The Blue Letter: 14th January 2022



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your continued support in spotting symptoms of Covid and testing your children and keeping them off school. From Tuesday 11th, it is no longer necessary to get a confirmatory PCR if you or your child tests positive on Lateral Flow Test and there are no Covid symptoms. If there are any Covid symptoms, a PCR test should be used and not a Lateral Flow Test.

If your child isn't in school please contact the office and let them know. This includes any medical appointments. Verbal messages passed via the class teacher or Mrs Dommett don't always make it to the office, especially if something else happens between you telling them and them being able to speak to the office. You can ring 01243 773309 or email office@boxgrove.w-sussex.sch.uk

There are two after school clubs available for children in years One to Six. There is a Hockey Club on Mondays and Fencing on a Tuesday. If there isn't any more interest in the Hockey Club it is unlikely to run. You can book on the JC Sports website. https://ic-sportsonline.class4kids.co.uk/ If there is a particular club or sport that your children are interested in, that we might be able to arrange, please let us know.

The St Blaise Fair is a fundraising event that takes place in the Church on Saturday 5th February. The proceeds of the fair go to Kwa Mkono Children's Hospital. In the past the PTFA have supported this event by running a stall with a few games. The profits from this stall are shared between the children's hospital and the PTFA. We are looking for someone who can organise a stall for us and helpers for the day. If you can help, please speak to either Georgie Newman (Lucas and Hugo's Mum) or Mrs Dommett.

Next Week in School

Monday 17th January	Hockey Club 3.15- 4.15pm
Tuesday 18th January	Owl Class PE Fencing Club 3.15pm-4.15pm
Wednesday 19th January	Fox Class PE
Thursday 20th January	Swimming for Owl and Fox Class Squirrel Class PE
Friday 21st January	Squirrel Class PE

Weetabix Wildcats - Girls Football

Are you looking for a fun way for girls 5-11 to get involved with football? Then look no further! Weetabix Wildcats is the place to be, everyone is super awesome; from the friends you'll meet to The FA qualified coaches and volunteers who deliver the sessions.

So, what is Weetabix Wildcats? Well, it's non-competitive football for girls who want to give it a go for the very first time or want to play with other girls their own age. Most importantly, Weetabix Wildcats is all about having loads of fun and meeting new amazing friends.



Love the sound of Weetabix Wildcats? A local session is held in Bognor on a Monday. More details are available here: https://find.englandfootball.com/venue/193123545024

Start of the School day

The school gates open at 8.35am and the school learning day starts at 8.50am when the gates are closed, although there are start of the day activities for children to do as they arrive in class. If your child arrives at school as the gate is closing they, still need to get into class and put their things away before they can join their class. Individual missed minutes add up over the school year for example:

5 minutes late each day = 3 days lost across a school year 10 minutes late each day = 6.5 days lost across a school year 15 minutes late each day = 10 days lost across a school year 20 minutes late each day = 13 days lost across a school year 30 minutes late each day = 19 days lost across a school year

Don't let your child miss out! What you can do:

- Have a regular routine for the start of each day.
- Help your child get their clothes and equipment ready before they go to bed.
- Set a reasonable bed time to make sure they get enough sleep.

Get your child to school on time. If they are late they have a bad start to the day.

If your child arrives late for class:

- They miss out on important learning, which could effect their achievement.
- They don't have the social time to settle into class.
- It can be embarrassing for them.
- They may disrupt the learning of the rest of the class.

http://www.boxgrove.w-sussex.sch.uk/web

Fox Class

Fox Class have been creating paper straw collages of Mount Olympus. They have also been writing character descriptions of Hades.



A Message from Fr Ian

Fr Ian has received a letter from a parent that he would like to respond to. Any matter discussed with him is treated in confidence and is dealt with discreetly. Please do get in touch with him.

Pancake Day lunch Menu



Outdoor learning

This week we made hot chocolate with water that had been boiled in the kettle on the fire and hot chocolate powder. We lit our own tiny fires using a fire steel - it wasn't easy! We searched for insects and leaves. - *Mason and Freya*







There is no outdoor learning for Year 3 next week.

The remaining sessions are on 27th January, 3rd, 10th and 17th February.

Achievers

Well done to all our achievers this week:





Squirrel Class: Molly, Sienna, Aubrey

Fox Class: Bella, Elsie, Gully

Owl Class: Leon, Eloi, Max, Leo