

## ACADEMIC YEAR 19/20

### MARCH

MONDAY 2ND	PARENTS / CARERS OF YEAR 6 PUPILS TRANSITIONING TO SECONDARY SCHOOL FOR SEPTEMBER '20 START IN YR 7 TO BE NOTIFIED OF SCHOOL ALLOCATION. VIA ESCC. YR 6 AND FF YR 6 TO LONDON FOR HOP TOUR AND LONDON TRIP 9.30AM-8.30PM CLASS 1 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3PM
TUESDAY 3RD	SELECTED YR3/4 PUPILS TAG RUGBY COACHING @ UCKFIELD RUGBY CLUB 3.45-5PM
THURSDAY 5TH	WORLD BOOK DAY - STAFF & PUPILS TO DRESS UP AS THEIR FAVOURITE BOOK CHARACTER! CLASS 4 ACT OF WORSHIP. ALL WELCOME. 9-9.30AM CLASS 4 FOREST SCHOOL FOR SELECTED PUPILS 1-3PM NEW INITIATIVE - BLACKBOYS BOOK SWAP SHOP STALL! 3.15-3.30PM BEDTIME AT BLACKBOYS. CHILDREN TO RETURN TO SCHOOL FOR STAFF LED BEDTIME STORIES, HOT CHOCOLATE AND DRESSED IN PJ'S! 6-7PM
FRIDAY 6TH	SMOOTHIE FRIDAY 8.30-8.45AM ALBION IN THE COMMUNITY U9 MIXED EAST SUSSEX TOURNAMENT - EASTBOURNE BOROUGH FC. 9.30AM-2.30PM YR 4 CAFE. SCHOOL HALL. ALL WELCOME. 2.40-3.10PM PARENTAL / CARER BLACKBOYS BOOK SWAP SHOP STALL - DURING CAFE AND AT PUPIL COLLECTION, EVERY FRIDAY THEREAFTER! 2.45-3.30PM
MON 9TH-FRI 13TH	FEDERATION SCIENCE WEEK
MONDAY 9TH	CLASS 1 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3PM
TUESDAY 10TH	CLASS 1 ACT OF WORSHIP ALL WELCOME. SELECTED PUPILS - YR5/6 TAG RUGBY COACHING @ UCKFIELD RUGBY CLUB 3.45-5PM
THURSDAY 12TH	REV CHRIS LED ACT OF WORSHIP, SCHOOL HALL, ALL WELCOME 9-9.30AM CLASS 4 FOREST SCHOOL FOR SELECTED PUPILS 1-3PM
FRIDAY 13TH	SMOOTHIE FRIDAY 8.30-8.45AM ALBION IN THE COMMUNITY U9 GIRLS EAST SUSSEX TOURNAMENT - EASTBOURNE BOROUGH FC. 9.30AM-2PM SPORTS RELIEF - STAFF vs PUPILS NETBALL MATCH AT 2PM. NO CAFÉ BUT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED FOR A SMALL DONATION TOWARDS SPORTS RELIEF. ALL WELCOME TO WATCH FROM 2.15PM. PARENT/CARER BOOK SWAP SHOP STALL 2.45-3.30PM
MONDAY 16TH	CLASS 1 FOREST SCHOOL 1-3PM
TUESDAY 17TH	SELECTED PUPILS YR3/4 TAG RUGBY COMPETITION @ UCKFIELD RUGBY CLUB 3.45-5.15PM
WEDNESDAY 18TH	CLASS 1 TRIP TO WOODS MILL, HENFIELD 'GREEN MAGIC' 9AM-3PM
THURSDAY 19TH - WEDNESDAY 25TH	SCHOLASTIC TRAVELLING BOOK FAIR AT SCHOOL - JUBILEE BARN IN USE. BOOK FAIR OPEN DAILY AT END OF SCHOOL FROM 3.15-3.30PM TO ENABLE PUPILS WITH PARENTS TO GO ALONG AND PURCHASE A BOOK(S)
THURSDAY 19TH	CLASS 3 ACT OF WORSHIP. ALL WELCOME. 9-9.30AM CLASS 4 FOREST SCHOOL FOR SELECTED PUPILS 1-3PM
FRIDAY 20TH	SMOOTHIE FRIDAY 8.30-8.45AM YR 3 CAFE. SCHOOL HALL. ALL WELCOME. 2.40-3.10PM PARENT/CARER BOOK SWAP SHOP STALL 2.45-3.30PM PTA QUIZ NIGHT 7.30-10PM

