



# Blackawton Primary School Weekly News



Contact us: [parent@blackawtonprimary.org.uk](mailto:parent@blackawtonprimary.org.uk)  
Please talk to us about any issues or make an appointment.

27th September 2019

## Weekly Attendance Per Class for 23rd to 27th September 2019

Class 1 95.26%, Class 2 97.78%, Class 3 95.71% Class 4 98.46%, Class 5 95.16%

**Our Attendance Target is 96%**

Team Active & Independent are the winners this week with 98.46%

## Make a Difference Day

Thank you to all the children, staff and parent volunteers who came in yesterday to help out with the "Make a Difference Day". The school environment has had a fabulous facelift with the flower pots rejuvenated, the playground areas painted, tidied and swept, the garden weeded and planted up, and the running track laid with fresh bark. Children also went out into the village to unblock drains, weed and clean around the War Memorial, wash the phone box as well as scrub in the road signs. Thank you for the donations of plants and the loan of tools. This yearly event helps the children appreciate and feel proud of their school and the village community. Article 29 (Goal of Education) states that "Education must encourage the child's respect for human rights, as well as respect for their parents, their own and other cultures, and the environment;" days like these help us to maintain our Gold Standard as a Rights Respecting School.

Our next Community Event will be the Big Soup share on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October when family are welcome to join us for lunch – on the field if the weather permits.



<b>What's On</b>				
<b>When</b>	<b>What</b>	<b>Who</b>	<b>Where</b>	<b>Cost</b>
<b>1st October</b>	FOBS AGM	All Parents	School Hall	
<b>2nd October</b>	Open Classrooms	All Classes	Afternoon	
<b>9th October</b>	Junior Life Skills	Year 6	Dartmouth Leisure Centre	
<b>9th October</b>	Big Soup Share	All Pupils, parents and community	School Field/hall	
<b>10th October</b>	Tempest Photos	Individual Pupils/families	School Hall from 9.00am	
<b>11th October</b>	Harvest Festival	Pupils and Parents	Blackawton Church	
<b>15th October</b>	Farmwise Trip	Classes 4 & 5	Westpoint Exeter	£7.50
<b>15th October</b>	Devon Wildlife Champions Trip	10 children from Class 2	Slapton	
<b>17th October</b>	Dart Food Festival	Year 3	Dartmouth	
<b>18th October</b>	Non Pupil Day			
<b>21st to 25th October</b>	Half-term	All Pupils		
<b>29th October</b>	Theatre Alibi 'I believe in Unicorns'	All Classes	School Hall	£4.50
<b>5th &amp; 6th November</b>	Parent/teacher Evening	All Classes	In School	
<b>20th November</b>	Cinema Trip	Classes 2, 3, 4, 5	Barn Theatre, Dartington	£4.50
<b>5th December</b>	Elves & Shoemaker	Foundation children	Theatre Royal, Plymouth	£15.50
<b>6th December</b>	Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra	Classes 4 & 5	Exeter University	£7.50

**Reminder** that we are a Nut & Kiwi Free school as we have pupils with severe allergies to both.

Please be mindful of what food you send in to school in lunchboxes etc.



## Changes to Prices for September

**School Meals £2.45**

**Nursery Meals £1.70**

**Breakfast Club £4.00**

**After School Club £6.00 (until 4.30pm), £8.00 (until 5.30pm)**

### **Autumn Term Clubs**

#### **Monday**

Football with Matt Jefferies. £4.00 per session. Starting on Monday 16th Sept. Please book direct using information sent via e-mail.

#### **Tuesday**

Writing Ambassadors with Mrs Buckle, lunchtime

#### **Wednesday**

Gardening Club with Mrs Burriss, 3.20 - 4.30pm, all ages

Reading Club with Mrs Llewellyn & Andrea, 3.20 - 4.15pm, all ages

Global Citizens with Mrs Buckle, 3.20 - 4.30pm Year 6

Warhammer with Tom Wildwoode, 3.20 - 4.30pm, all ages

#### **Thursday**

Music Club with Tiggy Saint, 3.20 - 4.30 in Class 5. KS2. £20 per half-term

Sports Club with Mr Sullivan, 3.20 - 4.15pm. KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5, 6)

#### SCHOOL LUNCHES



We will be on Week 2 of the Autumn Menu next week

**The FOBS AGM will take  
place on  
Tuesday 1st October  
7.30pm  
School Hall**

## Open Classrooms

Next Wednesday afternoon is Open Classrooms – please drop in any time between 1.30 and 2.30pm and join in with your child's learning.

For parents of children in Class 1 you may need wellies and waterproofs as we will be at Forest School!

OUTDOOR  
CLASSROOM



## Reading at Blackawton

Thank you to Andrea who is now opening up the library Monday to Thursday at 8.30 am so that you can come into school and read with your child or change a reading book. There are iPads available so that children can "quiz." After school Reading Club is on Wednesdays.

"A BOOK IS LIKE  
A GARDEN  
CARRIED IN  
A POCKET."

— An Ancient Chinese Proverb —



## SEND Signpost

If your child has been identified as SEND and is receiving extra support in school, you will soon be receiving a questionnaire – please look out for this in your emails. Your feedback is very important and helps us to improve; we are grateful to all those who take the time to complete this for us.

### Family Support - FOR ALL FAMILIES

#### HAPPY FAMILIES, HAPPY FUTURES

The Happy Families, Happy Futures programme is designed to improve communication and ease tension between parents or carers, supporting a happy environment for their children.

The support is available for parents who are in a relationship or separated and includes step-parents, adoptive parents and those who have caring responsibilities for children, e.g. grandparents and other individuals where there is a Residence Order. Expecting parents who are separated can also access support.

We offer 4 types of interventions depending on the family's individual circumstances:

#### **Family Transitions Triple P is for:**

- \* separated parents or those going through divorce/separation
- \* expecting parents

#### **Incredible Years Advance is for:**

- \* parents in a relationship
- \* parents with a child aged 4 – 12 years

#### **Within My Reach is for:**

- \* separated parents
- \* expecting parents

#### **Family Check-Up – Available from August 2019 – is for:**

- \* parents in a relationship and separated parents
- \* parents with children aged 2 – 17 years

Please speak to us if you feel this may be of benefit to your family and would like further information.

We can answer your questions, explain the process and make a referral to this new, free project.



**Emily Risby & Sarah Simnett**



## Race night

An evening of horse racing fun  
to raise money for Blackawton Fireworks  
hosted by Mark Leetham (Dr. Property)

**FRIDAY OCTOBER 4th**

**At the George Inn**

**The fun starts at 7pm**

Bring loads of cash  
Make some money for yourself and for Fireworks!



FRIENDS OF BLACKAWTON SCHOOL (FOBS)

# AGM

Annual General Meeting

**Everyone is welcome.**

**Stay informed and get involved.**

Free homemade food and drinks provided  
Welcome introduction by our new Head of School Rachel Burris

**Blackawton School Hall**  
**Tuesday 01 October 2019 at 19.30**



**Parentkind**  
Member Association