

**Autumn Term  
Week 3**

**21st Sept 2018**

# NEWS



Dear Parents and Guardians,

It has been wonderful to welcome our new Nursery children in to school this week. They have settled well, and have enjoyed the great variety of activities provided for them. Mrs Steed and Miss Godfrey have enjoyed getting to know them too!

We have also welcomed a new member of staff to our school. Mrs Clare Semple has become our Special Needs co-ordinator; she will be present in school for one afternoon every week, usually on Tuesdays. Please let me know if you would like to meet her and we can arrange an appointment.

### After-School Club

For various reasons we are having to make a small change to the timings of our After-school provision. This will be available until 5.15pm on Mondays and Tuesdays, but only until 4.15pm on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

After half-term, we are hoping to run an after-school sports club, on a Thursday. This will be led by an Arena Coach and will take place until 4.15pm.

We would love to offer more clubs—if you are willing to help, please let us know!

### Attendance

Nessa: 96%

Kensa: 95%

Whole school: 95.9%

As I'm sure you know, pupils need to attend school regularly to benefit from their education. Missing out on lessons leaves children vulnerable to falling behind.

### BBC TV Filming

**We are looking forward to welcoming the BBC in to school on Monday to film the launch of a Story telling project a letter has been sent out with your child this evening for further details. Please send the slip back with your children on Monday morning, if you wish them to be included.**

### School Uniform update

The new uniform supplier is hoping to provide some samples of the new jumper, cardigan and fleece over the next couple of weeks.

. We will also get a price list as soon as possible. Please come in and have a look. If you have any queries about this please speak to Mrs Godfrey or Mrs Hawker.

### PE Kit

**Teachers are finding that some children still do not have PE kits in school on the correct day. Please could you ensure these are provided for next week. Not having the right kit makes it difficult for children to make the most of the great opportunities offered for physical activity. PE kits can be left in school all week, and if not dirty, can be kept on their pegs until half-term.**

### **Stars of the Week:**

**Kensa Class: Lilly—for being very focused on her work all week.**

**Nessa Class: Byron—for working really hard all week.**

### Breakfast Club and After School Child Care Club

Breakfast Club and After School club are available every day. Please ensure that you book this [the week before you need it](#). All information regarding these clubs is on the school website.

If your child is attending breakfast club please ensure that they are in school by 8.15am if they wish to have a breakfast as we are unable to provide breakfast after this time.

Please be aware that any cancellations must be given at least 48 hours in advance or unfortunately we will have to charge for the full session due to arranging staffing and purchasing food for these clubs.

This is due to ensuring staff costs are covered. Thanks for your understanding. In addition to this, please could we ask that you collect your child at the agreed time.

Many thanks for your co-operation.

### Family holidays and days out

Please do not book family holidays in term time. The school now has a policy of enforcing this very strictly, in accordance with government rules. If this is done without consultation with the school, you could be fined for unauthorised absence.

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### Executive Headteacher

Mrs Rebecca Barker-Brown is our Executive Headteacher from September 2018.

### Harvest Festival

**Our Harvest Festival will take place in Blisland church on Wednesday 3rd October at 2pm. We are hoping to have an auction of produce afterwards, to raise money for the school PTA. Please could you bring donations of vegetable and fruit boxes, flowers, cakes or any other suitable items for auction, to school in the week beginning 1st October. If you are unable to attend, the children will be collected from the church after the service.**



### Safeguarding

All staff at Blisland school take their safeguarding responsibilities very seriously. All staff and volunteers have recently updated their Tier 2 Safeguarding training, and Mrs Hawker will be attending 'Prevent' and 'Internet Safety' information sessions this half-term. Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns regarding safeguarding.

### Visible Learning

Children can request stickers if they have think they have shown these learning behaviours:

#### **A good learner :**

Perseveres – doesn't give up – tries hard



Is motivated and curious – asks questions



Understands what they are learning



Knows what to do when they are stuck

stuck

Focuses and Notices



Collaborates with others



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| Tuesday   | 25th September           | Phonics information meeting for Reception and EYFS parents  | 2.30pm         |
| Friday    | 28th September           | School Council and Celebration Assembly for Year 4 (parents of these children are invited to attend)    | 2.45pm         |
| Wednesday | 3rd October              | Harvest Festival at the Church—all welcome  | 2pm            |
| Friday    | 5th October              | School Council and Celebration Assembly for Year 3 (parents of these children are invited to attend)    | 2.45pm         |
| Friday    | 12th October             | School Council and Celebration Assembly for Year 2 (parents of these children are invited to attend)    | 2.45pm         |
| Friday    | 19th October             | School Council and Celebration Assembly for Year 1 (parents of these children are invited to attend)    | 2.45pm         |
| Monday    | 22nd October             | Half term   |                |
| Monday    | 29th October             | Inset Day   |                |
| Friday    | 2nd November             | School Council and Celebration Assembly for Reception (parents of these children are invited to attend) |                |
| Monday    | 5th November             | School photos—children with siblings at 8.30am and portraits at 9am                                     | 8.30am and 9am |
| Friday    | 16th November            | NHS—Nasal flu   | 9am            |
| Friday    | 14th December            | Christmas Nativity Play and Carol Service   | 5pm            |
| Thursday  | 20th December            | Last day of term  |                |
| Thursday  | 7th February             | KS2 trip to the Theatre Royal to see Matilda  | pm             |
| Monday    | 11th March to 13th March | KS2 Residential trip to Bristol   |                |
| Monday    | 29th April               | Swimming until the 15th July  |                |

## DIARY DATES

### Inset Days 2018-19

**Monday 29th October 2018**

**Monday 25th February 2019**

**Friday 7th June 2019**

**Thursday 25th July 2019**

### School Times

Please ensure that your children arrive at school for registration between 8.40am and 9am and are collected at 3.15pm unless they are registered at an after school club.

**School doors open at 8.40am unless your child is booked into Breakfast Club.**

All children in the Infant class must be brought into the classroom in the mornings, even if they are late. Children of this age must never be dropped at the gate on their own. Please walk up the steps and bring

# Blisland Primary Academy Parent Teachers Friends Association

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Blisland PTFA members and parents would like to say a big *Thank You*, to our previous treasurer Mrs Pengelly. Thank you for your professional support and commitment this year. *Mrs Pengelly is both passionate and kind; this is always encouraged.*

Are you interested in our treasury position and would positively help the education of our pupils within our school and the wider community. Please hand in a written application to Mrs Hawker before Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October. The applicant with the majority of votes will take this position. All applicants must attend our next PTFA meeting where votes will take place. The treasurer's roles and responsibilities can be collected from Mrs Godfrey's office at any time. Remember our most important objective is developing effective relationships between the staff, parents and helping to welcome everyone associated with our school.

It is crucial that we can overcome challenges and work positive in solving issues quickly and efficiently. We have a strong caring committee team and look forward to your collaboration with us.

Every parent matters.

## PTA Notices

Harvest Festival on the 3rd October at Blisland Church.

Auction of produce to raise money for [Www.emmaus.org.uk](http://www.emmaus.org.uk). A Uk based Charity that Key Stage 2 will be doing a presentation in the Church.

All are welcome, bring friends and family!!

Help needed for setting up and clearing away.

Also donations of produce would be gratefully received.

Please see Mrs Rundle for more details or for offering any help.