



Letter from the Headteacher

I feel I need to start the newsletter with an apology to Ben, our wonderful sport apprentice.

Ben undertook to organise every last part of the sports day. The only part I got involved in was the debacle of a start for the round the green race.

To compound matters I then sent the children in quickly due to the imminence of lunch without publicly thanking and congratulating Ben for a really well run sports day. I would like to rectify this now.

Ben has made a huge difference to our school. He is so popular with the children and always provides them with great experiences and well thought out clubs. Thank you Ben for organising a wonderful morning, blessed with superb weather!

We are coming towards the end of the year. We are busy compiling reports. These have been changed in consultation with parents from the Friends. They are now more succinct and hopefully informative.

There is also a new National Curriculum so levels have been dispensed with and we are working with a system where we report how well children have achieved relative to the expectations of the new curriculum and each child's year group. We do hope you find them meaningful and helpful, which after all is the reason for reports.

Finally I would like to welcome Rev Stephen Burrows to our village as the new vicar. I hope that we can have as positive a relationship as we did with Rev Anne. I will be asking whether it is possible to arrange a church leaver service and will let you know if we do manage this.

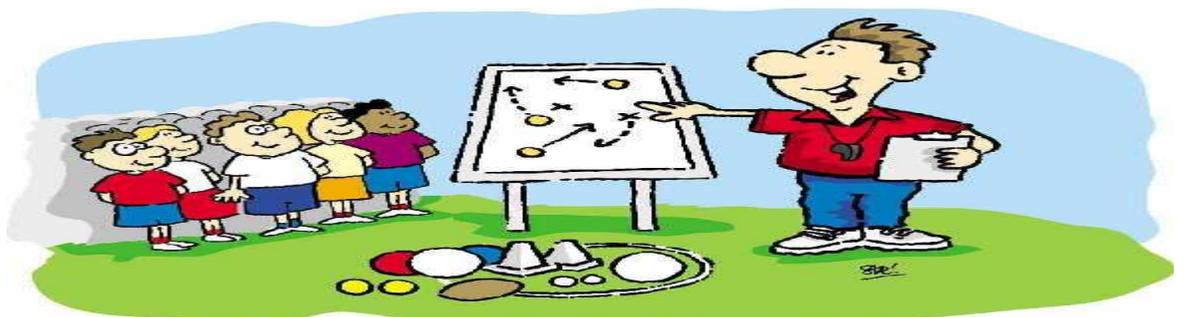


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I will be accompanying Kim Bastin and Ginny Griffiths taking a group of 13 year 6 children to Romania next month for a drama camp in the Carpathian mountains. It is hoped that this could become an annual visit with a return visit from the Romanian school.

This should keep our international links going whilst we prepare a new project for 2016.

It is something that does define our school and makes us special and I really would like to keep it going despite the safety restrictions that are continuously put up as barriers.



Congratulations

To all the buddies of children in Reception I would like to say a big thank you. Buddies are so important to the settling in process and the fact that this year's Reception are so settled is testimony to the wonderful work they have done.

We will soon be choosing buddies for next year's intake. Luckily the children here are so fantastic this process is always well supported.

school buddies

Safeguarding

Teachers cannot hand over children to anyone without express permission from the child's parent or guardian. If there is a change in plans and another adult will be collecting, please let the school know to avoid any difficulties.

Dates for your calendar

For email's from the school please bring your email address to the school office or email bsursar@blisscharity.northants-ecl.gov.uk or office@bliss.northants.sch.uk
school website: www.bliss.northants.sch.uk

25th June – Class 3 trip to Roman Lunt

26th June – KS 2 Celebration assembly for Classes 3 – 6, parents welcome
School Council trip to Northampton Guildhall

29th June – Full Governing Body meeting at 6.30 pm

30th June – Poetry Jam – please see Miss Thompson for more information

3rd July – KS 1 Celebration assembly for Reception, Class 1 & 2, parents welcome

6th – 13th July – Year 6 trip to Romania

6th & 7th July – Year 6 to Campion – transition days

6th July – Change over afternoon – all children spend time in new September class

7th July – Reception trip to Sea Life Centre

8th July – Class 2 trip to Cadburys World

14th July – Esafety parents meetings – 3.30 – 4.30 and 5.30 – 6.30 crèche available at both sessions

16th July – The Tempest (Class 5 & 6 production) – afternoon and evening performances

17th July – Leavers Service at St Peters and St Pauls Church at 1.30 pm

20th July – KS 1 Celebration assembly for Reception, Class 1 & 2, parents welcome

Buddies tea party (Reception children and their buddies)

Reports parents evening – only for issues relating to the report, no appointment necessary

Year 6 Prom – more details to follow

21st July – KS 2 Celebration assembly for classes 3 – 6, parents welcome

1.30 pm Leavers Assembly for Year 6 parents and by invitation only please

3.15 School closes for Summer holidays

1st & 2nd Sept – Staff training days

2nd – 4th Sept – new reception home visits

3rd Sept – School opens Term 1 2015/2016

7th Sept – New reception children start – am or pm groups

Sports

Ben will remain with us next year, but not as an apprentice but as a Sports Teaching Assistant. He will also be beginning the process of training to become a teacher at some stage in the future. This is such good news for all of the children who benefit from Ben's skills and enthusiasm.

Thank you!

To the Friends of Bliss who have reformed successfully and are now raising money in many ways to enhance the provision we offer.

Rachel Connell is the teacher rep and hopefully all the children will benefit from the fundraising and it will be well supported as always.

