



Blowers Green Primary Newsletter

November 2018 (2)

I hope you all enjoyed your half term break and children are feeling refreshed for the term leading up to Christmas. We have lots of activities planned for this term including a number of trips. Thank you for your support and contribution towards your child's trip, which enables us to provide them with additional curriculum activities. The governors continue to subsidise these activities.



SCHOOL UNIFORM - Please make sure you name **ALL** items of clothing so that they don't get mixed up! School uniform is available from the office. Please note that sweatshirts will now be £7.50 and cardigans £8.50.

In our last newsletter we said we would share our 2018 SATs results:-

SATs Results

Key Stage Two Results 2018		
	% of Blowers Green pupils who achieved the expected standard	% of pupils Nationally who achieved the expected standard
Reading	75	75
Writing	79	78
Maths	86	76
Spelling Punctuation and Grammar	79	78
Key Stage Two Combined Results 2018		
% of Blowers Green pupils who achieved the expected standard in all subjects (Reading, Writing and Maths)		% of pupils Nationally who achieved the expected standard in all subjects (Reading, Writing and Maths)
75		64

Well done to all the children in gaining these results.

GOVERNORS' CHARGING POLICY - It is important that you familiarise yourself with our Governors' Charging Policy, particularly the part which refers to the charge for late collection of children from school at the end of the day.



SCHOOL MEALS - If you think that your child/ren are entitled to **FREE SCHOOL MEALS** from year 3 onwards, please enquire at the school office as soon as possible as this impacts our funding if they are not applied for.



ALLERGY WARNING - we have children in school with severe allergies to various foods, for example, nuts. We would, therefore, ask parents to avoid sending items that may contain nuts into school either as a snack or as part of their lunchbox.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS! Please note our attendance policy has recently updated. It is important that you take a look at our School Attendance Policy which has been updated and is available for you to view on our school website.

TEXT MESSAGES - You may receive text messages from us at times to let you know about general activities and events taking place in school. If you do not want to receive these please let us know.

PRIMARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS: If your child is currently in nursery you need to ensure you complete your Primary School Application by **15th January 2019**. Please note that if your child is currently attending our nursery it **does not** guarantee a place in our reception class.

CHILDREN IN NEED - Thank you to all families who supported us in raising money for BBC's Children in Need 2018. We are pleased to announce that we raised £119.50 that will be making its way to the charity shortly.

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.

FORTHCOMING DIARY DATES (provisional-may be subject to change)

23 November	Year 1 and 2 visit to Mac Theatre to see Rudolf
28 November	Parents' Evening 5pm - 8pm (details to follow)
30 November	Year 6 visit to Pioneer Centre
3 December	Choir to perform at Merry Hills 'Little Voices'
5 December	Year 5 visit to National Space Centre
6 December	Nursery and Reception trip to Winter Wonderland
11 December	Year 4 visit to Crescent theatre to see Alice in Wonderland
12 December	Foundation Stage/KS1 Christmas production 9.15am
17 December	DPA string performance of Goldilocks to KS1 (in school)
20 December	Christmas lunch
21 December	Mufti day, Christmas party pm and school closes for Christmas
7 January	Inset Day
8 January	Children Return to School