



It has been lovely to welcome our BCS children back to school for term 3, I hope you had a lovely time and found time to reflect on 2024. We have talked about setting goals and maybe making resolutions for the New Year, understanding the importance of making them our own and supporting each other in our quest to make progress with them, however big or small.

This week we welcome Frankie and Teddy and their families to BCS, I know you will ensure that they all feel part of our family.

We have had many visitors since the start of the school year looking for places for Reception in September this year, including on our busy Open Days. I am so proud of our Year 6 children who have all received huge, well deserved praise for their tours around school, they have been described as ‘informative, welcoming, happy, proud and great ambassadors’...fab! The closing date for Primary School applications for September is January 15th. Just a little update on staff, Jade kindly helped us out with lunchtime supervision before Christmas and then started her TA post at a local school. The lunchtime post is due to be advertised very soon and in the meantime Miss Molly Bentley is temporarily assisting with lunchtimes before she returns to university.

As the temperature have plummeted this week, I just want to remind you to take care on your journey to and from school, the smaller roads can be very icy. Please make a little bit more time for your drive rather than rushing. The children have been reminded to put their coats on at break and lunchtimes and to take care on the playground where there may be icy patches.

I have put together a table to outline the Clubs we currently have in place, we are always looking for other opportunities too. I politely remind you to be punctual when picking up from clubs, thank you.

After School Clubs			
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Forest School – 4.30pm with Mrs Lyons (currently full)	TERM 3 ONLY CDC Activators Club – multi sports. Places available book on Arbor	Football club – Ben – limited places, book on Arbor	HotShots basketball (KS2 only) – contact the school office for details and availability
Care club – 4.10pm with Mrs Lewis, book on Arbor		Care club – 4.10pm with Mrs Lewis, book on Arbor	

Dashwood also offer an after school provision, Dawn and her team collect from BCS at the end of each day.

It looks to be a chilly one this weekend, so wrap up warm and take care when out and about.

Best wishes

Mrs Stevenson

Stars of the Week

A positive start to term 3:

Kai

Felicity

India P

Ethan F

Emma

Chloe

Ricky

Values - Comapassion:

Rose H

Fred B

Theo W

Tegan

House Point Totals

Ospreys	Hawks	Falcons	Eagles
1255	1263	1360	1203

Dates for your diary (updated regularly)

2024/2025

Term 3

Mon 13 th Jan	Curriculum gymnastics for class 3 (PM PE time)
Fri 17 th Jan	2.45pm Celebration assembly – families welcome
Tues 21 st Jan	Class 4 trip to the Imperial War Museum
Thurs 23 rd Jan	Yr 5 / 6 Sports Hall athletics, 3.15 – 5.15pm (parents to transport) at Warriner (spectators welcome)
Thurs 30 th Jan	Junior Citizens – Year 6, Oxford
Fri 31 st Jan	2.45pm Celebration assembly, families welcome
Thurs 13 th Feb	T1 rugby festival -AM - at The Warriner
Fri 14 th Feb	2.45pm Celebration assembly, families welcome
	End of term 3
Mon 24 th Feb	Start of term 4
Fri 7 th March	2.45pm Celebration assembly, families welcome
Fri 21 st March	2.45pm Celebration assembly, families welcome
Weds 26 th March	Mother's Day stall
Weds 2 nd April	Parent consultation
Thurs 3 rd April	1.30pm & 6pm Class 3 play
Fri 4 th April	Easter assembly from 2.35pm – families welcome
	End of term 4
Tues 22 nd April	Start of Term 5
Thurs 24 th April	Year 5 bench ball competition at Warriner – 4.30pm finish
	Year 5 Open evening at The Warriner
w/b 12 th May	Year 6 SATS
Friday 23 rd May	Spring festival – from 1.30pm
Friday 27 th June	Sports Day – from 1.15p
Thurs 17 th July	Class 4 play –1.30pm & 6pm

We will continue to invite families to join us for Friday afternoon celebration assemblies, usually fortnightly

PARKRUN 2025

If you have made a commitment to greater levels of fitness and 60 Active minutes a day with you and your family, why not try the brilliant **FREE PARKRUNS** - put on by volunteers at SPICEBALL PARK, BANBURY each week, Saturday and Sunday 9am (register at 8.30am).

You **MUST REGISTER ONLINE** before, you can't just turn up, but after that everything is free and easy to be involved. An extra day, **Sunday** has been added for a **Junior 4 - 14 yrs** focus.

Location - SPICEBALL, PARK, BANBURY

[home](#) | [Banbury parkrun](#) | [Banbury parkrun](#)

JUNIOR PARKRUN- Sun 9am - 4 - 14 yr olds

[home](#) | [Spiceball Country Park junior parkrun](#) | [Spiceball Country Park junior parkrun](#)

Freddies Futures

We are still collecting stamps!

