

## Whole School News

### Clubs, Music and Speech & Drama Forms Back

Please may we request that all Club, Music and Speech & Drama forms are back in the office by Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> June at the latest.

### New Appointment

We are delighted to announce that Mrs Deborah Taylor will be joining our Pre-Prep in September as maternity leave cover. Mrs Taylor previously taught at Ardingly Prep School before re-locating with her family to Devon last year. She will be taking a Year 2 class for the full academic year, working alongside Miss Jellard and the rest of our Pre-Prep team. There will be an opportunity for Mrs Taylor's new class to meet her at Move Up Day on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June.

### Summer Ball Tickets

Please can we remind parents to purchase tickets for the Summer Ball as soon as they are able or by Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> June at the latest. Tickets are available from the School Office.

### Judo Club      Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> June

Judo Club's last lesson will take place on Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> June. There will be no lessons for the remainder of the term. This is because Miss Goldman has completed 30 lessons this academic year.

### Whole School Photograph      Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> June

On Tuesday, 12<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.

### Move up Day      Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> June

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June is our move up morning when all of the children will spend time with their new teacher for September. We will be sending the class lists home today via email which will inform you as to which class your child will be in next year, who their teacher will be, and who the other children in the class and year group will be. We are delighted that we have many new joiners for September, some of whom will be joining us on Move up Day. We also have a number of children who are hoping to join us in September 2018 but who are still finalising details such as house moves.

If your child attends the Nursery and is not normally in school on a Monday, and you would like him or her to join us between 9.00 am until 10.30 am that morning to take part in the move up, please let your child's class teacher know.

### Summer Concert      Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> June      6.00 pm

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 9.00 pm. Clubs will be running. Parents may collect at 4.30 pm or from the playground at 5.30 pm.



**Years 3 - 6      Enrichment Evening      Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> July      4.45 pm – 5.30 pm**

We are delighted to welcome guest speaker Lucy River Bulkeley to Blundell's Prep on Monday 2nd July. Lucy has recently reached the summit of Mount Everest as a part of her hugely impressive quest to complete the 'Seven Summits Challenge' and is looking forward to talking to our pupils and parents about her adventures, and answering any questions. Please could you notify the office if you wish to attend, and encourage your children to let their form teachers know if they will be joining.

## Pre-Prep News

**Whole School photo      Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> June      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.

**Celebration Assembly**

We hope that you have made a note of the date for our next Coffee Morning and Pre-Prep Celebration Assembly on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June at 8.15am. We are delighted that Mrs Laura Clifford our new Head of Pre-Prep from January 2019 will be joining us and she is looking forward to meeting many of you that morning.

**Pre-Prep Sports Day      Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> June      2.00 pm**

We are very much looking forward to welcoming friends and families to our Sports Day on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June at 2.00 pm. All of the children in the Pre-Prep will be involved in the races. The children should wear their PE shorts or skorts, t-shirts and plimsolls or trainers. Nursery children can wear any shorts, t-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 Mary Poppins and will therefore be unable to attend. Please let the Office know by Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June by emailing [prep@blundells.org](mailto:prep@blundells.org) if you are collecting your child from the Prep School at 1.45 pm. **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.** 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.

**Nursery and Reception Picnic      Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June**

We look forward to welcoming our Nursery and Reception parents and children to this event, on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 2.30 pm. Please collect your child from their classroom at 2.30 pm and assume responsibility for them for the rest of the afternoon. Do bring rugs or blankets to sit on as we hope for beautiful weather that afternoon. Please let your child's class teacher know if you are able to join us.

**Arrangements for the Summer Concert for Pre-Prep      Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> June 6.00 pm**

We are delighted that some of the Pre-Prep children will be participating in this event again this year. All Year 2 children will be singing and the children who attend Recorder Club, Violin Club, Cello 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 to the 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 29<sup>th</sup> June 2.00 pm**

We will be running a normal school day for all the children in the Nursery classes. Children in Reception, Years 1 and 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.