



Blewbury Endowed C of E Primary School

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Friday 27th January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,



Lots of exciting learning has been taking place this week, from dragon dances, to battle role-play, to dinosaur detectives!

Have a look at the learning in each class on our website:

[O'Keeffe](#) [Goldsworthy](#) [Picasso](#) [Klimt](#) [Banksy](#)

Homework

We have had a few queries about homework this term. The below reminder will hopefully address any questions you have and clarify how and when homework is set.

Homework in EYFS:

Homework for children in the Foundation Stage should be an average of around ½ hour per week:

- Daily reading or sharing of a book. The parent or carer should record this in the child's Reading diary.
- Weekly phonics (sound to practise)
- Parents are encouraged to share wow moments that occur outside school with teachers via wow slips in book bags.

Home in Key Stage One - Years 1 and 2:

Homework for pupils in Key Stage 1 should be around an hour per week:

- Daily reading or sharing of a book. The parent or pupil should record this in the child's Reading diary.
- Teachers use SeeSaw to set a weekly learning activity for all pupils in their class. The learning activity will either relate to recent learning in school or to future learning. Pupils submit their home learning via SeeSaw to enable their teacher to give them feedback.
- We may also send additional phonics, key words, or spelling practise.

Homework in KS2 – Years 3, 4 and 5:

Homework for pupils should be an average of 15 minutes every day:

- Daily reading or sharing of a book. The parent or pupil should record this in the child's Reading diary.
- Teachers use SeeSaw to set a weekly learning activity for all pupils in their class. The learning activity will either relate to recent learning in school or to future learning. Pupils submit their home learning via SeeSaw (unless otherwise stated) to enable their teacher to give them feedback.
- We may send home additional maths (Times Table Rockstars), spelling or handwriting practice.

Homework in Year 6:

Homework for pupils in Year 6 should be an average of around 30 minutes every day:

- Daily reading or sharing of a book. The parent or pupil should record this in the child's Reading diary.
- Teachers use SeeSaw to set a weekly learning activity for all pupils in their class. The learning activity will either relate to recent learning in school or to future learning. Pupils submit their home learning via SeeSaw to enable their teacher to give them feedback.
- Maths skills and spelling/grammar practice.

What is SeeSaw?

[SeeSaw](#) is an online platform that is designed to communicate securely between school and home. It is used widely across both primary and secondary schools in the UK successfully. If you do not know your child's SeeSaw log in, please speak to your child's class teacher who will be able to print it for you.

You can find the full version of our Homework Policy on our website [here](#).

Clubs

After the half term break, we will run the following clubs:

Day	Club	Lead by	Time	Cost
Monday	Gardening	Mrs Jacob	3.15pm – 4.15pm	Free
Tuesday	Netball (Years 3-6)	Mr Sadler	3.15pm – 4.15pm	£4.50 per session
Thursday	Choir	Miss Reeder	12.30-1pm	Free
Thursday	Football (all ages)	Mr Sadler	3.15pm – 4.15pm	£4.50 per session

Please get in touch with Mrs Bealey in the school office to book a place.

Gardening club will initially be offered to pupils who did not attend in the autumn term.

Choir club will be taking part in the Didcot Partnership Music festival in March – details to follow after half term. Please note there may be a small cost for transport to the event.

Celebrations

Congratulations to the following children who received a Star of the Week certificate in our celebration assembly: Isla, Noah, Edward and Jack – O'Keeffe Class; Amelia and Josh – Goldsworthy; Eli and Archie – Picasso; Elliott, Myley, Grayson and Georgina - Klimt; Fae and Evie – Banksy

A huge well done to the following pupils for receiving a BRONZE award for gaining 50 house points: Samuel – O'Keeffe Class; Tallulah, Annabel, Trixie, Nastya - Banksy Class

House points:

Attenborough	Anning	Hawking	Curie
1239	1281	1185	1513

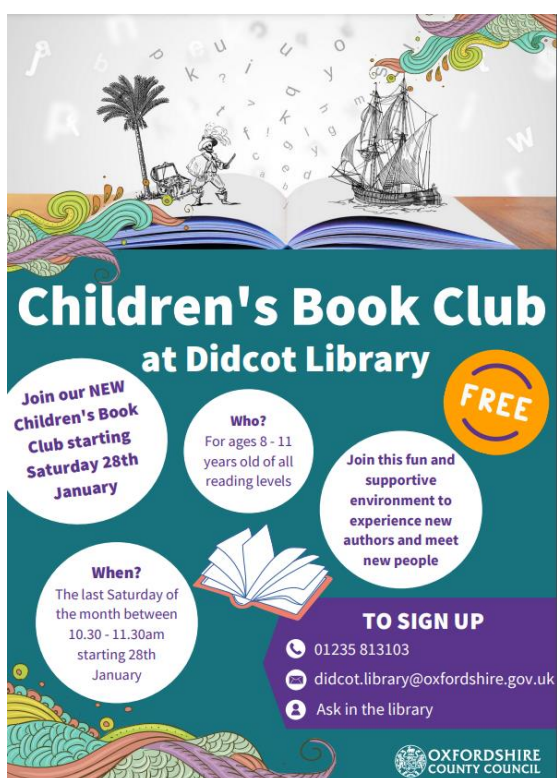
Yours sincerely,

Miss Reeder

Headteacher

Diary Dates	
Monday 6 th February 2.30pm	Goldsworthy and O'Keeffe sharing event for parents
Monday 13 th – Friday 17 th February 2023	Half Term Break
Tuesday 21 st March	Picasso, Klimt and Banksy trip to Ashmolean Museum
Wednesday 29 th March	Picasso, Klimt and Banksy sharing event for parents
Friday 31 st March 2023 3.15pm	End of Spring Term
Monday 17 th April	Start of summer term
Monday 1 st May	Bank holiday – School closed
Monday 8 th May	Bank holiday – School closed
Tuesday 9 th – Friday 12 th May	Years 6 SATs week

Community News



Children's Book Club
at Didcot Library

FREE

Join our NEW Children's Book Club starting Saturday 28th January

Who?
For ages 8 - 11 years old of all reading levels

Join this fun and supportive environment to experience new authors and meet new people

When?
The last Saturday of the month between 10.30 - 11.30am starting 28th January

TO SIGN UP

- 01235 813103
- didcot.library@oxfordshire.gov.uk
- Ask in the library

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SCIENCE BAZAAR SATURDAYS

Saturday 28 January 2023
11 am – 12 pm

Science Bazaar Saturdays presents Cells: life's building blocks! Join Bright Sparks Science in investigating cell biology, organelles and replication! This virtual event is FREE and open to all. Fun for all the family and most suitable for 5 – 12 years. Register at:

<https://brookes.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0lf-uvrjMpGiLVCDpiRhYG3bsOR0GrhOa>

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