

ACADEMIC YEAR 18/19

NOVEMBER

FRIDAY 23RD

TAKEOVER DAY!
SMOOTHIE FRIDAY 8.30-8.45AM
GIRLS FOOTBALL TEAM TO SUSSEX FINALS @ LANCING 8.15-2.45PM
YEAR 5 CAFÉ ALL WELCOME
LAST AFTER-SCHOOL HOCKEY CLUB FOR AUTUMN TERM

MONDAY 26TH

CLASS 1 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3PM

WEDNESDAY 28TH

CLASS 3 TRIP TO ASHDOWN FOREST
RETURN OF UCKFIELD LATE NIGHT SHOPPING SINGING CONSENT FORMS

THURSDAY 29TH

REV CHRIS ASSEMBLY—ALL WELCOME
CLASS 3 SELECTED PUPILS FOREST SCHOOL

FRIDAY 30TH

MUFTI-DAY FOR PTA CHRISTMAS FAIR HAMPER AND RAFFLE GIFTS
SMOOTHIE FRIDAY 8.30-8.45AM
YEAR 4 CAFÉ ALL WELCOME

DECEMBER

MONDAY 3RD

LAST WEEK OF LUNCHTIME AND AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS (APART FROM ASSA-LED CLUBS, CHESS AND GUITAR)
RAINBOW THEATRE WHOLE SCHOOL PANTOMIME 9-11AM
CLASS 1 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3PM

WEDNESDAY 5TH

PTA WREATH MAKING EVENING WITH FERN COTTAGE FLORISTRY 7PM+

THURSDAY 6TH

CLASS 4 ASSEMBLY—ALL WELCOME
CLASS 3 SELECTED PUPILS FOREST SCHOOL

FRIDAY 7TH

SMOOTHIE FRIDAY 8.30-8.45AM
FILLED POTS TO BE RETURNED FOR PTA CHRISTMAS FAIR
KS1 NATIVITY CLOTHES TO BE BROUGHT IN TO SCHOOL
PUPIL CHRISTMAS LUNCH CHOICES TO BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL OFFICE
DEADLINE FOR RETURN OF CUPS/AWARDS FOR CUP ASSEMBLY
CLASS 4 SENIOR CITIZEN CAFÉ 1.30-3PM
UCKFIELD LATE NIGHT SHOPPING EVENT 5-9PM KS2 TO PERFORM 7.30PM

SATURDAY 8TH

PTA CHRISTMAS FAIR 12-2PM

MONDAY 10TH

CLASS 1 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3PM

THURSDAY 13TH

REV CHRIS ASSEMBLY—ALL WELCOME
CLASS 3 SELECTED PUPILS FOREST SCHOOL
KS2 CAROL SERVICE @ ST THOMAS A BECKET CHURCH, FRAMFIELD
6.30—7.30PM ALL WELCOME

FRIDAY 14TH

HEY EWE! KS1 NATIVITY IN SCHOOL IN HALL GATES OPEN @ 1.40PM FOR A 2—3.30PM PERFORMANCE

MONDAY 17TH

WEAR A CHRISTMAS JUMPER TO SCHOOL DAY IN EXCHANGE FOR £1
WHOLE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS LUNCH IN THE HALL 12—1PM
NO CLASS 1 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3PM

TUESDAY 18TH

KS1 CHRISTMAS PARTY IN THE HALL 1.30—3PM
KS2 CHRISTMAS PARTY IN THE HALL 6—8PM

WEDNESDAY 19TH

LAST DAY OF TERM 2
CUP ASSEMBLY IN THE HALL 2-3PM ALL WELCOME

THURSDAY 20TH
DEC—WEDNESDAY
2ND JAN

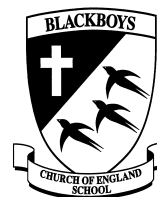
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS!

WE WISH EVERYONE A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

JANUARY

THURSDAY 3RD

RETURN TO SCHOOL FOR START OF TERM 3



Blackboys Newsletter

Friday 23rd November 2018

Christian Value for Term : FELLOWSHIP

Dear Parents / Carers

In assemblies we are focussing on our Christian Value of the term, Fellowship. As part of this we have been talking about how essential it is to be kind in our school community. Some children are struggling with the idea of kindness to others at present, which is entirely outside of our ethos and expectation at Blackboys School.

