

Letter 14– 2021/22

10/12/21

Dear All,

This week we were visited by many stars as the cast of Shine Star Shine took to the stage. Oak and Poplar class captured the miracle of Christmas with their wonderful version of the nativity. We were all able to appreciate the importance of family, inclusion and the hope and love that Jesus’s birth brings to the world.

Thank you to everyone who came and supported, the staff for their dedication and hard work and the children for their enthusiasm!



*This week we said farewell to Steve and his building crew. The children made gifts for members of the team and presented them during a special lunch. We are sad to see T&B leave the site - it has been great to have them around belonging to the school team.*



Thank you to everyone who is parking considerately.

Please consider if you drive to school making some changes to your New Year routines:

Could you cycle to school like Mrs Howard?

Could you park a street or two away and walk the

last few meters?

Could you park at the football club and walk down?

We are receiving many calls from residents about parking – people are blocking drives, churning up the grass by the park and parking in private roads and areas – this is very stressful for residents and for staff who have to take very difficult phone calls – please be more considerate.

If you witness poor parking please report it:

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/roads-and-transport/parking/illegal-parking>



### URGENT PARKING NEWS FOR NEXT WEEK

The lane which runs around the big park and the back of the houses opposite the school is going to be closed from 8am on 14th December and not reopen until 4:30pm on the 16th. I've attached a photo of the signs that have been put up.

I know some parents use that lane to park on. But also, most of the other houses which back on to that lane use it to get to their driveways (us included). With the closure all of us will need to find alternative parking meaning there will be even less space around the school during that time.

We are always happy to hear about the brilliant club's and activities our student's do outside of School. If your child would like to celebrate an achievement please can you send photos and information to your class teacher email (copy Katy in as well for the newsletter) – they will then put this information in the Shine Time book and will let you know when your next achievement worship is.

Congratulations to Evie who can now swim 10m which is a phenomenal achievement in KS1 – we hope to celebrate her Olympic achievements in the future

Louisa in Poplar class competed in her Gymnastic club annual tournament against all the other year 1 gymnasts and as well as winning individual three medals, she also won the best overall gymnast.



Aaliyah in Oak class has won 'Dancer of the Month' at her dance school!

Joshua has completed this 6 week course in introduction to skiing. He's been working on mastering his turns and stopping, he enjoys going fast down the slope!





Thanks to everyone who supported The Royal British Legion this year. We raised a tremendous £100.32. We had a lovely letter from the local organisers thanking us for our efforts.

### Book Amnesty

Please can you return all school books this week. We need to sort out all of our reading books as part of an audit we are completing. Please just send them back by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December. Thanks

### End of term dates

7	14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	2.45pm – Beech and Willow Certificates and ukulele concert in the hall	Parents and guardians of these classes welcome
	15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9am – Poplar certificates in the hall –	Poplar parents/guardians welcome
	15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	School Christmas Dinner – wear a Christmas jumper for Save the Children – this will go ahead	£1 per jumper
	16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9am Oak certificates in the hall	Oak parents/guardians welcome
	17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Maple Space project open session in the hall and certificates	Maple parents/guardians welcome
	17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	School ends 1.15pm	

**The Christingle service – KS2 will be filmed and links sent out**



**Term 2**

**Please note some dates are subject to change but this is an overview**

<b>Week</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Notes</b>
1	3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	Bank holiday	
	4 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Inset day	
	5 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Joseph rehearsals start	
	6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Tea and coffee for parents 8.45am	
	7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	KS2 certificate worship	
2	Clubs start this week		
	11 <sup>th</sup> Jan	KS3&4 Swimming starts	
	14 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Oak and Poplar certificate worship	
	14 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Hot food – BOBS after school	
3	20 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Poetry workshops – KS2	
	21 <sup>st</sup> Jan	Hot food – BOBS after school	
4	24 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Maple Mosque visit	
	28 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Hot food – BOBS after school	
5	31 <sup>st</sup> Jan	Parent tea and coffee 2.30pm	
	4 <sup>th</sup> Feb	KS2 certificate worship	
	4 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Hot food – BOBS after school	
6	11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Internet safety day	
	11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Poplar and Oak certificates	
		Hot food – BOBS after school	
7	15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Joseph dress rehearsal	
	15 <sup>th</sup> , 16 <sup>th</sup> 17 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Joseph shows	Ticket only
	18 <sup>th</sup> Feb	School closed – additional bank holiday	

**The staff and I hope that you have a lovely weekend – stay safe**

**Mrs Leach and the St Blaise team**