

## Whole School News

### Emails to Staff

Our staff are very happy to receive emails from parents but may be unable to access these until later in the day. If you send an email which requires immediate attention or information about your child's attendance, appointments, etc. could we ask that you also include the office in your email on [b.stone@blundells.org](mailto:b.stone@blundells.org).

### Uniform

We have noticed that our children, at times, do not look as smart as they could and that non-uniform items are slipping in. Could we ask you to check that dress hems are not drooping and that shoes are in good repair. The girls white socks should be ankle socks and not trainer socks and that hairbands, ribbons, ties, etc. should be either black or purple.

### Clubs for Next Academic Year

A letter containing the Clubs options will be sent home by post next week. Please take time to look at the options with your child or children and send them back to the school office by the deadline of Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> June.

### School Photo      Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 9.00 am

On Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June we will be having the whole school photograph. We would therefore be grateful if you would arrange for your child/children to be looking extra smart on that day!

Boys should wear their normal trousers or shorts, long sleeved white shirt, tie, and blazer. No jumpers are to be worn. **Girls should wear their grey skirt, white long-sleeved blouse, tie and their blazer, not their summer dress or white aertex shirt on this particular day.** Please note that blazers will be done up, and no badges will be worn. Children in Nursery 1 and Nursery 2 should wear sweatshirts, with grey socks or tights. Your assistance with this would be greatly appreciated.

### FOBP 2017 Summer Ball      Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June

Tickets are still on sale for the Summer Ball on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June. The deadline for buying tickets is Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> June and tickets are available from the School office or the nearly new shop. You can either purchase a table of 10 or request to join a year group table. Tickets cost £50 and include dinner and a welcome drink. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to speak to any member of the Committee. We look forward to seeing you on the dance floor for the social event of the year!

## Prep News

### EAGS

EAGs are now available on the Portal.

### Residential Week      Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> May

During the week commencing Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May, Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will each be taking part in their residential trips. A Blog for each trip will appear on our website so please do take a look. No after school clubs will be running but there will be supervised provision in the Prep Room for any child who cannot be collected at 4.30 pm. Please note that there will be no clubs or Prep on Friday.

As well as heading off for their residential trips, the children will also be taking part in a variety of local visits and activities. Please ensure that the children have applied sun cream before coming to school for all days where there are outside activities. Listed below are the clothing requirements for each day.

Year 3	Monday	Knightshayes	School Tracksuit, Shorts and white PE Shirt, Trainers, Raincoat
	Tuesday	Tiverton Canal	School Tracksuit, Shorts and white PE Shirt, Trainers, Raincoat
	Wednesday	Tesco	School Uniform including Blazer
	Thurs/Friday	Residential	See Kit List

Year 4	Monday	Film Studies	School Uniform (bring Sports' Kit)
	Tuesday	Orienteering	School Tracksuit, Shorts and white PE Shirt, Trainers, Raincoat
	Wed/Thur/Fri	Residential	See Kit List

Year 5	Monday	Play in a Day	Home clothes – no clothes with large logos please
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We would like to welcome all Year 5 parents to a performance at 4.00 pm in the Prep Hall

Tues/Wed/Thurs/Fri	Residential	See Kit List
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Year 6	Monday	Exmoor	The children will need to wear walking boots or wellington boots, school tracksuit with the skin underneath (if your child suffers from the cold also the black top), hat, gloves and a waterproof coat. They will also require a small backpack to carry lunch (provided by the school), hat and gloves, water and a plastic bag to sit on. We recommend that sun cream is applied before coming to school and/or a small bottle of sun cream is carried in the backpack.
	Tuesday	Play Rehearsal	School Uniform
	Wed/Thur/Fri	Residential	See Kit List

**Prep Sports Day      Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> June 12.00 pm**

All parents are warmly invited to join us for our Prep Sports Day which will take place on the first day back after half term. Once again we would ask for your help in creating a special atmosphere for the afternoon. We are inviting parents to bring a picnic lunch to share with their child or children at 12.00 pm. Please do bring any gazebos, tents, or other suitable shelters, along with picnic rugs, chairs, and even candelabra! These can be situated around the track, creating a stadium like atmosphere for the afternoon's events.