### INSET DAYS:

\* Friday 3rd April 2020 \* Monday 01st June 2020 \* Friday 10th July 2020



# Blackboys Newsletter

Friday 28th February 2020

Christian Value for Term : *Respect*

## Dear Parents / Carers

### Miss Cross

These sort of announcements are always a little bittersweet. After 3 hardworking years at Blackboys School, Miss Cross will be leaving us at the end of the academic year to continue her teaching career at Glenleigh Park Primary Academy in Bexhill. Miss Cross joined us straight from university as a Newly Qualified Teacher and has engaged with life at school wholeheartedly, developing her own teaching skills in the process. She will be an asset to her new school. Her calm, considered teaching style will be missed and there will be opportunities to say a more formal goodbye to Miss Cross towards the end of term 6. At this stage though it is important that we congratulate her on her new opportunity. Well done Miss Cross.

Therefore we are currently entering the recruitment process for a new Key Stage 2 teacher to begin with us in September 2020. Our job advert went live on the East Sussex County Council portal today and we will be forwarding the advert to regional Universities too. We will keep you informed as the recruitment process continues and hope to be able to make an appointment by April. If parents have any questions regarding these changes, please do not hesitate to speak to Mr Sullivan.

## Mrs Josling

As many parents will be aware, we have been operating without a school bursar since the illness and subsequent resignation of Mrs Evans in October 2019. However, we are thrilled to announce that just before half term, our staff team was bolstered by the arrival of Mrs Rebecca Josling, our new Bursar. During a robust recruitment process, Mrs Josling impressed with her skills and knowledge having previously worked as secretary/bursar at Five Ashes School. She has settled into the team very quickly, working on Wednesdays and Thursdays. I know that everyone will make her feel welcome to Blackboys School.

At this stage though we must say a big thank you to Mrs Sheffield and Mrs Doherty, supported by Governor Mrs Hawkins, who worked hard helping out in the interim period.

## Christian Value

Parents will be interested to know that our Christian Value of the term, for term 4, is 'Respect'. We have already focussed on the words in Matthew Chapter 7 verse 12. "So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets."

Rev Chris led our assembly yesterday focussing on the important time of Lent.

## Coronavirus

Like all school's Blackboys is following advice from Public Health England, while not wishing to frighten pupils and parents. With no vaccine for Coronavirus (COVID 19) we are following guidance which helps prevent the spread of all respiratory viruses, such as:-

- washing hands often - with soap and water, or use alcohol sanitiser if handwashing facilities are not available.
- encouraging the covering of coughs or sneezes with a tissue, then throwing the tissue in a bin.
- people who feel unwell should stay at home and should not attend work or any education or childcare setting
- pupils, students, staff and visitors should wash their hands (time and encouragement will be given by staff for this):
  - before leaving home
  - on arrival at school
  - after using the toilet
  - after breaks and sporting activities
  - before food preparation
  - before eating any food, including snacks
  - before leaving school
  - use an alcohol-based hand sanitiser that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available.

This will be available on the Year 6 trip to the Houses of Parliament and other trips planned for Term 4.

Mr Sullivan demonstrated and led a discussion on hand washing as part of Monday's Act of Worship. New hand washing posters have been displayed in all the toilets.

Should parents have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Sullivan. Please also find included within the newsletter an additional flyer detailing further information relating to COVID 19.

## World Book Day, 05/03/20

A letter detailing all the exciting plans made for World Book Day, taking place next week, Thursday 05th March was sent out earlier this week. If you need a copy please do not hesitate to contact the School Office for one. Information is of course available via the School Diary located on the homepage of the Blackboys School website.

**Sport Relief,  
Friday 13th  
March**



As is Blackboys tradition we shall be joining in with Sport Relief on Friday 13th March by holding our bi-annual staff v pupils netball match. Parents/Carers are invited to come and support from 2.15pm, with the match taking place on the School playground. There will be no normal café but refreshments will be available to purchase from the small kitchen hatch with proceeds going to Sport Relief. In the event of wet weather we will of course send a ParentMail out informing of any cancellation/postponement.

