018

8.00pm PTA Meeting

4th May 2018

9.10am Celebration Assembly
with Poem Recital by Beech
Class - Beech Parents
Welcome

9th May 2018

Outdoor Learning Day

11th May 2018

9.10am Celebration Assembly
with Poem Recital by Maple
Class – Maple Parents
welcome

13th May 2018

Burghfield May Fair

16th May 2018

3.25pm Cake Sale – Beech
Class

23rd May 2018

9.30am – 11.30am Sports Day
(main school) – refreshments
available from PTA

1.30pm – Nursery Sports Day

25th May 2018

Bad Hair Day – in support of
the PTA

25th May 2018

End of Summer Term 1 –
school finishes normal time
3.25pm

School News

Celebration assembly led by Year One. It was lovely to see so many parents in the hall. Thank you to everyone for coming.

We said goodbye to Mr Davies, Mrs Dolding, Mrs Lawrence and Mrs Ramchand in the afternoon. The children made lovely cards in class for them all.

Easter Break

We wish all parents and carers a very peaceful and Happy Easter and hope the sun shines.

School reopens for children on Tuesday 17th April. The office will open on Monday the 16th April.

Milk for your child next term

If your child is over 5 in the summer term then they can continue to have milk at break time at the cost of 25p per day. The cost for the whole term is £15.75.

You can pay via Parentpay for this. Please let the school know if you pay after the 16th April when we run the list, as we will not receive a notification from Parentpay. Thank you.

Year 2 Choir

All children registered have a place starting on the 17th April.

Football Club, Cricket Club and Street Dance Club – Years 1 & 2

Football Club – Wednesdays 12.00pm – 12.30pm – Spaces available

Cricket Club – Thursdays 3.30pm – 4.30pm – Spaces available

Street Dance Club – Fridays 3.30pm – 4.30pm

All children registered have a place and the clubs start the first week back.

Thank you to those of you who have paid. Payment must be made before children are added to the registers for each Club. The office is open on the 16th April to take late bookings and payment.

The Football Club will be playing against Bucklebury in the Summer Term – details will be sent out after Easter.

Woodwork Club for Year 1

Starting on Friday the 20th April 3.30pm – 4.30pm – this club is full.

Gardening Club for Reception Class

Starting Wednesday 18th April 3.30pm – 4.30pm – this club is full.

Little Acorns Pre-Nursery

Little Acorns have been learning about Easter this week. We made chocolate nests and Easter baskets. We finished off with an egg hunt! We have listened to Peppa Pig's Easter hunt story and sang 'sleeping bunnies'. On Wednesday we couldn't play outside as it was so so wet but we went for a walk to the big school to wish Mrs Nisbet a 'Happy Easter'.

After Easter we will return to learn about worms!

Acorn Nursery

In nursery this week we completed our topic, 'Which was the Biggest Dinosaur?' We remembered that dinosaurs lay eggs and discovered that the Christian celebration of Easter involves the giving and receiving of chocolate eggs. We read the first Easter story and found out that Christians believe Jesus came back to life at Easter and it's a happy celebration. We have counted using eggs and matched patterns on Easter eggs. We have made our own Easter nests with eggs and watched how heat from the microwave melted the chocolate and then as it cooled it hardened again. We have also had amazing fun jumping in the very deep muddy puddles in the nursery garden as it has rained so much! I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone for allowing me to teach your children this year. They have been fantastic and I will miss them all.

Have a wonderful Easter break and don't forget to practise name writing, letter formation and phonic sounds!!

Maple and Beech News (Reception)

In Beech and Maple class this week our maths focus was shape. We have been describing 2D and 3D shapes. With 3D shapes we have been making towers and finding out which shapes are the best for building tall towers.

In English we read the book 'We're going on an Egg hunt'. It was 'egg-traordinary'! We enjoyed finding the eggs by using the flaps and helping the bunnies. This week we have also enjoyed learning about how different people celebrate Easter and we have shared what we do at home to celebrate.

On Thursday we had a special egg hunt and we found lots of eggs around school and the playground. We even found an extra special golden egg! The Easter bunny gave us all a special gift for working so hard at school, well done everyone. Enjoy your Easter break!

Beech Forest School will have the fire and marshmallow session on their first session – Thursday 18th April.

Birch and Willow (Year 1)

A short week this week culminating in a superb effort by the whole of Year 1 presenting their Space and Easter assembly on Thursday morning. All of the children have been rehearsing really hard over the past few weeks and we are sure that all the adults who came were very proud of their efforts.

We have finished off our Moon Zoom topic this week and have done a big write in English and some work on capacity in Maths. Birch enjoyed a rather damp visit to Forest School on Wednesday and in PE we had great fun playing Dodge Ball.

Our topic next term will be Superheroes. If the children would like to bring in any items related to the topic, please make sure that are labelled.

Mr Davies would like to say a huge thank you to Birch class for a super time this year. You are fabulous; just keep it up next term and you will thrive.

Mrs Ramchand has truly enjoyed teaching Willow class and will miss them all. A big thank you to all parents for your support. Best of luck to you all next term.

PTA Dates

13th May 2018

PTA at the May Fair
Help needed

23rd May 2018

9.30am – 11.30am
providing refreshments at
Sports Day

25th May 2018

Bad Hair Day

15th June 2018

Scotathlon and Summer
Fair!

Get in Touch via –

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or catch someone in the
playground –

Rachel James, Gareth
Bowen, Lizi Hawkins,
Beki Streeter

Hazel and Rowan News (Year 2)

This week we have been learning how to tell the time by thinking about what the hands and the numbers on a clock face mean. We have been learning to tell the time to the nearest 15 minutes, so o'clock, quarter past, half past and quarter to. Please practise this with your child over the holidays, as telling the time is an important skill to master!

In Literacy we have been working hard on writing our own versions of 'Katie and the Impressionists' and have been remembering to include different sentence starters, conjunctions, adjectives and punctuation in our work.

In Science and Forest School we have been looking for signs of spring and thinking about the different sorts of plants that we can eat. We have also learnt about the true meaning of Easter.

The children will be coming home with a list of high frequency words which it would be incredibly beneficial to learn how to read and spell. How many can they spell by the end of the holidays?

We hope you have a lovely break!



Forest School



Maple class enjoyed a lovely warm and slightly sunny afternoon for their fire this week! We hunted for eggs and opened them to find baby chicks (which the children then built nests for). We toasted on the fire and had a drink together. THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH TO OLLY'S MUM, IMOGEN'S MUM AND IZZY'S DAD FOR COMING TO HELP US - YOU HAVE BEEN SEVERAL TIMES AND WE REALLY APPRECIATE IT.

Stars of the Week



Friendship Stars



Perfect Presentation

Cara-Mae - Rowan

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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>