

Newsletter

News from Mr Edwards-Grundy

It has been great to welcome your children back to school after the Easter break, it has even felt a bit more like Spring this week!

This week in Collective Worship we started to think about our new Value of Wisdom. In response to the question, 'What is Wisdom?' your children came up with some really great answers and we were all clear that Wisdom is definitely not about how good you are at your times tables, or how quickly you can read a book.

We looked together at what the Bible says about Wisdom, particularly in the book of Proverbs –

Blessed in the one who finds wisdom, and the one who gets understanding, for the gain from her is better than gain from silver and her profit better than gold.

Wisdom is a tree of life to those who take hold of her and happy are all who hold her fast.

Do not forsake wisdom and she will guard you. Love her and she will watch over you.

As we discussed these Proverbs and our own thoughts on Wisdom, we agreed that Wisdom is all about the good choices that we make.

At the beginning of this new term, reflecting on the decisions we make feels like a very good place to start. As we all settle down into this busy term, making good and wise choices will help us to flourish as a community and to get the best out of our time together.

Welcome to the Wood Green Brass Group

It was an absolute joy to welcome five brass players from Wood Green School to entertain and inspire our children. The children, and the admin team who were enjoying the fabulous sound from their offices, were all left singing and smiling as the brass players shared some popular and catchy tunes. The visiting students were also joined by two current pupils at The Blake, who are learning the trombone. If your child was inspired by the music and would like to learn a brass instrument, please see the attached flyer for more details of how they can do this.



Our thanks to Wood Green School for sharing their very talented musicians with us.

News from Beyond the School

On Thursday and Friday of this week, the children from Year 4 have been on residential at Clanfield, which is the base of Adventure+. The A+ team is used to working with us, as we partner with them for our Year 6 residential each year. The children have had the most wonderful time, taking part in a wide range of outdoor activities. Over the weekend, we will be adding more photos from the trip to the Year page - https://www.blake.oxon.sch.uk/web/year_4/662626



The Friends Easter Egg Trail

Thank you to everyone who joined in the Easter egg trail – you raised an impressive £150, which will go towards providing extras for your children or reducing trip costs.

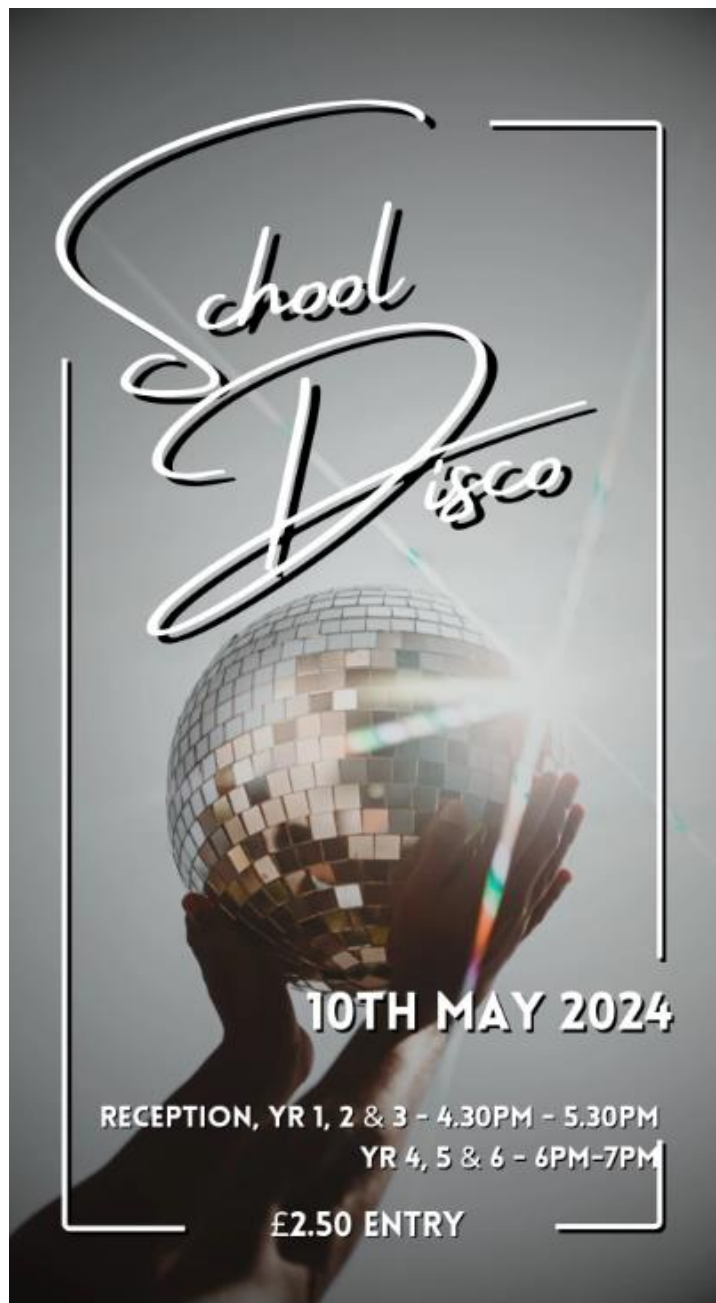
Everyone who bought a trail sheet was entered into the draw. Five names were drawn out of the hat to receive a prize. The winners were – Theodore from Year 1, Riley E and Natalie from Year 2, Gabriella from Year 4 and Megan from Year 6.

Congratulations to our Choir

As we shared with you last term, our Choir so impressed the judges at the Chipping Norton Music Festival that they were invited back to sing at the final concert. This week we were sent the official photographs. Well done everyone involved.



Early next week, children will be bringing home letters about choir for the remainder of the academic year. Choir will start again on Thursday of next week.



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