

NEWSLETTER

Blackwell First School – Purple Class



Welcome back to the final half term of the year. I have loved working with your children and I am really looking forward to ending the year on a high with two exciting topics called 'Back in Time' and 'Amazing Earth'. Last half term saw the children enjoy trips to Worcester Cathedral and Charford First School for a science event as well as Sports Day. This half term, we have many more exciting opportunities planned including a History Trip and the chance to perform our Suffragette dance at the Worcestershire School Games in July. We will also be busy preparing for our class assembly and we look forward to sharing this with you in a few weeks.

TOPIC

We begin this half term with our new topic 'Back in Time'. During our topic introduction day, we worked to answer the following question: 'Should museums house artefacts from around the world?'

History and DT are the focus subjects for this topic.

In History, the children will find out what schools, including BFS were like during the Victorian times.

In DT, the children will learn a range of sewing skills.

Music, Computing, PE, PSHE and Philosophy are taught throughout the year. The school website has information about these subjects in the 'Curriculum area'.

During the final 3 weeks of this half term, we will enjoy a topic all about our 'Amazing Earth' where Science and Art will be the focus foundation subjects.

BITS AND PIECES

FOREST SCHOOL DAYS

Group 1 – Friday

Group 2 – Wednesday

Group 3 – Tuesday

(Please see Parent App for the group lists.)

Please send your child in wearing plain, dark jogging bottoms/leggings and their arms covered on these days. **If it is a particularly warm day, we are happy for the children to change into this later in the day.**

PE

PE is usually outdoors every Monday this half term.

Please make sure your child has **trainers** as part of their PE kits. Long hair must be tied up and earrings removed on these days.

SUFFRAGETTE COSTUMES

With the Worcestershire School Games approaching, please send your child's dance costumes into school in a named bag by no later than **Friday 27th June**.

WARMER WEATHER

Now that the weather is improving, please ensure your child has a sunhat in school every day. If you are able to, please also apply sun cream before school, thank you.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2.6.25 – Half term begins

23.6.5 – Trip to the Black Country Museum

26.6.25 at 8:45am – Family Assembly

1.7.25 – Trip to Worcestershire School Games

4.7.25 – Change the Rules Day

17.7.25 – New to Year 3/4 Parent Meeting

18.7.25 – Last Day of Term

ENGLISH

We are going to be exploring our literacy learning based around the 'Little People, Big Dreams' book about Maria Montessori.

The text links to the children's learning about schools, supporting their historical understanding well.

Spelling, handwriting and discrete reading sessions will continue.

MATHS

End of year expectations for mental maths include being able to recall 2, 5 and 10 times tables and division facts, find doubles and near doubles to 20 + 20, recall half of even numbers up to 40, + and – 9 from a 2 digit number, order numbers from 0-100 and use < and > signs when comparing them, recognising odd and even numbers, + and – two 2 digit numbers and partitioning numbers in different ways. Please continue to practise these at home to develop the children's rapid recall.

In our daily main maths lessons, we will begin by learning about measurement, including money, length, mass, volume and capacity. We will continue to apply new learning to solve problems.

THANK YOU

As we approach the end of the academic year, I want to thank you all for your support.

I have enjoyed working with you and your children this year and wish you a restful summer.



Some photographs from our Science Day at CFS and our trip to Worcester Cathedral.

If there is anything you wish to ask about, please come and speak to me at the end of the day or send an email to office@blackwell.worcs.sch.uk

Many thanks as always for your ongoing support,
Miss Bailey and the Purple Class Team