

Dates for your diary

Friday 24th June

Summer Fayre! 3.30 –
5.00pm

Wednesday 29th June

Yr 1 Educational Visit to
London Eye and Boat Trip

Tuesday 12th July

Birch Class Open
Afternoon

Wednesday 13th July

Sports Day (whole school)
and Open Afternoon (all
except Birch Class)

Wednesday 20th July

1:45pm end of term

School News

We have had another busy week in school this week with lots of exciting visitors and a trip to the beach for Reception!

Forces Week

We would like to say a big thank you to all the parents that work in the Armed Forces who came in this week to talk about their roles and share some exciting stories and experiences with the children. You really helped us to celebrate forces week within school. The children have worked very hard to learn the National Anthem and sounded beautiful. We ended the week with a special tea party which the children sourced and produced the food for themselves, and very yummy it looked too!

Mudford Beach

Reception had their last educational visit of the year this week to Mudford Beach in Dorset. As you will see in the pictures below, the children had an amazing time and their behaviour was impeccable. The children enjoyed collecting shells and playing in the sand and we were blessed with good weather. Thank you to all our parent volunteers who ensured the trip could go ahead – we couldn't do it without you!



Rainbow Tombola

Thank you all for your generous donations to our Rainbow Tombola. We hope that you enjoyed the Fayre and we will update you soon with the amount we raised.

PTA News

To see what you may have missed out on please visit the PTA on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MrsBlandsPTA>

Get in Touch via –

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or catch someone on the playground –

**Ben Ash, Laura Hooke,
Sian Killen, Charmaine
Kelly**

Little Acorns Pre-Nursery

This week in Little Acorns, we have been reading Mick Inkpen's 'Sandcastles.' The children have enjoyed working with their friends to build sandcastles of their very own. The children could also describe the shape and size of their sandcastles. We are lucky enough to have our own collection of seashells, which the children enjoyed using to decorate their sculptures.

In maths this week we have remembered the names of different shapes, learnt what makes each shape different and tried to draw these shapes on the chalkboard independently.

Our little ones were excited to visit the 'big nursery' this week. It's really lovely to see their confidence grow as we begin to travel around the 'big school' waving hello to the different adults and teachers and see the other big children, hard at work.

To celebrate Armed Forces week we talked about people who help keep us safe in our community and the children had the opportunity to dress up like Soldiers!

Please can we ask, for safety reasons, if your child is wearing open-toed sandals to also wear socks to help protect their toes.

Many thanks.

Acorn (Nursery am and pm)

This week in Acorns we have been looking at the story of 'The Three Little Pigs.' We have learnt actions from Pie Corbett to go with the story to help us remember the sequence of events.

In maths we were thinking about how many people are in our houses and writing the number on the door.

During our PE lesson we started practising for our upcoming Sports Day. We will practise a race a week!

Maple and Beech News (Reception)

This week in Reception we have been learning about the Armed Forces. We had visitors come in to talk to us about their jobs in the Armed Forces.

We had a fantastic trip on Wednesday to Mudeford. The children were amazing and really enjoyed paddling and making sandcastles. Thank you again to those who came along to help.

We have continued learning to whittle in outdoor learning and practise our athletic skills ready for sports day during PE.

Birch and Cherry (Year 1)

This week in Year 1 we have enjoyed learning about the Armed Forces. The children came up with lots of good questions to ask our visitors e.g. "Have you ever jumped out a plane with a parachute?"..."How do the vehicles and food get delivered to different parts of the world?"

As part of our outdoor learning, we used the obstacle course materials to create military vehicles such as boats and planes and we also learnt how to polish some leather shoes.

For our afternoon tea on Friday, we prepared and made cucumber sandwiches. First, we discovered the importance of giving clear instructions. We laughed when the teachers followed our instructions literally e.g. When asked to put the cucumber in the bread, they put the whole cucumber inside it! We realised that instructions need to be precise to be followed accurately!

We have also enjoyed several D.T. activities - designing an 'Afternoon Tea', making paper 'Spitfire' aeroplanes, and creating gift boxes in the style of those given by Princess Mary to serving members of the Armed Forces during World War 1.

Next week, we have our exciting trip to London on Wednesday. Can we please ask that the children are dressed in usual uniform and they bring a small rucksack with them in which to carry their packed lunch, water etc. The children need to arrive at 7:50am for a prompt 8:00am departure and we should be back in school for the regular pick up time.

Hazel and Rowan (Year 2)

What a packed week we've had this week! We've all really enjoyed all the Forces Week activities and learning why it's so important to appreciate and celebrate everything that those in the forces do for us.

On Monday we prepared our shopping list for Friday's afternoon tea, and used some of our excellent maths skills to calculate how much money we might need to spend. We've also designed and created an invitation to the Summer Fayre and have drawn some War posters. The children did us proud when we walked to the local shop to buy all our ingredients, modelling perfect behaviour at all times. We also really enjoyed our 'evacuee' morning and thought lots about how an evacuee from World War 2 may have felt.

We've even managed to squeeze in the first of our rehearsals for our Year 2 Leavers Play – It's already looking great and we're very excited to share it with you at the end of this term!

Finally, a big thank you for all the donations for the rainbow tombola! Year 2 have done themselves proud this year!

Wishing you all a relaxing weekend!

The Year 2 Team

Breakfast Bees and Bumblebees

This week at Bumblebees we have been busy making cakes to sell to support the Summer Fayre.

The children have been enjoying playing turn taking games and being very kind to each other.

We have been doing lots of drawing this week. We have thought about and discussed Armed Forces Week too.

Bumblebees Stars

Friend



Dani Yr 1

Dinner Star



Logan Yr 1

Playtime



Sophie Yr 2

Whole School Stars

Star of the Week



Friendship Star



Playtime Star



Garland Junior School – The Hatch Gate offer

It's been always great to serve our lovely villagers. We really appreciate all of your customs & support to us. So we'd now like to do something a little special in our village to keep the smiles going.....

Our village school Garland Junior has been recently raising funds to buy iPads and programming equipment. Their collections have been doing well but we'd like to help.

The Hatch Gate & Burghfield Spices have decided to donate all profits received on Monday 4th July to help them reach their goal. To help US help THEM we need YOU simply to mention "School fundraising" when you order your eat-in, take away, or collection Monday 4th July. We'll keep tabs on donations and do the paperwork so the amount can be maximised with tax relief.

Takeaway collection / Deliveries or Reserve a Table

www.burghfieldspices.co.uk

www.thehatchgateinn.co.uk

or Telephone: 01189834040, 01189832059

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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-blands-infant-and-nursery-school>



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