Here is a message from Nicole, Mum of Stanley in year 2:

'Stanley is in year 2 at the school, and has a big brother called Freddie who is 10 years old. Freddie is a bit of a hero and has been through way more than any child ever should. At just 6 years old he was diagnosed with a type of bone cancer called Ewing sarcoma. He spent 9 months going through the gruelling treatment attached to this awful childhood cancer.

You can read his full story here www.bcrct.org.uk/freddiesfuture

We started our charity - Freddie's Future (part of the Bone Cancer Research Trust) once treatment was over as we couldn't believe how little funding there was, and have been fundraising to better treatment for children like Freddie ever since.

As part of our fundraising, we have various stamp collection points for people to put their used stamps in, which can then be sold to raise funds. We are very grateful to Bishop Carpenter for volunteering to be a collection point for us, and hope we get some nice full boxes very soon!

So, next time you have a letter in the post (or your neighbours and other family do) pop the stamp into the box in the foyer at school and, together, we can do our little bit to help Stanley's family raise funds for his big brother's charity.

Thank you, Mrs Stevenson

FARM & FOREST WINTER CAMP

@ WARRINER SCHOOL FARM, BLOXHAM

18TH-20TH FEBRUARY

February half-term fun for kids aged 8-12

FROM £20 PER CHILD

AM (9AM-12PM), PM (1-4PM) & FULL-DAY SESSIONS AVAILABLE

- Wild crafts - Den building
- Campfire cookouts - Nature trails
- Meet the farm animals - Bug hunts
- Outdoor games - Mud kitchen
- Tree climbing - Rope swing - & more!

Email farm@warriner.oxon.sch.uk or call 01295 721471 to register

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Warriner School Farm
Warriner School Farm, Bloxham Grove Road,
Bloxham, Oxfordshire, OX15 4LJ

 Warriner School Farm



TERM DATES 2024-2025 – FINAL

TERM 1

Inset Day **Monday 2nd September 2024**

Inset Day **Tuesday 3rd September 2024**

Start of Term 1 – Wednesday 4th September 2024

End of Term 1 - Thursday 24th October 2024

Inset Day **Friday 25th October 2024**

TERM 2

Start of Term 2 - Monday 4th November 2024

End of Term 2 - Friday 20th December 2024

(TBC Friday 20th Dec – Christingle service, early finish, 2pm)

TERM 3

Inset Day **Monday 6th January 2025**

Start of Term 3 – Tuesday 7th January 2025

End of Term 3 - Friday 14th February 2025

TERM 4

Start of Term 4 – Monday 24th February 2025

End of Term 4 - Friday 4th April 2025

TERM 5

Start of Term 5 – Tuesday 22nd April 2025

End of Term 5 – Friday 23rd May 2025

Bank Holidays – Monday 21st April 2025

Monday 5th May 2025

TERM 6

Inset Day **Monday 2nd June 2025**

Start of Term 6 – Tuesday 3rd June 2025

End of Term 6 – Tuesday 22nd July 2025

(Tuesday 22nd – Leavers service at 11 am, family picnic afterwards, 1.15pm finish)

Contemplative, Compassionate and Courageous

REMINDERS/NOTICES

- When waiting for the doors to be opened in the morning please remind children who are running about that the patio slabs are a little uneven in places. I also ask that they do not jump across the gaps at the top of the steps – Thanks
- A reminder not to wait for children out on the road at the end of school
- Please ensure you drive down School Lane towards school slowly, there are quite often children and their families walking down the road to school too.
- [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)
- Please use the office email office.3302@bishop-carpenter.oxon.sch.uk should you need to make any enquiries, I will ensure they are addressed as appropriate. This email address is checked by me, daily. I respectfully request that emails **are not sent to staff after 7pm during the week or over the weekend,** unless it is an urgent query/update. Most email accounts allow you to 'schedule' send emails rather than send instantly.
- Parking 1 – the playground is priority parking for class 1 and 2 parents in the afternoon, also disabled drivers and the taxi.
- Parking 2 - When parking in the village at drop off and pick up, please ensure you are not blocking driveways (including either side of gateways) and not using grass verges. There is additional parking along the road further up the village and it's just a short walk down. **Please avoid arriving at school too early as this also blocks the road and residents can't get off their drives,** gates will open at 3pm.
- It is lovely to meet your 'furry' friends but I politely insist that dogs are not brought (walked) onto the school site. Thank you for your cooperation with this.
- WMAT vacancies link

[Vacancies - Warriner Multi-Academy Trust \(warrinermultiacademytrust.co.uk\)](https://warrinermultiacademytrust.co.uk)

There are only two lasting bequests we can hope to give our children. One of these is roots, the other, wings.

In being rooted in knowing we are all loved by God, we are then able to be more aware of our God given wings to fly and to flourish, to bear fruit in our lives, fruit of the Holy Spirit, fruit that will last. (John 15 v16)