



# NEWSLETTER

## 'Love the Adventure of Learning'

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June Issue 20

Values: Our Value for this term is Love

Let all that you do be in love...Corinthians 16:14
Our website is: <a href="www.thebattschool.org.uk">www.thebattschool.org.uk</a>
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Dear Parents & carers,

Welcome back to a very busy half term. We are really hoping that we can allow parents to at least some events before the end of term. At the moment, we are unable to allow parents to attend Sport's days and other large BSA events. We will let you know if there are any changes.

Please can you continue to wear masks to school and when collecting your children at the end of the day.

#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

CALENDAR	
9 June	Weight/Measure for Reception and Year 6
10 June	Class Photos
18 June	Blue Day for Alzheimer's
22 June	Bikeability
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25 June	SEN Coffee Morning
26 June	Treasure Hunt
6 July	Class swap Day

#### September 2021

We are in the process of planning classes ready for September. I will send out a letter shortly informing you of your child's class and teacher.

#### Walk for Alzheimer's

The staff at the Batt school are walking 15 miles to support the Alzheimer's charity. They would be so pleased if you could follow the link below to sponsor them for this big event. Every child is allowed to come to school in blue. Please send in £1 to support this. Today's Blue Day has already added £380 to the total.



# Poetry in year 5 The Batt School's Alive!

With its scanning, caring eyes,
The wooden horse was guarding the children.
When the break time bell goes
It sighs in relief of its aching back.
As still as a lamp post,
Sighing with relief,
As we leave the school.
The wooden horse is a star gazer
Guarding the school while we sleep.

Sighing longingly, the trim trail waits
For play time to begin.
The ropes are like long blue snakes,
Trying to poison anyone that steps on them.
The trim trail is a curling snake
Slithering through the forest of children.
Like a big shield, the climbing wall
Protects the children hiding behind it.

Happily, the lively children galloped across the bridge Like hungry puppies waiting to be played with. Clambering up the wall, The children aggressively shouted at each other Then fell on top of each other And laughed.

### **Challenge 17**

We have recently received an email from Place2Be (the mental health charity that provided the mental health training online that many of you have completed.)

Along with BAFTA, Place2Be are putting together a **time capsule** of children's work relating to the pandemic. We have attached the information for you to look at with your children and an opportunity for them to reflect and get creative.

https://www.place2be.org.uk/timecapsule?utm\_source=Schools&utm\_campaign=7c33288098-Non-Partner Schools Newsletter June 2021&utm\_medium=email&utm\_term=0\_c6b02a1e38-7c33288098-220149988

#### **Challenge 18**



Children across Oxfordshire can take part in the Challenge at their local Oxfordshire Library from 10<sup>th</sup> July to 11<sup>th</sup> September 2021. This year the Challenge is celebrating nature and as they read, the children will help the Wild World Heroes save and improve their local environment.

Children will be encouraged to read at least six library books of their choice over the summer holidays. As they read, they will collect stickers (some smelly) and rewards. If they complete the Challenge, they will be rewarded with a Wild World Hero medal, certificate and keyring and this year will be entered into a countywide prize draw.

It's fun! It's free! It's local!

Our overall aim is to encourage children to carry on reading over the long summer holiday and at the same time have some fun! In previous years over 8400 Oxfordshire children have taken part in the Summer Reading Challenge and we often receive comments from parents and carers:

'The summer reading challenge has turned my child into a reader overnight!'

'We've never read so many books over the summer before!'

There's also a website the children can visit: wildworldheroes.org.uk. It has ideas of books to read, games to play, competitions to enter and more....

I have enclosed a flyer about the Summer Reading Challenge and would be grateful if you could share it in your newsletters to parents and carers.

For more information about the Summer Reading Challenge in Oxfordshire Libraries, visit

www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/summerreadingchallenge

Many thanks, Jake Tilling Witney Library Manager Welch Way

#### **Mental Health support**

**Dear Parents** 

We would like to introduce ourselves here at APCAM. We are a small, locally based charity supporting families, children and young people with all aspects of mental health. APCAM is run by parents who know first-hand the struggles of caring for children and young people with mental health difficulties.

APCAM have a vast wealth of knowledge with highly qualified Child and Adolescent Counsellors on hand to talk to.

If you find yourself in need of support, please reach out to us for an informal chat.

We hold weekly drop-in clinics starting Tuesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> July at 09:30am at the Allendale Hall in Carterton, along with appointment-based sessions on a Wednesday.

You can learn more about ourselves, or contact us directly via our Facebook Page -

https://www.facebook.com/apcamgroup

#### Pizza Making in Year 6 with Noah.



#### Bronwyn is having her hair cut!!



Bronwyn has decided to have her hair cut to support the Princess Trust.

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/bronwyntandy

Thanks to everyone at the school who is supporting her.

Kind regards, Charlene Tandy

#### A letter from the Queen!

Dottie has received a letter from the Queen regarding the environment. Please follow our Facebook page to hear more about this.

#### **School Treasure Hunt**

The BSA are still hoping to run this event and if you are interested in taking part on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June, please contact the BSA.