

Friday 7th November 2025

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



Dear All,

I hope everyone had a restful week's break and found some time to relax and recharge the physical batteries.

As we begin this new term, our focus turns to a 'new' core value — **Community**. While we continue to live and uphold all six of our core values, this term we will be paying special attention to what it means to be part of a caring, supportive and connected community.

This week, the children spent an afternoon exploring this value, reflecting on our Bible quote: *"Do not forget to do good and to share with others."* Together, we thought about what makes our school community so special and how we already live out this value through our wonderful fundraising efforts from last term and our involvement within our Brackley community.

Throughout the coming weeks, we will continue to celebrate the importance of community — from exploring the role of community around the baby Jesus in the Nativity, to marking significant events such as Remembrance Day, Anti-Bullying Week, and Advent.

BJS Choir – Mrs Pantrey

And speaking of **Community** . . . On Wednesday 22nd October, BJS choir joined with seven other Brackley Cluster Schools for a wonderful concert at Magdalen College School.

There were over 120 children taking part, each singing two songs alone and two songs as a massed choir. We chose to sing Gary Barlow's 'Sing' and 'It's a Hard Knock Life' from *Annie*. The children worked incredibly hard in all our rehearsals and sang fantastically. They showed great courage, stepping out in front of a huge audience to perform and were fabulous ambassadors for our school. We really enjoyed the whole experience and are looking forward to another one next year! Well done choir!



Christmas Festivities!

Whilst we have six weeks packed with learning ahead of us, it is always frightening how quickly they seem to fly by. I have been asked by a couple of parents already whether I will email out an overview again of what

"Life in all its fullness"

is planned in school and am more than happy to oblige, so please see the final page of this newsletter for this information.

Lunchtimes – Mrs Eaton

A reminder that children will need wellies or a change of shoes if they want to use the field/den area/ trim trail and sports zone at lunchtime due to mud. Please bring these in a named carrier bag. We would like the children to continue enjoying all the new equipment and field space for as long as possible, rather than close the field as we have done in previous years.



School Attendance:

CLASS	SINCE 3 rd SEPT.	WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE . . .	CONGRATULATIONS TO . . .
3M	93.77 %	<p>. . . currently stands at 95.86%.</p> <p>We are above national expectation.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <p>The national expectation is 95%.</p> </div>	
3P	96.00 %		
4M	95.33 %		
4WE	95.82 %		
5FG	92.76 %		
5PR	97.83 %		
6G	95.82 %		
6S	98.08 %		
6W	97.19 %		

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Akers
Headteacher

BJS Values Awards

A mighty well done to . . .

	21.10.25	07.11.25
Year 3	Dejah, Phoebe, Daisy & Olivia	Abel, Alexander, Roland & Darcie
Year 4	Alfie, Kaya, Max M. & Paddy	Archie, Aaradhya, Lucy & Connie
Year 5	Callum, Cesca, Amelia & Robyn	Kitty, Anna, Ethaniel & Lilly
Year 6	Harry G., Ruby, Sam, Lily, Phoebe & Daisy	Isaac, Evie, Freddie C., Jack, Lexi & Lois

