



Blackboys Newsletter

Friday 21st March 2025

Christian Value for Term : RESPECT

Dear Parents/Carers,
After some false dawns, it appears that spring has finally sprung and the children are enjoying the warmer weather for PE, clubs and play-times. There are even envious eyes of the school field, which will be used for playtimes when fully dry. The daffodils, such an iconic sign of spring, are surviving nicely in School Lane thanks to the work of our verge protectors and the care of our community. Thank you. Our eyes are now on the Easter Service, details of which are over-leaf.

Respect

As you know, in term 4 we focus on the Christian Value of Respect. Respect is at the heart of our school community, guiding how we treat one another, care for God's creations, and celebrate our differences.

In our daily assemblies and in our classrooms, we explore what it means to show respect—to listen with kindness, speak with honesty, and act with fairness. Matthew Chapter 7 verse 12 teaches us, "Do to others what you would have them do to you", reminding us that respect is about treating everyone with dignity and love.

We encourage our pupils to demonstrate respect in all areas of school life—whether in the classroom, on the playground, or in their friendships. Through stories, role-play, and reflection, children learn that respect builds a strong, inclusive

community where everyone feels valued. We look forward to sharing our continuing journey of respect with you this term!

Netball Triumphs

We are thrilled to celebrate the fantastic achievements of our Year 5/6 and Year 3/4 netball teams in their recent competitive tournaments. All teams showed incredible skill, determination, and sportsmanship, making us immensely proud. Our Year 5/6 team demonstrated outstanding teamwork and resilience, competing against strong opposition with some brilliant results. Meanwhile, our Year 3/4 team showed enthusiasm and great potential, gaining valuable experience and confidence on the court.



A huge thank you to our dedicated coaches, Mrs Sullivan and Maria, whose hard work and encouragement have been instrumental in the teams' success. Their guidance has helped our players develop their skills and teamwork, creating a fantastic sporting environment. Well done to all our players for their commitment and effort!

Whole School Easter Service, Tuesday 01st April, 9.05am
Our annual Easter Service will be taking place at our Church, St Thomas á Becket, Framfield on the morning of Tuesday 01st April.

Please drop your child/children off directly to St Thomas á Becket Church, Framfield on the 01st from 8.30am. Parents are welcome to stay and participate in the service. KS1 will be returning to School via a Coach following the Service. KS2 will 'hike' back to School. Packed lunches will be required! Pupils will also need to bring with them weather appropriate clothes and footwear to change in to following the Service. A bin bag (or similar) should also be brought along to sit on whilst enjoying lunch.

*** REMINDER, THERE WILL BE NO BREAKFAST CLUB RUNNING ON 01/04/25 ***

Last week of lunchtime and after school Clubs

Next week, week commencing 24th March, will be the last week of all lunchtime and after school clubs. A new Summer clubs choice sign up sheet and return to School Summer term letter will be distributed during the first few days back to School post Easter break.

Please note clubs will not recommence until week commencing Monday 28th April. Wrap around care (breakfast and after school clubs) will continue to run as normal.

If you require the wrap around care facilities please remember to book your child a place (ideally with 24hours notice) due to popularity and need for the provision places cannot be guaranteed.

End of Term Cup Assembly

Our end of term cup assembly will be taking place in the School Hall on the last day of Spring Term, Friday 04th April at 2pm. Should your child be a recipient of an award which will be presented during cup assembly, a ParentMail email will be sent on Monday 31st March informing you that this is the case, please keep this as a surprise for your child. If your child was a recipient of an award given at the end of term Autumn Cup Assembly, please return it to the School Office at the very latest by Monday 31st March, thank you.

Return post Easter Break

We shall return to School following the Easter Break on Tuesday 22nd April 2025. During the Easter break, Wednesday 16th April, Parents/Carers of Year R September '25 starters will be notified of their child's allocation of primary School and we are looking forward to welcoming new families to our School community.

PTA Quiz

Thank you to all those who supported last Friday's PTA Quiz night. It was brilliant to see so many people in attendance. A fun filled evening was had by all as well as raising monies for the PTA. Extended thanks must go to quizmasters Darren, Lynda and Alice Lynch for being incredible hosts and question setters!

Thank you to the PTA for their organisation and super tasty chilli con carnes.

Wrap-around care.

We are aware of how challenging it is to make contact with our wraparound care leaders when picking up and dropping off. Despite best efforts with various door bells, we have now employed a walkie talkie system in a water-proof box down by the main pedestrian gate. Please walkie talkie through and a member of staff will be aware that you are there. For walkie talkie connoisseurs, the channel we use for wrap around care is channel 4.

Staff kits

Staff are delighted with their new PE kits, ensuring our staff look smart, professional and 'on brand' for PE and sports lessons/clubs. A huge thank you to friends of the school UK Facilities for sponsoring the kit.



Gold Book Awards for week beginning 17th March

Class 1

Levi C - for his amazing work in Maths, great work with comparing the weight of objects.
Hazel MC - for her lovely ideas when we were writing our Class Easter Prayer.
Toby P - for his great work in Maths when we were finding 'doubles'.

