



# THE BATT CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

It hardly seems like yesterday that I first walked through the door of The Batt - where have the last 7 weeks gone?

I am now able to inform you that we are welcoming Miss Katie Mallon, as our new Head of School in January. She will be visiting the children next term as well as sending a biography of herself to you all next month.

So please do have a wonderful half term. Stay safe and we will look forward to seeing you all on 1st November.

Charlie Barwell Executive Head of School

# **Other Information**

### INSET Day

Just a reminder that tomorrow is an INSET day, and the school will be closed to pupils.

## Safeguarding

If you have any safeguarding concerns please speak to Ms Barwell, our Designated Safeguarding Lead, or one of our Deputy DSLs: Mr Atkins; Mrs Dunstan; Mrs Holme; Mrs O'Driscoll; or Mr Baker. Appointments can be made via the office at office@thebattschool.org.uk or on 01993 702392.

<u>Clubs</u>

Clubs for Term 2 will go live on Parent Pay today. Please note that clubs will <u>not</u> run 15th-19th November (Parents' Evening week) and 13th-17th December (last week of term). Some clubs have limited availability and Parent Pay will show when all the places have been booked.

Please note that although the charge for each club is worked out at £2 per week, when booking your child into a club you are signing them up for the whole term, even if your child joins in later in the term, and payment ensures that your child's place for the entire term that you pay for is secure, therefore no partial refunds will be made if your child is unable to attend any particular session during that term unless the club is cancelled by the school.

### Secondary School Applications

Reminder that the deadline for secondary school applications is **31st October 2021**. Please complete your application www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions or email

office@thebattschool.org.uk if you require assistance with the application. Please see the letter attached for more information.

If you have made arrangements for an alternative provision for September 2022, please notify the council in writing to admissions.schools@oxfordshire.gov.uk















## Non-Uniform and Christmas Raffle

On Friday November 12th we will be holding a non-uniform day in return for items for our Christmas Raffle. To make sure we get plenty of variety please could children in the Infants bring in a bottle of something lovely, children in Lower Juniors bring in a box of biscuits, sweets or chocolates and children in the Upper Juniors bring in any kind of smellies or cosmetics. Any other good quality, festive donations you may have will be gratefully received.

Like last year, these donations will then be made into wonderful festive hampers to be used as prizes in our Christmas Raffle.

Many Thanks The BSA.

Science Oxford

There are many exciting events coming up at Science Oxford in Headington. During half term there are a variety of fun family days. Some of the days include: coding, autumn experiences and spooky science! Here is the link for more information: https://scienceoxford.com/events/



If you require any more information, then please let me know Rachel Henderson Science lead

Wheels for All



Inclusive cycling for your child to ride a bike in a safe, supportive environment.

For ages 2-16. Family members welcome.

Every Saturday 10am-2pm.

£3 per session.

Book by phone, email or website: https://windrushbikeproject.uk

















#### Street Tag



For those who were with us last year, we took part in an innovative project called street tag. The idea behind this is to get families out into their local open spaces walking or cycling, collecting tags and earning points for their school team. Currently we are still running with just a handful of players active, and we are in 3<sup>rd</sup> place on the leader board. If you would like to get involved, please follow the instructions attached to join the team or to reactivate your account to help the school earn points and win prizes.

Steps to join your School Team:

- 1. Download the App "Street Tag" from the Play Store/ App Store.
- 2. Click on sign up.
- 3. Fill in your details.

4. The password should be at least 8 characters with 1 special character, 1 upper case, and 1 number.

5. If you are FAST Member, please put your Username as your FAST program card last 4 digits with P and use Referral code = "fm7c\_fastfamily".

- 6. Click YES for Team QR Code.
- 7. Scan the school QR Code.
- 8. Click Sign Up
- 9. Verify either with email or phone number.
- 10. Fill in the questionnaire.
- 11. You are ready to go.

# **Class News**

### Year 2

We have had a great week in 2D. On Monday we went to the Leys for an Autumn walk. We spotted lots of signs of Autumn and also got to play on the playground! We have been busy baking healthy muffins. We practised our science and maths skills during our cooking. This afternoon we are ending our half term by having a disco!

We have worked so hard this half term and all our teachers are so proud of us! We hope you all have a restful week.





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## Year 5

Both classes have explored different investigations involving: parachutes, running with different sized pieces of paper and dropping different balls into sand. The children also worked in groups to plan, carry out and evaluate an investigation involving cars and ramps. Our results were not what we expected which made the learning fun!



# Key Dates

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October Mon 25<sup>th</sup> to Fri 29<sup>th</sup> October Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> October Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November - Individual School Photos Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November - Flu Vaccinations for all Ye

- INSET DAY School closed to pupils
- Half Term
- SEN Family Get Together 10am to 12noon at Fat Squirrel, North Leigh
- Deadline for applying for a Secondary School place for September 2022
- Flu Vaccinations for all Year Groups













