

**Autumn Term
Week 6**

**12th October
2018**

NEWS



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for coming to the Harvest festival and auction last week; it was a great success! Thank you also for supporting such a good cause. We raised over £200 for the Emmaus charity. I was really impressed by the children's confident presentation—I learned a great deal about this charity—I hope you did too! The singing was also wonderful and created a wonderful atmosphere for the service. The members of the PTFA, who organized the auction also did a fantastic job.

I have spent some time over the past ten days talking with the children about their learning. Kensa class have been learning to re-write the story of Goldilocks, and Nessa class are learning about the legend of 'King Arthur', relating this to planning their 'urgent message' stories, for the Trafalgar Way competition. Don't forget to ask them about their learning, and how they are using the 'good learning dispositions' on the next page!

Best wishes, Sarah Hawker

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!

Stars of the Week:

Kensa Class: Jenson for fabulous ideas

Nessa Class: Alina for working hard

PTFA

The PTFA will be having a meeting after half-term to plan some exciting Christmas events. They would like to hold a Christmas party with entertainment this year. Although there will not be a Halloween party this year, there will be plenty to look forward to!

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.

Executive Headteacher

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

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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.

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.

Christmas Performance

All the children will be working together on our Christmas performance, which will take place in the church this year. The Christmas story will be acted by the younger children, with reading, carols and Christmas songs from the older children. This is timed to lead into community carol singing on the Village Green afterwards. Please invite any friends, relations and community members to come along and join us.

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.

Trips and Treats

The Key Stage Two children will be attending the Theatre Royal production of 'Matilda' on 7th February. This is a change from the usual Pantomime trip. Key Stage One children in Kensa will be going to see 'The Gingerbread Man', in January, and nursery and Reception will be going to a Christmas activity day at Bedruthan Steps.

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

Focuses and Notices

Collaborates with others



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	
Wednesday	31st October	Year 5—Junior Life Skills—packed lunch needed	
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
Thursday	22nd October	Hearing tests for Year 1	1pm
Wednesday	12th December	Caterlink Christmas Lunch	12pm
Thursday	13th December	Parents to drop children at Blisland Church at 9am for a practice	9am
Friday	14th December	Christmas Nativity Play in the church followed by Carols around the tree	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