I would appreciate all parents to spend some time over the weekend discussing the importance of kind words and kind deeds with their children perhaps using these quotes from the bible: In Ephesians Chapter 4 it says *"Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you."* while we can all take comfort from the book of Proverbs, stating *"A man who is kind benefits himself, but a cruel man hurts himself."*

Charity for Term 2

The school council for term 2 have chosen the Diocese Family Support Work as our Charity of the term. The Charity supports children and families through difficult times in their lives including low income and poverty; mental or physical ill health; disability; learning difficulties; school non-attendance and exclusion; bereavement; family break-up and domestic abuse. They help children and parents/carers

to resolve problems, develop confidence and resilience and improve relationships. FSW also provides food parcels, clothing, household goods and help with winter fuel bills where necessary. Their aim is to support parents as they try to ensure that their children have the best start in life - "A strong family for every child in Sussex"

Chess Success

We are delighted to report that both our under 9 and 11 teams came third in the 2018 County chess tournament which took place last weekend at Lancing College. Well done players!



Football Success

Our Under 11 Girls' Football team have had a busy week, playing in two finals. They did particularly well on Wednesday in the North Wealden Finals, coming an impressive joint 2nd place. They are a great team, play for each other and show respect for their opponents. We were pleased to hear that the girls also won the Fair Play award on Wednesday.



Children In Need

We always support this annual event in some way and this year was no exception. Monies raised in our weekly Friday Café last week were sent to the Charity alongside our weekly smoothie Friday profits which totalled £76 Thank you to all who contributed and supported both these events.



Christmas Events

We hope that you will find the school Christmas events calendar useful which has been distributed today. As you will have gathered this term is incredibly busy with various events, a couple of which have further information below:

Late Night Shopping & Singing

On Friday, 07th December, is the Late Night Shopping Extravaganza in Uckfield. Members from our KS2 classes will be on the Uckfield FM stage at 7.30pm singing three songs. We are hoping that as in previous years this will be aired live so if you are unable to make the event in person, don't forget to tune into Uckfield FM to listen to Blackboys sing! Good Luck to all taking part!

Class 4 Senior Citizen Christmas Party

As is annual tradition, Class 4 invite local senior residents to the School for a afternoon of light food, chat and to watch some festive performances. This year, this event is to take place on Friday 07th December. Class 4 Parents/Carers are invited in at normal Café time, 2.40pm to enjoy some of this event alongside our guests. If you are able to make a cake for the party and are happy to drop this in on the morning of Friday 07th, donations would be most welcome.

Hockey Club

Reminder to all Parents/Carers of pupils who take part in after school Hockey club on a Friday that the last Hockey Club of Term 2 is taking place today Friday 23rd November. Hockey Club will re-commence again later in the Spring term 2019.

Takeover Day

As is traditional, today the school was "taken over" as part of The Children's Commissioner's Takeover Day. Mr Willcox and Miss Nicholas took over the running of the school to great acclaim, while Miss Coles kept things running smoothly in the school office. Miss Willcox, Miss Coles, Miss Gavin and Miss Messmer ensured that lunchtime was positive for all. Even Café was "taken over".



A highlight though is to see children lead lessons, with Miss Wright a real success as she taught Class 4 to make decorations and practice their 2d shapes at the same time! Well done everyone.

18/19 Whole School

Attendance

Below you will find a table which details class and overall school attendance from start of academic year up and until and including 09/11/17:

CLASS 1	98.2%
CLASS 2	98.7 %
CLASS 3	98.7%
CLASS 4	98.1%
OVERALL SCHOOL	98.4%

These are great attendance scores. Well done everyone.

Headlice and Health Matters

We seem have a on going problem with headlice across the School. Can we urge all Parents to check their child's hair regularly and treat as necessary.

It is also vitally important that children stay as healthy as possible in the run up to Christmas. With this in mind, staff are regularly reminding children about good hygiene and handwashing. We believe children who have good hygiene habits, and who maintain consistent, regular bedtimes have a greater likelihood of being fit and healthy to enjoy the festivities.

Please can we remind all Parents/ Carers of the 48 hour rule when it comes to sickness/upset tummy. Children who have been unwell need to refrain from School for 48hours (48hours starting from when they were last sick/unwell).

Gold Book Awards for Week Beginning 12th November 2018

Class 1

Elizabeth Mclean- For reading and writing her numbers.

Karina Eldrett- For moving in a creative way.

Nathaniel Fordham- For being positive about his broken arm.

Class 2

William Coppard and Noah Dilley- For fantastic Great Fire of London diary writing.

Lily Kingsbury- For fantastic dance work in PE.

Class 3

Robbie Mclean- For developing his capital letters.

Mischa Floyd- For fantastic column addition and subtraction.

Callum Willcox- For seriously impressing people.

Class 4

Lola Ramel- For building a Viking settlement.

Fletcher Willcox- For writing a really entertaining introduction.

Harry Wickens- For showing great manners and hard work in class.