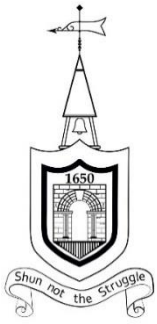


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## HEADLINES

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**Welcome back to the start of a new school term. May I, on behalf of everyone at Bispham Endowed Church of England Primary School, wish you and your family a very Happy and Peaceful New Year.**

**A Special Welcome** - To the new children who have joined our school this week. We hope that you will be very happy with us.

**Thank You** - To everyone who sent members of staff cards and personal gifts for Christmas. Thank you also for the gifts that were sent into school for the whole staff to share. It was very kind of you and we shall particularly enjoy sharing the boxes of chocolates, sweets and biscuits in the staff room!

**School Uniform** - Last half term a small number of junior children were regularly coming to school without a tie or a jumper. Please could I remind you that full winter uniform for juniors is a shirt, a school tie and a royal blue jumper or cardigan - with or without a school badge. We do not sell ties in school but they can be bought from Bispham Clothing in Bispham Village.

**Reception Admission Forms** - Admission forms for children who are old enough to start school in September 2018 **MUST** be returned to the Schools Admission Team from Blackpool Council by **Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018** at the **very latest**. Forms returned after this date will miss the deadline for the allocation of places.

**PE Kit** - This term the children will be having an indoor and an outdoor PE lesson. A reminder that our indoor PE kit consists of black shorts, a white round necked T-shirt or a polo shirt (not the same as the polo shirt worn during the day) and black pumps. This kit should also be worn for outside PE and the children may if they wish wear a pair of plain, dark coloured tracksuit bottoms or a pair of dark coloured jogging bottoms over their shorts. These are optional and we do not specify a particular style. The tracksuit bottoms etc. should be named and should be kept in your child's PE bag. Please note that tracksuit bottoms are not an alternative to shorts for indoor PE lessons. If your child wears tights for school, please could you make sure that they keep a pair of socks in their PE bag to wear with their pumps both indoors and outdoors. PE kit should be sent into school on the first day of every half term and then taken home at the end of the half term for washing.

**Extra-Curricular Activities** - Our lunchtime and after school activities start in the week beginning **Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> January**. This week every child in Years 1 to 6 has brought home a letter giving details of these activities - there are separate letters for infant children and for junior children. Please note that there are limited numbers for some activities and that children who take part in a sporting club **must not** have their ear-rings in on the day of their activity. For health and safety reasons staff who take clubs are not able to remove ear-rings if the children forget. Please also note that BECC's After School Care Club will be open as normal and peripatetic music lessons and the Junior School Choir will take place as usual in the first two weeks of this term.

**Blackpool Children's University** - Another reminder from Mrs Cox for junior children who are members of the Children's University to return their activity forms for last half term once they have been signed by their activity leader. Please could you check that your child's name is written on their activity form - we currently have some anonymous ones that have been handed in!!

**Eco Council News** - The Eco Council have launched a new challenge for this term. We are taking part in The Big Battery Hunt. This is a National School Partnership initiative to encourage children and their families to recycle batteries. This week your child will bring home a battery collecting box. The box can be personalised and is theirs to keep. Over the next few months please collect used batteries in the collection box. When the box is full or after the Easter holidays return it to school. The children will then count their batteries and send them to be recycled. There are prizes from the School Partnership for the pupil and class who collect the most batteries including class trips, iPads, soft toys, a My Maths subscription and much more. Please can all boxes be returned by **April 12<sup>th</sup>** at the latest. **Thank you for your support.**

**Activities for all the Family at All Hallows Church** - There are a range of activities for babies, toddlers, older children and young people provided by our Parish Church of All Hallows. These include:

**Creche:** Meet every Sunday, during the 9.30am service. For children from birth to 3 years in the Choir Vestry (front of church, through door to left of communion table 1<sup>st</sup> door on right) giving you the opportunity to relax and enjoy the morning worship whilst a team of loving carers mind your child.

**Contact: Margaret Wilcoxson (593798)**

**Kid's Praise:** Meet every Sunday from 9.30 to 10.30am for all children 3 -11 years (Infants & Juniors) starting in Church, then leaving for their own celebration and activities in The Stable. Some services are combined with the morning service for example Mothering Sunday, Easter, Harvest & Christmas.

**Contact: Linda Whitworth (354323)**

**Messy Church:** Meet on Saturdays - 13<sup>th</sup> January, 24<sup>th</sup> February, 31<sup>st</sup> March, 28<sup>th</sup> April and 16<sup>th</sup> June from 3pm to 5pm in The Barn. For families with pre-school and primary school children. A fun afternoon of activities that include crafts, cooking, games, quizzes, a café, fellowship and worship. **For more information contact 274172.**



**Best Class for attendance: 2J (100%) Well Done!!**

**Classes with no late marks: 6B**

Last week there were **429 minutes (over 7 hours!!!!)** of learning time lost due to lateness and **1 child** had an unauthorised absence mark as they were so late in coming to school. There were **9 days** unauthorised absence due to holidays in school time.

**Keep up to date with letters sent home, school meals menus and school news on our school website at [www.bispham-endowed.blackpool.sch.uk](http://www.bispham-endowed.blackpool.sch.uk).**

