



## Blowers Green Primary Newsletter

February 2017 (6)



**SNOW!** Just a reminder that in the event of heavy snow, school closures will be announced on BRMB and Heart FM, as well as appearing on the front pages of the Dudley MBC and school's own website. Parents will also be notified by a text message so please ensure that we have your most up to date mobile telephone number. We aim to make a decision by 8.00am.

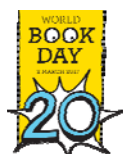


Thank you to those parents who attended our **HEALTHY EATING** assembly - as you know, we are still working hard to promote this in our school. I hope that you found it informative and helped with tips and ideas to include in your everyday food preparation. Our thanks must also go to our School Council for leading this assembly.

As a celebration of our recent **OFSTED success**, we are inviting one parent from each family to join us for Afternoon Tea on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February at 2.30pm in the School Hall. If you have not already done so, please collect a slip from the School Office. We look forward to seeing you there!



Our **INSPIRE** sessions are always well attended and enjoyed by both parents and children alike. As you are aware, each class has been making items which will be sold during the coming week. Homebase made a generous donation to Class 1 to help them with their gardening activity which was much appreciated. We must thank parents too, for their support with this venture.



It's that time of year again! **WORLD BOOK DAY** is on Thursday 2 March 2017 and we are asking you to dust off your sewing skills and help the children to dress up as a character from their favourite book for the day.

**Mrs Fakhra Janjua** has been elected as **PARENT GOVERNOR** to serve on the school Governing Body. She has children in Classes 6, 5 and 3. Remember she is your representative, together with Mr J Miller.



We also have a **GOVERNORS' LETTERBOX** situated in the office reception area for you to post any comments or suggestions you may have.

Please be aware that no **JEWELLERY** or personal items are allowed to be worn apart from stud earrings and a watch. For safety, such items **MUST** be removed for PE.



**DON'T FORGET!** - **Month of May = SATs** - Children in Year 6 will be taking their SATs during week commencing Monday 8 May 2017. These are very important tests so it is essential that your child is in school, and on time, throughout the week.

**ATTENDANCE** - Our attendance target is 95%. Our current attendance is 94.77%. If you need to take holidays during term time you must complete a holiday form, available from the school office, informing us of the dates to be taken. Failure to notify us could result in your child being taken off roll and losing their school place. *Please note that we do not authorise ANY holidays taken during term time.* An updated Attendance and Behaviour Policy is available on the school website.

**RECORDING OF IMAGES** - Just a gentle reminder about our policy regarding the use of images. Photographs and videos are allowed but must be used solely for personal and domestic purposes. Parents are requested **NOT** to place any recordings or images on social networking sites such as Facebook or You Tube. Parents are also reminded that the legal age for Facebook use is 13 years.



### DEALING WITH CONCERNS

*What to do if you are worried about the safety or wellbeing of a child!*

- Speak to the school. Mrs Adams is the safeguarding lead at Blowers Green Primary  
or you can telephone social services direct on
- Telephone number 0500 555 0050 between the hours of 9.00am-5.00pm or 0500 555 8574 (out of hours office number.)

### DIARY DATES *(provisional - may be subject to change)*

16 February	<b>ELECTIONS - school closed for children</b>
29-30 March	Parents' Evenings 3.30-5.00pm (details to follow)
04 May	<b>ELECTIONS - school closed for children</b>

### TERM DATES

20-24 February	<i>Half Term</i>
07 April	Break up for the Holidays
24 April	School reopens
01 May	May Day Bank Holiday
29 May-02 June	<i>Half Term</i>



**NOTE : OUR SCHOOL OFFICE IS OPEN EACH DAY FROM 8.30AM - 4.00PM.** Pupil absences or any other message can be left via the telephone answering machine and will be actioned by the office staff during office hours.