

Friday 22nd November 2024

**We are a Caring, Celebratory, Courageous, Christ-inspired
Community, rooted in love.**



Dear All,

It seems only right to begin this newsletter celebrating the success of our first PTA event of the academic year – our school Glow Disco that took place on Friday 8th November. It was an absolute triumph! The smiles and happiness on the children’s faces were wonderful to see. Who knew that children could come up with so many ways to wear glow bands?! Thank you so much Charlotte and fellow PTA-ers for organising the event and another sincere thank you to those of you who generously gave of your time and stayed to keep topping up the endless jugs of squash and plates of biscuits for the children. I have been reliably informed that we must have set a local record for biscuit consumption! The squash was definitely needed with all the energetic and groovy moves on display; even Miss Wiggins couldn’t stand still and found herself subtly boogieing to the music! Thank you also to Lee Smith for giving the children a thoroughly enjoyable disco. Events like this couldn’t take place without your valued support so thank you to those of you who attended. There’s no time to rest on our laurels though and our attention now turns to our Christmas Fayre which this time next week, will be underway. Please do come along and support us if you can. We would love to see as many of you there as possible and the children are working so hard to create their festive items for you to purchase.



In school, it is always a hive of activity as you would expect. We started last week with our Remembrance Day respects being paid. Mr Faulkner and Miss Murphy took along our BJS Pupil Parliament and some Year 6 representatives to the service in Brackley town. The behaviour and respect shown by these children was “top-notch”; wonderful ambassadors for our school – thank you children. In school, each class watched and observed the silence in their classrooms with respect as well. Our child-led Collective Worship last week was led by 4AW and this also focused on remembrance, informed by their visitor Mr McCawley who spent time with 4AW, talking about his time and experiences in the army and showing the children his medals. It’s always so wonderful to see how respectful our children are when they listen to other children during these child-led worship times.

Children from our Year 6 continued to be great ambassadors for our school on Wednesday of last week when they showed visitors around during our first open-day event of the year. There were many compliments from our prospective parents about our Year 6 guides, expressing how polite, articulate and caring they were, talking with knowledge, enthusiasm and maturity. Well done Year 6.

Katharine House Hospice Santa Fun Run

Just a reminder that donations for the fun run can be made online using the link below. It would be amazing if we could reach our aim of raising £550, so our school could fund a special Christmas dinner for all the patients on an inpatient ward.

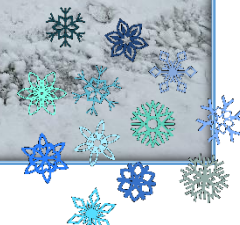
[Brackley Junior School is fundraising for Katharine House Hospice - Banbury](#)

Naming of School Uniform

We have a large amount of uniform accruing that is unnamed. Please can you ensure that every item of your child's uniform is named. Cardigans and jumpers present a particular issue as we have so many the same!

 **Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow!** 

Who knew that we would experience snow so early into the academic year? We thought you'd like to see what a marvellous time the children had during Tuesday morning break . . .





School Attendance:

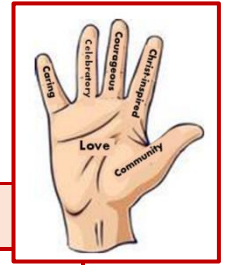
CLASS	SINCE 4 TH SEPT.	WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ...	CONGRATULATIONS TO ...
3JE	95.39%	<p>... currently stands at 96.16%.</p> <p>Thank you!</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <p>The national expectation is 95%.</p> </div>	
3EG	95.82 %		
4LF	93.94 %		
4AW	96.65 %		
5MM	96.27 %		
5PR	96.17 %		
5BFG	96.85 %		
6KW	96.47 %		
6LS	97.85 %		

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Akers
Headteacher

Our BJS Stars of the Week

A mighty well done to . . .



Date	15.11.24	22.11.24
Year 3	Eleanor, Ozkar, Kaelan & Scott	Bonnie, Ivy, Benjamin & Eva
Year 4	Jax, Isla, Alessia & Ellie	Lexie, Arthur, Skyla & Taylor
Year 5	Conor, Olivia, Alex, Damien, Leo & Olivia	Freddie, Jacob, Harry, Jack, Lois & Leo
Year 6	Isabelle, Leila, Ellie & William	Molly, Adam, Arthur & Demi

UPCOMING DATES FOR THE TERM			
Date	Event	Where	Time
22 nd November	Mufti Day 1: Own clothing in exchange for a hamper item of a specific colour.	In school	
29 th November	Mufti Day 2: Own clothing in exchange for a tombola item.	In school	
	Christmas Fayre	In school	3:30 – 5:30
13 th December	Open Classroom Afternoon	Your child's classroom	2:10 pm
16 th December	Santa Fun Run	School field	Afternoon
18 th December	Church	In church	Throughout the day
	Christmas jumper/ festive-wear day	In school	
	Christmas dinner	In school	
20 th December	Last day of term		3:10 pm

Please see the email sent home on Thursday 14th November for additional details of Term 2 festive events.