

## Whole School News

### Week Commencing 19<sup>th</sup> June

### Staff Training

The school is investing in a new management system and during the week commencing 19<sup>th</sup> June there will be training for various members of staff. On Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> June 12.00 pm – 5.00 pm, Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> 9.00 am – 5.30 pm and Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> June 9.00 am – 10.30 am Bev and Gloria will be in training and Mrs Sarah Southgate will kindly be covering the Office. Please note that there may be a delay in response to emails.

### Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> June 6.00 pm

### Summer Concert

We are all looking forward to the Summer Concert which is always a super event. Please note that the concert is a compulsory event for the children in the Prep School and Year 2, and the children should be in uniform. We welcome our families in the Pre-Prep who may like to join us. Please bring along a picnic supper which is eaten during the interval. **All children will be sitting with parents throughout the concert and they have been told this.** The Summer Concert should finish by approximately 8.00 pm. Prep, Quiz and Computer Clubs will be running. Parents may collect at 4.30 pm or from the playground at 5.30 pm.

### Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2.00 pm

### Speech Day

Speech Day will begin at 2.00 pm on Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> June and we look forward to welcoming our guest speaker, Mr James Shone.

Speech Day is an occasion which looks back on the year that has passed and where we hand out prizes to those children who have won an array of cups and awards. We also officially wish Year 6 pupils every success as they move on to their senior schools.

Pupils will attend normal school throughout the morning. They will then be taken to the marquee by their teachers and will sit together as a group. Please could parents ensure that all children have their blazers and ties with them on the day.

The proceedings in the marquee will take about an hour and a quarter, after which time afternoon tea for parents will be served. Children in the Prep School will report to a member of staff on the playground where they will be given refreshments. For all Prep pupils the school day finishes immediately after Speech Day at approximately 3.45 pm. Children are to be collected from their Form Teacher.

**CAR PARKING** – Those of you who have attended Speech Day before will be aware that there is a limited amount of parking space. Where possible, we suggest that parents and friends share transport, thus reducing the number of vehicles parking at school. It would be very helpful and very much appreciated if you could park where you are directed and not leave too much space between cars. Thank you.

### Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> June

### Whole School Photograph

On Wednesday, 28<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.

### **Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> June    New Staff**

Both Alexandra Steel and Ben Martin will be visiting for the day on Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> June. They are very much looking forward to meeting the children who will be in their classes next year.

### **Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> June    Year 6 Play**

The Year 6 play 'Dr Dolittle' will be taking place in Ondaatje Hall. Tickets are still available priced at £4 for adults and £2.50 for children. Please do purchase your tickets from the school office.

### **Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> June        Leavers' Service 9.15 am**

The Leavers' Service will take place at Blundell's Chapel at 9.15 am and will be attended by all children from Kindergarten to Year 6. All parents are welcome to attend.

### **Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> June        Last Day of Term**

3.30 pm                      Term ends for Pre-Prep

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### **Judo Club Cancellation**

Miss Goldman has cancelled Judo for Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> June, therefore there will not be any more Judo for the rest of the term. We are sorry for any inconvenience that this may cause.

### **Fun@Blundell's**

Information about Fun @ Blundell's is attached to this iLETTER.

### **Cups and Saucers**

Our Drama department would be grateful for donations of chipped or cracked cups and saucers for our Year 6 play. Please note that these will not be returned to you.

### **End of Year Reports**

We will email parents to inform you of when our End of Year reports will be available on the Parent Portal.

## **Prep News**

### **Prep Sports Day        Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> June 12.00 pm**

All parents are warmly invited to join us for our Prep Sports Day which will take place Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June, having been postponed earlier in the 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 and chairs. We are hopeful that umbrellas will not be required!

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 asap via 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.

### **Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> June**

There will be no Clubs, although Prep will be available for those children who are unable to be picked up at 4.30 pm.

### **Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> June**

All sports kit and children's belongings in the Prep School are to be taken home tonight. There will be no Clubs, although Prep will be available for those children who are unable to be picked up at 4.30 pm.

## **Pre-Prep News**

### **Whole School Photo                      Wednesday 28<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.

### **Arrangements for the Summer Concert for the Pre-Prep                      Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> June at 6.00 pm**

We are delighted that some of the Pre-Prep children will be participating in this event again this year. All of the Year 2 children will be singing and the children who attend Brass Club, Cello Club, Recorder Club and Violin Club will also be performing. This is a wonderful opportunity for all of the children and a most enjoyable family evening. The children should attend the concert in school uniform and sit with their parents until they are called up on to stage to perform. The children will be performing during the first half of the programme. Do bring a picnic to enjoy during the interval.

### **Arrangements for Speech Day for the Pre-Prep                      Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 2.00 pm**

We will be running a normal School day for all the children in the Nursery classes. Children in the Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 will attend school as usual in the morning. In the afternoon these children will attend Speech Day and will be expected to sit with their form teachers and class. The children will be entertaining all guests with a song, as Speech Day begins.

The proceedings in the marquee will take about an hour and a quarter, after which the children will return to the Pre-Prep with their teachers. In the interests of the children's safety, every child should be collected from the Pre-Prep gate, rather than the marquee, as soon as Speech Day is over.

We do hope that you will stay and enjoy afternoon tea, which will be served after Speech Day but we would ask you to collect your children before tea, and assume responsibility for them from this time.

### **Kindergarten Profile Meetings                      Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June from 1.30 pm**

All parents of Kindergarten children are invited to meet with Miss Purvis and Mrs Allen on Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> June from 1.30 pm to discuss their child's progress as they come to the end of their Early Years Education, ahead of their move to Key Stage One (Years 1 and 2). Please select a time from the timetables which are outside the Kindergarten classrooms. Miss Purvis will meet with the parents of the children in her class in the Pre-Prep library and Mrs Allen will meet with the parents of the children in her class in the Pre-Prep meeting room, both of which are situated on the first floor. You will be able to take your child home after your meeting if you would like to do so. We look forward to welcoming you.