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Weekly **Parent Prayer Reminder!** Monday 22nd April 9am, Small Meeting Room Parents' prayers for the Blue school community. We also take prayer requests. Everyone is welcome.



Dignity

This week in worship we have been thinking about how the disciples talked about the meaning of Jesus' life. We have also talked about 'Hope'.

On Monday Ms Jones discussed the passage from Luke, chapter 24, verses 36-39 when Jesus spoke to his disciples and said "peace be with you". He showed them to always have hope in him and that he would always be with them.

During our singing worship on Tuesday, children sang 'In Christ Alone' and 'Amazing Grace'.

Reverend Joe visited on Wednesday and discussed the importance of prayer for Christians. We watched an interesting clip of children sharing their views on why they pray. We read the Lord's prayer together and loved singing the song 'King of Me!'

During in-class worship on Thursday we revisited the story of the Prodigal Son. Children shared examples of experiences they have about forgiving and helping others. On Friday, we discussed the experiences shared during in-class worship and children shared their hopes and aspirations for their futures.

Y6 Easter Services at St John's Isleworth



Year 6 finished the Spring term by leading their parents and years 4 and 5 in a wonderful church service to celebrate the hope and joy of Easter.

We were fortunate that Reverend Dave hosted us at St John's church, so we were also able to thank Rev Dave for all that he has done for the Blue School and wish him well in his next church.

During the service, year 6 reflected on the hope that we can find in the Easter story and the joy that we can experience from knowing the risen Jesus.

Thank you year 6 for leading us with wonderful bible verses, poems and worship songs, highlighting the true meaning of the Easter story.



Y5 have been



away this week on their WW2 Residential. We will send their highlights in the next newsletter, but here's a sneak peak!



Nursery Silverhall Park Trip





On Wednesday morning, Nursery went on our first trip out of school. We went to Silverhall park for a minibeast hunt. We found many including ladybirds, spiders, butterflies and ants. The children had a clipboard of pictures of minibeasts and they were encouraged to tick off as they saw them. We also saw ducks and squirrels. At the end of our visit we had a group photo and then we walked back. It was a very successful trip. Thank you to the parents who came with us on our trip.



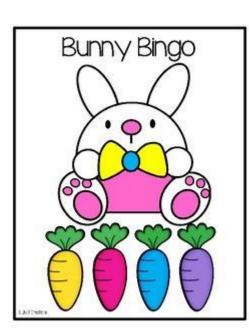
The week before Easter, the choir performed some songs, in front of parents, with St Paul's primary school and secondary pupils from the Green School for Girls in their main hall. It was a friendly and warm atmosphere and everyone agreed it was an event that should happen again. The singing project involved some of the Blue School choir visiting the Green School once a week and practising songs between 3 and 4pm. It was a brilliant experience for them to perform but also to experience visiting a secondary school on a local basis.

Eden from Year 5 Ash said, "It was a bit nerve wracking but I just carried on singing and it was fine! It was great to visit a secondary school and I'd like to do it again."

Special thanks to Amanda Green, music teacher at the Green School for Girls, for putting together such a varied performance to entertain us of group singing, solo singing and instrumental performances!

Choir takes place once a week on Thursday lunchtimes in Sycamores at 12.25pm, when clubs have started. We have a core group of singers from Year 5 who have been coming regularly for a few years and have recently been joined by a large group of Year 3 children. This term, we could accommodate 5-10 children from Year 4 and all the children who were coming along before our Royal Albert Hall trip. From September onwards, choir will be open to anyone who would like to audition for it.

Miss Cowley (Music & French Teacher)





It's not too late to join in the fun at **Bunny Bingo** next Thursday - details here





Headteacher Vacancy

Class Teacher Vacancy

Anti-bullying Policy

Term Dates

2023-2024 & 2024-2025 Academic Year

Class Worship

All parents and carers are warmly invited to their child's Class Worship

3rd May Y2 Pandas 10th May Y2 Zebras

(9.00-9.20am) Please enter the school via the North Street hall entrance (No photography permitted)

School Trip



Skylarks is a wonderful local charity with many resources, events and opportunities for children with special and educational needs. More info here

Summer Uniform

Remember to dress your child in the summer uniform. In colder weather, girls are permitted to still wear tights and boys are allowed to wear trousers until the first May Bank Holiday, 6 May.

Do you know of a local business looking for a regular private hire space?

Our Main Hall will now be available Mondays, Tuesdays & Thursdays from 5:30pm after the Easter Holidays. Please get in touch with Mrs Wildgust for more information and pricing: finance@theblueschool.com

Payment Deadlines

Y6-PGL Residential - Due 30 April Y5 - Painshill Park - Due 20 May Reception Hampton Court - Due 15 June

Y1 & Y3 trips to follow...

If you have any outstanding payments from previous trips or workshops, please contact finance@theblueschool.com to settle payment or if you are facing financial difficulties please email our headship team to discuss: head@theblueschool.com

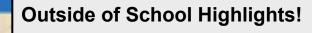
Music & Clubs Summer Term 2024

If you would like your Y3-6 child to learn a musical instrument please get in touch with Hounslow Music Service for availability.

Summer clubs are now live-link here

Applying for Free School Meals & **Pupil Premium**

With the changing situation to most people's finances, it might be a good time to apply for FSM or see if you are entitled. If you qualify for FSM, you will also qualify for Pupil Premium which will enable your child to have free music tuition, clubs, school trips and other benefits. LBH Free School Meals info More information on our website





During the Easter break, Isla in Y1 Rabbits was awarded her first colour belt at Elite Martial Arts Richmond after passing her grading exam. At the grading ceremony, Sensei Simeon told the crowd that "Isla is a very disciplined girl, she always listens, always smiles and always works hard." Isla wants to continue her training to move up to the next belt. She dreams of competing at the English Open tournament to represent her dojo, and make her Sensei proud. Her dojo was recently ranked 'Best Academy' out

of 44 in the UK.

Jakub Shines Bright at the Kyokushin Karate Tournament in Milton Keynes! Jakub from Year 3 Elms recently participated in a Kyokushin Karate tournament and achieved a remarkable third place in his category. The competition was fierce, with skilled fighters from across the country gathering for the prestigious English Open. Jakub faced tough opponents throughout the tournament, demonstrating resilience, determination, and remarkable skill. His outstanding performance is a testament to his hard work and dedication. Congratulations, Jakub!

Rhea of Year 1 Rabbits after a year long of hard work, has achieved her Level 1 Gymnastics Award at Spelthorne Gymnastics. She was able to perform at a competent level forward/backward rolling, a cartwheel, a tuck headstand, vaulting, trampolining and holding a bridge. Well done Rhea!



If your child has achieved something special outside of school, please email office@theblueschool.com so we can share with the school community!