We realise that not all parents will be able to attend and in this case your child may like to join another family for the picnic lunch. Alternatively, the School will provide a picnic lunch which will be enjoyed outside with the teachers.

Children in Years 3 – 6 can be collected from their Form Teacher on the Prep playground at 12.00 pm.

If you have a child with a sibling in the Pre-Prep then they are welcome to join you for the picnic and to stay with you during Sports Day and can be collected from the Pre-Prep at 12.00 pm. Please note they will be your responsibility from 12.00 pm and are not expected to return to class. The Sports Events will then start at 1.00 pm and should conclude by 4.30 pm. It promises to be a super event so please keep your fingers crossed for good weather.

Please do let us know by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May by email [b.stone@blundells.org](mailto:b.stone@blundells.org) if:-

- You are not able to make the event and your child requires a picnic lunch provided by school.
- You are not able to make the event but your child is joining another family and the name of this family.

- You are collecting your child at 12.00 pm from the Pre-Prep to attend the picnic and Sports Day with you.

We thank you very much for your help.

### **Creative Arts Exhibition**

We would like to invite you to our Creative Arts Exhibition. On display will be the work from the Creative Arts Week held in the Spring Term. This will take place on Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> and Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> June from 4.00 pm – 5.30 pm. Alternatively, you could join us for the Coffee Morning on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June and enjoy the fantastic art work at the same time.

### **Swimming**

Swimming - after half term all PE lessons will be swimming at our senior school pool. If possible could the children wear black swimming shorts or costume. It is advisable to wear goggles and anybody can wear a swimming hat if they want to.

### **Year 6 Biathlon**

Year 6 are invited to take part in a Biathlon on Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon between 1.00 pm and 3.00 pm. This will take place in the senior school pool followed by few laps run around the senior school 'Big Field'. Times will be taken and there will be both a boys and girls winner. Letters for those who are interested in taking part may be obtained from Mr Swain.

## **Pre-Prep News**

### **Year 1 Play**

Just a reminder that the Year 1 children will be performing in their play on Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 2.00 pm. We look forward to welcoming families and friends to our final production of the term.

### **Judo**

Just a reminder that there will be no Pre-Prep Judo on Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May. Children can therefore be collected at 3.40pm or be booked into Owls or Siblings that evening instead.

### **MultiSports**

There will be no MultiSports Club on Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May as Miss Howlett and Miss Jellard will be out of school that afternoon. Children can therefore be collected at 3.40 pm or booked into Owls or Siblings that evening instead.

### **Whole School Photo Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> June at 9.00 am**

If your child is in Nursery 1 or 2 and does not usually attend school on a Tuesday morning please bring them into their classroom by 8.45 am in their winter uniform if you would like them to be included in the whole school photo. You can then take your child home immediately after the photograph has been taken.

### **Pre-Prep Sports Day-Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June at 2.00 pm**

We are very much looking forward to welcoming friends and families to our Sports Day on Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> June at 2.00 pm. All the children in the Pre-Prep, from Nursery 1 to Year 2, will be involved in the races. The children should wear their PE shorts or skorts, tee-shirts and plimsolls or trainers. Nursery children can wear any shorts, tee shirt and plimsolls or trainers.

If you have a child with a sibling in Years 3 - 5 they are welcome to join you and stay with you during Sports Day. Year 6 will be in a play rehearsal for Dr Dolittle and will therefore be unable to attend. Please let us know by Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> June by emailing [prep@blundells.org](mailto:prep@blundells.org) if you are collecting your child from the Prep School at 1.45pm. **If we are not informed then we will not be able to release your child as they will be back in classes and we wish to avoid disruption to lessons.** Please note that the older children will be your responsibility from 1.45pm and are not expected to return to class.

The races will take place on the field to the side of the Prep School and we will keep our fingers crossed for fine weather. Do come along and bring friends and family to help cheer the children on! We look forward to welcoming as many of you as possible to this exciting event.