### **Term 4 Class Act of Worship Dates**

If you haven't already please make a note of the following dates in your diary:

Thursday 05th March—Class 4  
Tuesday 10th March—Class 1  
Thursday 19th March—Class 3

Also please note that the Easter Service will be taking place at our Church, St Thomas á Becket, Framfield on Monday 30th March, starting promptly at 9.00am. Parents / Carers will be able to drop children directly at the Church from 8.30am. Please note that there will be NO breakfast club taking place on Monday 30th March.

Gold Book Awards for W/B  
14/2/20

### Class 1

Jonah Beale: For writing independently in his busy book.  
Bertie Fieldhouse: For putting great effort into his phonics sessions.  
Max Marden: For working hard on writing numbers to 10.

### Class 2

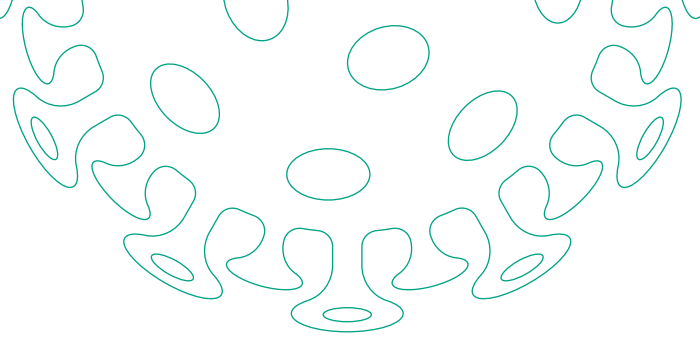
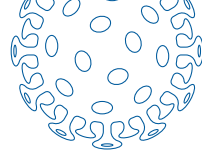
Piers Redman: For trying hard with reasoning questions in Maths.  
Millie Marden: For persevering with her story writing.  
Evie Hayes: For following the story really well in whole class reading.

### Class 3

Ivy Davies: For some excellent reading and writing.  
Robbie Mclean: For improving the accuracy of his work.  
Mischa Floyd: For making good progress with her writing.

### Class 4

Lola Ramel: For putting lots of effort into her learning.  
Dylan Wood: For focussing really hard on his writing.  
Miles Redman: For working hard on his mini-assessments.



# Advice on the coronavirus for places of education

## How serious is the coronavirus?

- it can cause flu-like symptoms, including fever, cough & difficulty breathing
- the infection is not serious for most people, including children
- there is currently no vaccine
- most people get better with enough rest, water to drink and medicine for pain

## How likely are you to catch the virus?

- you can only catch it if you have been close to a person who has the virus
- the chance of being in contact with the virus is currently low in the UK
- if you have travelled to areas where many people are infected, your chance of catching the virus is higher, i.e. China and any affected areas

## How can you stop coronaviruses spreading?

### If you need to cough or sneeze



Catch it with a tissue



Bin it



Kill it by washing your hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser

### You should wash hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser



After breaks & sport activities



Before cooking & eating



On arrival at any childcare or educational setting



After using the toilet



Before leaving home



Try not to touch your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands



Do not share items that come into contact with your mouth such as cups & bottles



If unwell do not share items such as bedding, dishes, pencils & towels



Stop germs spreading with our e-Bug resources on hand and respiratory hygiene lesson plans for KS1, 2 and 3: [campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/schools](https://campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/schools)

## What should you do if you feel unwell?

Keep away from others and stay at home to stop the infection spreading. Avoid public transport if you think you have symptoms of coronavirus. If you become unwell at a place of education, tell a member of staff and let them know if you have travelled to any other countries in the last 14 days.

If your staff member or parent thinks you have symptoms of coronavirus, they should call **NHS 111** for advice. Follow the UK Government advice for childcare or educational settings [gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19](https://gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19). Parents can visit **NHS.UK** to find out more information. Teachers and support staff should follow the UK Government advice.

Staff, students and pupils who have returned from Wuhan and Hubei Province in China should self isolate, and NOT attend education or work for 14 days. See **NHS.UK** for advice on coronavirus.

**If there is an emergency, call 999 immediately**