Class 2

Erin G - for excellent focus and learning in Maths, especially on multiplication and division.
Ivy H - for a great first week at Blackboys, especially as it was Assessment Week!
Molly B - for really supporting her group in Technology Safari.

Class 3

George C - for his super concentration and positivity during his assessments.
Aggie T - for all her ideas about what was found in Tutankhamun's tomb using images and her own research!
Oscar M - for always being engaged and ready to learn.

Class 4

Benjy C - for excellent effort with his assessments this week, which really paid off with some great scores.
Ida O - for an impressive score of 27/30 in her arithmetic paper.
Sylvie C - for showing an excellent understanding of the circulatory system in our end of unit quiz.

Class 5

Harrison B - for scoring 100% on every single assessment paper this week.
Alex G - for showing great effort this week, with a great score in reading.
Max M - for great results and effort across the board this week.

ACADEMIC YEAR 24/25

MARCH

MONDAY 24TH - FRIDAY 28TH	LAST WEEK OF LUNCHTIME AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS
MONDAY 24TH	CLASS 4/5 MAYAN WORKSHOP DAY IN SCHOOL CLASS 1 FOREST SCHOOL - BY ROTA 1-3.15PM
TUESDAY 25TH	YEAR 6 DEADLINE FOR RETURN OF COLLECTIVE PASSPORT DETAILS 5 X SELECTED YEAR 3/4 PUPILS DANCE FESTIVAL @ UCKFIELD COLLEGE DANCE STUDIO 3.30-5.15PM
THURSDAY 27TH	INDIVIDUAL PUPIL INVITED - CROSS COUNTRY FINALS CRAWLEY RUGBY CLUB CLASS 4 LED ACT OF WORSHIP 9-9.30AM CLASS 5 FOREST SCHOOL - BY ROTA 1-3.15PM
FRIDAY 28TH	10 X YR 3 PUPILS READING TO 'YOUNG AT HEART' GROUP HEATHFIELD CRICKET CLUB 1.15-3.15PM BLACKBOYS BABIES GROUP, SCHOOL HALL 2-3PM CUPCAKE SALE LED BY YOUNG AT HEART PUPILS IN AID OF ALZHEIMERS & PARKINSONS CHARITY 3.15-3.45PM
MONDAY 31ST	PUPILS TO BE AWARDED A CUP/AWARD DURING SPRING TERM CUP ASSEMBLY PARENTS/CARERS TO BE INFORMED BY THE END OF THE DAY TODAY VIA PARENTMAIL EMAIL DEADLINE FOR CUPS/AWARDS FROM LAST CUP ASSEMBLY TO BE RETURNED TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY DEADLINE FOR SCHOOL COUNCIL EGG COMP ENTRIES TO SCHOOL OFFICE BY CLASS 1 FOREST SCHOOL - BY ROTA 1-3.15PM

APRIL

TUESDAY 1ST	NO BREAKFAST CLUB WHOLE SCHOOL EASTER SERVICE AT FRAMFIELD CHURCH, ST THOMAS A BECKET. CHILDREN CAN BE DROPPED FROM 8.30AM. SERVICE STARTS AT 9AM. KS2 HIKE BACK (PACKED LUNCH AND A CHANGE OF CLOTHES / FOOTWEAR REQUIRED) - KS1 WILL GET THE COACH BACK.
THURSDAY 3RD	CLASS 1 LED ACT OF WORSHIP 9 - 9.30AM CLASS 5 FOREST SCHOOL - BY ROTA 1-3.15PM
FRIDAY 4TH	LAST DAY OF TERM 4 WHOLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTED YEAR 4/5 PUPILS 2ND PGL PAYMENT DUE TO SCHOOL OFFICE BY END OF TERM CUP ASSEMBLY, SCHOOL HALL 2-3PM
7TH - 21ST	EASTER HOLIDAYS
MONDAY 7TH	MISS ZARA EASTER HOLIDAY DANCE CLUB 9.30AM-3.30PM
TUESDAY 15TH	MISS ZARA EASTER HOLIDAY DANCE CLUB 9.30AM-3.30PM
WEDNESDAY 16TH	YEAR R NATIONAL OFFER DAY FOR PLACES IN SEPT YR R 2025
TUESDAY 22ND	FIRST DAY OF TERM 5 SUMMER CLUBS CHOICES AND WELCOME BACK LETTER DISTRIBUTED
THURSDAY 24TH	CLASS 2 FOREST SCHOOL - BY ROTA 1-3.15PM
FRIDAY 25TH	BLACKBOYS BABIES GROUP, SCHOOL HALL 2-3PM

24/25 Dates for your diary

If you take a look at the homepage of our Blackboys website, you will find that School 'main' events like Spring Term Parents Evenings, Tempest Photos (for 2025!) and even Sports Day are already confirmed for 24/25. You can click through week by week to see what is planned.

Inset Days 24 25:

Monday 21st July 2025 *Tuesday 22nd July 2025*