# What's on?

### Diary dates

We have added some more dates for your diaries...

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September - Lower School Sports

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September – Harvest Donations

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October – Early Years to Cogges Farm

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October – Year 5 Greek Day

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October – Flu immunisations

Thursday 12th October - Parents' evening

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October – Year 4 Harvest Experience

Tuesday 17th October – Parents' evening

Thursday 19th October – Photos of children

Friday 20th October – INSET day

Friday 1st December – Pantomime in school

#### Flu immunisations

On Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October, the flu vaccine will be given to all children whilst they are in school. Flu can be caught and spread easily so vaccinating them also protects others e.g. babies and older people.

For most children the vaccination is painless and given by a quick and simple spray up the nose. You may choose for the vaccine to be given by intramuscular injection, if you object to the nasal vaccination on the grounds of its contents (Porcine Gelatine).

Please read more about the vaccination here.

Whether or not you wish your child to have the vaccine, please complete the online form <a href="https://www.oxfordhealthimms.co.uk/Forms/Flu">https://www.oxfordhealthimms.co.uk/Forms/Flu</a>

You will need the school's unique code – OX141840. Complete a separate form for each of your children.

# Children in Year 6

The transfer window is now open for parents of children in Year 6 to apply for a place in Year 7 in September 2024. The national closing date is **31**<sup>st</sup> **October 2023**.

You can find all the information that you need to apply for a place at <a href="www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions">www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions</a>.

Applying online is quick, easy and secure. You will receive an email confirmation that your application has been received.

Applying before the deadline maximises the chances of your child being offered a place at the school of their choice.

You will be sent an email on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024 telling you where your child has been offered a place.

We have already sent out information about Open Days at both Henry Box and Wood Green, do take these opportunities to visit the schools and find out more about them.

# Starting School in September 2024

Children who will be 5 during the academic year 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024 – 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025 will need to apply for a place at Primary School by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

If you have a child who will be starting school in September, or you have a friend who has children who will be starting school in September, please encourage them to apply online. They can find more information at <a href="https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/apply-school-place/reception-applications">https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/apply-school-place/reception-applications</a>
Applications can be made after 1st
November 2023.



## Around Blake Care

It has been wonderful to welcome so many children to our wrap-around provision (ABC).

Please can we remind all parents that our morning session does not begin until 7:40am and the afternoon session ends at 5:30pm?

We understand that from time to time there are accidents and unforeseen issues that may mean that you will be late. As staff are only paid until 5.30pm, if you are routinely late picking up, we will have to make an additional charge.

Please do ring the school if you are unavoidably delayed coming to pick up your child so that staffing can be put in place.





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