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"Be kind to one another,  
tenderhearted, forgiving one  
another" *Ephesians 4:32*

Our Christian Value in  
focus this term is...

## Kindness

### The School Prayer

*This is our school  
Let peace dwell here  
Let the room be full of contentment  
Let love be here  
Love of one another  
Love of mankind  
And love of God  
Let us remember  
That as many hands build a house  
So many hearts make a school*



Beckley Church of England Primary School

## School Newsletter

17 May 2019

### May Day Celebration

Our May Day Celebration will begin with coffee, cake and a book sale, run by FOBS, starting at 1.30pm on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May. Parents, friends, neighbours and anyone from the local community are warmly invited. Please send any donations of *NUT FREE* cakes on the day – thank you. At 2pm the School Choir and Orchestra will entertain us. This will be followed by the arrival of the May King and Queen to a fanfare and dances from children in each class. Pupils may come to school on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May dressed in smart clothes (no logos or jeans please), rather than their school uniform, wearing footwear suitable for dancing in. If you are able to donate flowers and/or greenery for the decoration, please do so on the morning itself. We really appreciate your help with this.

### Wear Purple for JIA

'Wear Purple for JIA' is a campaign started by two mums in 2015 to raise much needed awareness and funds for children and young people living with Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis (JIA). An autoimmune disease affecting the joints, there are an estimated 12,000 children and young people living with JIA in the UK. We are asking children to come to school on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June wearing purple, bringing a suggested minimum donation of £1.



### FOBS Calendar

A reminder that FOBS are creating an academic calendar for 2019-2020 that will be sold to raise funds. It will include children's self-portraits and portraits of staff, all of which have been completed in school. There is also a competition for children to have an additional drawing in the calendar, under two categories:

Cat A - "Best picture of the school"

Cat B - "What Beckley means to me"

If your child would like to participate in the competition, please ensure that your entry is completed using colouring pencils, on A4 paper (landscape in orientation) and handed into the office no later than lunchtime on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May**. Please include the child's forename, year group and category A or B on the back of the entry. There will be KS1 and KS2 winners from each of the categories.

### Five Ways to Wellbeing Campaign

Mental health awareness is not just about mental ill health and diagnosed conditions. It is about maintaining our mental wellbeing; managing stress, taking time for ourselves and generally feeling good. Here is some useful information from Oxford City Council:

[https://www.oxford.gov.uk/info/20275/thrive\\_in\\_oxford/1176/five\\_ways\\_to\\_wellbeing](https://www.oxford.gov.uk/info/20275/thrive_in_oxford/1176/five_ways_to_wellbeing)

Find your 5 Ways to Wellbeing here



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### Beckley School After School Club

Our popular After School Club runs from 3.20pm until 5.30pm every school day.

It provides high quality childcare with a wide range of fun activities and play opportunities for the children.

The club is run by the school and conforms to all of our policies and procedures.

Any child who comes to the school is welcome to attend the club.

Places are restricted for the children's own safety and to ensure adequate staffing.

It costs £7.00 per child per session. Pupils must be booked into After School Club termly in advance.

After School Club can be contacted through the school office.

### Sports Day

We have allocated two dates for the children's favourite event of the year to avoid disappointment because of the weather (please see important dates). We will aim for the first date. Sports Day will take place in the morning and the children will sit together, competing for their house.

Starting on the pitch at 9.30am, there will be a number of events of varying difficulty. Every child will take part and be encouraged to do their best. The sporting events will be followed by a family picnic lunch on the field, to which parents are very welcome to attend. The bell will go at 1pm when children will line up and return to classrooms for afternoon lessons. Normal end-of-day routines apply.

A reminder of the house colours for t-shirts that can be worn on the day:

Oak – **Green**                      Willow – **Blue**  
Sycamore – **Red**                      Beech – **Yellow**

Please be sure that you apply sun cream *before* school (as we are unable to do this) and send children with sun hats and water bottles. Thank you.

### Half Term

We finish for half term on Friday 24th May at 3.20pm. After School Care is available on this day. School reopens for children on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June.

Best wishes

Mark Szortowski  
Headteacher

### Important Dates

24<sup>th</sup> May Day celebration – beginning at 1.30pm  
24<sup>th</sup> Break up today at 3.20pm  
27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> HALF TERM

#### **June**

3<sup>rd</sup> INSET day – school closed  
4<sup>th</sup> Children back to school  
4<sup>th</sup> School photographs  
5<sup>th</sup> Dental checks (select pupils)  
5<sup>th</sup> FOBS meeting – 3.30pm  
6<sup>th</sup> Meeting for parents of pupils starting in Sep 2019 – 1.45pm  
7<sup>th</sup> **Wear Purple for JIA Day**  
10<sup>th</sup> Phonics check week – Year 1  
14<sup>th</sup> Year 6 puberty session  
20<sup>th</sup> Year 5 puberty session  
21<sup>st</sup> Sports Day  
25<sup>th</sup> Headteacher's Surgery 4-6pm  
26<sup>th</sup> Science Fair morning  
26<sup>th</sup> Playlink 1  
28<sup>th</sup> Back up Sports Day (*in case of inclement weather on 21<sup>st</sup>*)

#### **July**

1<sup>st</sup> Playlink 2  
2<sup>nd</sup> Toplink Sports event  
3<sup>rd</sup> Playlink 3  
4<sup>th</sup> Moving-up day  
8<sup>th</sup> Playlink 4  
11<sup>th</sup> Full Governing Body Meeting  
12<sup>th</sup> Music assembly for Reception – Year 4 children at 9.10am  
12<sup>th</sup> Annual Reports published  
12<sup>th</sup> Area Sports competition  
15<sup>th</sup> Summer Play at 6pm  
17<sup>th</sup> Summer Play at 6pm  
18<sup>th</sup> Reception and Year 1 visit to Sutton Courtenay  
19<sup>th</sup> Music assembly for Year 5 – 6 children at 9.10am  
22<sup>nd</sup> Whole school Otmoor walk  
24<sup>th</sup> Leavers' assembly at 9.10am  
24<sup>th</sup> Break up today at 1.20pm