# The Blue Letter: 25th June 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been really lucky over this academic year with very few cases of Covid-19 amongst our families, with only one bubble needing to be sent home because of a case in school. The increase in cases has meant two members of staff have had to isolate recently as close contacts. We really appreciate your support in being vigilant with spotting potential cases among your family, keeping your children off school and arranging PCR tests. It continues to be important that you are then able to notify us of the results as soon as you get it. If your child has any of the symptoms you should book a PCR test rather than use a lateral flow test as these are designed for use with those who are not showing symptoms and are not recommended for primary aged children. School staff continue to take lateral flow tests twice a week and these are now available for any adult to take to. Your support with this will hopefully ensure a smooth end to the school year without the need to send home any classes for isolation.

If your child is in the current reception year or year one and you don't want them to have school meals in September, please email the <u>office</u> and let them know. If your child is currently in year 2 and you would like them to continue to have school meals in September you will need to book and pay for these via the website <a href="https://westsussex.mealselector.co.uk/">https://westsussex.mealselector.co.uk/</a>

#### **Dates**

Below are some dates of events for the end of this term and the start of the autumn term.

Wednesday 7th July - new reception children outdoor visit

<u>Tuesday 13th July</u> - sports day. We are sorry that we are not able to invite parents to join us for sports day this year. Please send your child to school in their PE kit.

Wednesday 14th July new reception children outdoor visit

Wednesday 21st July time in new classes (if restrictions allow)

<u>Wednesday 21st July year 6 BBQ 5pm-7pm.</u> We will provide them with food and drink. They can bring their bikes to this if they would like.

Thursday 22nd July 2.00pm Leavers' Service at the Priory. We are able to invite two parents to attend with each year 6 child. The service will be live streamed on the Boxgrove Priory Facebook page. This is a public account, so we do need your permission for the children to take part. If you are not happy for this, they will be seated where they cannot be seen by the camera and will not be able to take an active part in the service. Please let us know if you don't give permission for your child to take part in this way. We encourage other family members to log into Facebook to watch this and the rest of the school will be watching from their classrooms.

Friday 23rd July last day of term

Thursday 2nd September INSET day

Friday 3rd September INSET day

Monday 6th September first day of term for years 1-6

Tuesday 7th September first day of term for new reception children 9.15am

## **Year 6 Outdoor learning**

This week we tried nettle tea made on the fire which I lit with Lacey. The tea was made with nettles that we had hand picked! It tasted just like boiling water, next time we need to add more leaves. We used a saw horse and bow saw to saw the logs for the fire. We made bunting by picking flowers and placing them between the cloth for the bunting and bashed them with

hammer or a rock. This leaves the imprint of the flower on the cloth. - *Hazel* 







### **Oakley**

This week Oakley was able to spend some time playing with children from Squirrel Class. He really enjoyed a visit from Kaiden for a tummy rub!



### **Collective Worship**

This week we have been learning about The Armour of God that Paul used to demonstrate how to fight for what is true and right.

Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Ephesians 6 v 14-17



#### **Achievers**

Well done to all our achievers this week:



<u>Squirrel Class</u>: Well done to Freddie, Kaiden, Izy, Annabelle, Ferne and Isla

Fox Class: Well done to Bella, Michael and Millie



Owl Class: Well done to Oscar, Eliza, Max and Archie