

NEWS FROM BLACKTHORNS



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PRIMARY ACADEMY

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A BUSY START TO THE YEAR!

We are always reminding ourselves that life is never dull at Blackthorns, but this academic year seems to have begun at lightning pace! A big thank you for your patience and support during the Activity Zone building work last week. We are expecting the project to be completed within the next few weeks and are really looking forward to opening this area for our children to use.

Another thank you for the many messages of encouragement and support that we received when Ofsted visited again last week.



What's Great?

6D and 6J joined forces this week to do some partner teaching based on Negative numbers.

Class 1S have learnt about adjectives and have been using them in their writing about Hansel and Gretel.

Class 2C had a brilliant Explorer Day!

Class 5T The Tale of Woe innovated writing was a huge success. The children produced a piece of writing full of high level vocabulary and emotional language. A great deal of maturity and care was shown throughout the writing stages.

Class RN have had a fabulous start to school life. They're all great!!!

Class 3C have been working very hard on their retelling of the start of 'The Railway Children'

Class 4H have been using some adventurous vocabulary in their writing

MR J'S BERGEN CHALLENGES

Our very own Mr Jordan is taking part in two huge challenges in the next few weeks. He will be running the Barns Green Half Marathon with a rucksack weighing 20lb and then the Poppy Run Hlf Marathon in Bexhill with a full 40lb military Bergen. He will be raising money for SSFA, the armed forces charity. For more information about these challenges, or to make a donation, please follow the link below. Good luck Mr J and make sure you return to us in one piece!!!

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/tom-jordan40lbs?utm_campaign=pfp-email&utm_content=Tom-Jordan40lbs&utm_medium=fundraisingpage&utm_source=Sharethis&utm_term=mZ643AGYm

SPORTING NEWS

Football and Netball clubs are well under way. A special mention to all those who have shown the courage to commit to a new sporting club this term. It's been wonderful to see some new faces and I have been very impressed by the levels of energy and perseverance shown so far.

EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES

Mrs Robinson led a fantastic assembly, followed by some great language activities to celebrate 'European Day of Languages' this week. The children matched words up with the language they originated from, and Key Stage 2 children took part in Japanese activities. Our Year 6 children made 'Language Stones' which they will hide out in the community and hope that they are found and re-hidden by members of the public.



ONLINE SAFETY REMINDER

Please remember to monitor your child's use of the internet and mobile phones/tablets. We strongly advise you to make use of parental controls. Please also ensure you keep your passwords secure.

We wish our lovely Year 6 pupils a memorable and magical time on the Isle of Wight next week.

KEY DATES

1st-5th Oct: Year 6 to Little Canada, Isle of Wight

8th Oct: 4H to Ashdown Forest

9th Oct: 3C to Bluebell Railway

10th Oct: Harvest Festival day (note there will be no service at the church. Children will take part in activities in school instead)

10th Oct: FOBs AGM

11th Oct: 5T to British Museum

12th Oct: FOBs 'Blingo' night

15th Oct: Parents Consultation Meeting (3.30-6.30pm)

16th Oct: Open day for prospective parents (9.30am and 1.45pm)

17th Oct: School photographs (individual and families)

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18th Oct: Macmillan Coffee Morning (details to be sent)

19th Oct: INSET Day (academy closed)

29th Oct: Academy re-opens after half term

1st Nov: Open morning for prospective parents (9.30am)

5th-9th Nov: World War 1 Week

7th-9th Nov: 5T to Sayers Croft

3rd-7th Dec: Year 6 Bikeability

11th Dec: EYFS/ Key Stage 1 nativity

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14th Dec: Christmas Jumper Day

18th Dec: Panto day. Years 5 and 6 to 'Sleeping Beauty' in Horsham, EYFS-Year 4 'Peter Pan' in school

19th Dec: Last day of Autumn Term