# BCS NEWS

## 25th April 2025



I hope you all had a lovely Easter holiday and spent time with loved ones.

Thank you to Mrs Barron and her family for taking the Class 1 and 2 'Chrysalis' home over the Easter holiday. We were delighted to watch the video of them fluttering around her garden when they were released. It has been a great opportunity to watch the lifecycle changes over last term.

Class 1 to 3 parents will have picked up an Arbor mail about an exciting opportunity starting next week. We welcome back Lucy Franko who is offering a 4 week block of after school yoga. Please follow the information in the arbor mail if you would like to book your child on.

Over the Easter holidays we received information about the new Reception children who will join us in September, we look forward to welcoming them into our BCS family, they will spend some time with us next term. We currently have a couple of spaces for September if you know of any families looking for an alternative place to the one they have been offered.

Huge congratulations to our Year 5 Benchball team: Alicia, Alice, Oliver, Rose, Chloe, Sebastian, Indigo, Willow and Siena. They demonstrated brilliant teamwork and determination at the festival yesterday and were undefeated across ALL six of their games. Well done!

Just a reminder that we will host our Spring festival on the last Friday of this term, starting at 1.30pm. This is an outdoor event (weather permitting) and parking will be located on the top field.

Have a nice weekend, best wishes

Mrs Stevenson

#### Message from FOBCS:

We will be having an 'Adopt a Teddy' stall at this year's Spring Festival (23rd May) and are looking for donations of any soft toys you no longer want.

If you do have something that you think would be suitable, please leave in the office for us to collect.

	Stars of the Week				
<u>Teamwork:</u>	India Mc	Violet	Taliyah		
	Blake	Brooke	Henry	Siena	
<u> Values - Courage:</u>	Ella	Theo W	Harry	Algy	

## **House Point Totals**

Ospreys	<mark>Hawks</mark>	Falcons	<b>Eagles</b>
2706	2673	2682	2795

Dates for your diary (updated regularly)

#### 2024/2025

#### Term 4

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May BCS hosting Elections

Class 1 and 2 trip to Compton Verney

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May Celebration assembly – families welcome, 2.45pm

Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> May Year 1 & 2 Multi Skills – AM at the Warriner

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Mau Non uniform – bottle stall donations for the Spring Fayre

w/b 12<sup>th</sup> May Year 6 SATS

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May Celebration assembly – families welcome, 2.45pm

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May Spring festival – from 1.30pm

Mon 9<sup>th</sup> June Class photos & Whole School photo

Weds 11<sup>th</sup> June Father's Day stall

Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> June KS 2 Quad Kids – AM at Warriner

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June Celebration assembly – families welcome, 2.45pm

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June Sports Day – from 1.15pm

Mon & Tues 30<sup>th</sup>June/1<sup>st</sup> Jul Induction Day s at Warriner / BGN / NOA / Wykham Park

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July Celebration assembly – families welcome, 2.45pm

Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> July Class 4 play –1.30pm & 6pm

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> July End of year DISCOs

Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> July End of term – Leavers service at 11am, followed by picnic at 12, finish at 1pm

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

<u>Year 5 'undefeated' Bench Ball Team – Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April – Warriner School</u>







Well done to Alicia, Chloe, Alice, Willow, Siena, Indigo, Rose, Oliver, Sebastian!

#### **FOBCS Updated**

#### **Dates for the diary:**

#### **FoBCS**

Our next event is the Spring Fayre, the main fundraiser of the year, which is being held on Friday 23rd May this year.

During the Fayre we hold a raffle, where you can win some amazing prizes.

We are now in the process of contacting local businesses for prize donations, and are looking for 3 top prizes to be printed on the raffle tickets. If anyone knows of any businesses who can support, please speak to a member of the FoBCS team. Thank you.

Finally, could we ask that you please bear us in mind if you are having a spring clean over Easter and have any unwanted teddies, as these could make great gifts for our 'Adopt a Teddy' stall at the Spring Fayre.

#### **Dates for the diary:**

23rd May - Spring Fayre

11th June - Father's Day Stall

27th June - Sports Day Refreshment Stall

18th July - End of School Year Disco

Ice Pop Friday and Tuck Shop Friday to be organised accordingly.



## TERM DATES 2024-2025 - FINAL

#### TERM 1

Inset Day Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024

Inset Day Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025

Bank Holidays - Monday 21st April 2025

Monday 5th May 2025

#### TERM 6

Inset Day Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025

Start of Term 6 - Tuesday 3rd June 2025

End of Term 6 - Tuesday 22nd July 2025

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

## \*\*\*\*\*\*\*TERM DATES 2025-2026\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

#### TERM 1

Inset Day Monday 1st September 2025

Inset Day Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025

Start of Term 1 – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025

End of Term 1 - Friday 24th October 2025

#### TERM 2

Start of Term 2 - Monday 3rd November 2025

End of Term 2 - Friday 19th December 2025

(TBC Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christingle service, early finish, 2pm pick up)

#### TERM 3

Inset Day Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Start of Term 3 – Tuesday 6th January 2026

End of Term 3 - Friday 13th February 2026

#### **TERM 4**

Start of Term 4 – Monday 23rd February 2026

End of Term 4 - Friday 27th March 2026

#### **TERM 5**

Start of Term 5 – Monday 13th April 2026

End of Term 5 - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

Bank Holiday (term time) - Monday 4th May 2026

#### **TERM 6**

Inset Day Monday 1st June 2026

Start of Term 6 - Tuesday 2nd June 2026

End of Term 6 – Friday 17th July 2026

(Friday 17th June – Leavers service at 11 am, family picnic afterwards, 1.15pm finish)

Inset Day Monday 20th July 2026

## **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
- 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)
- Please use the office email <u>office.3302@bishop-carpenter.oxon.sch.uk</u> 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)

- Punctuality Our school doors open at 8.30am and our learning day begins at 8.45am. We have a lot to pack into our day and week, and want all of our children to start at the same time. We are unable to start our RWI phonics programme (delivered Mon-Thurs) until all children are in school, so please make a positive effort to arrive punctually in the morning. Similarly at the end of the day, pick up time is 3.10pm, there are an increasing number of families arriving late (sometimes unavoidably), often past 3.20pm. Staff also have things to do, places to be at the of their working day and have sometimes been delayed. Thank you for your support and cooperation.
- Water bottles We have a small supply of paper cups for children to use when they require a drink
  of water. Please ensure your child comes to school equipped with a water bottle every day.
   Keeping hydrated is vital for their health and well-being, having a water bottle encourages good
  habits. Thank you.
- Just a gentle reminder that a Healthy snack can be included for your child to have at breaktime, this should not include sweets, chocolate, pepperami sticks, this also applies to packed lunches, in terms of aiming for a balance of healthy choices. There are some suggestions on this website:
   <u>Healthier snacks Food facts Healthier Families NHS</u>. We do provide a fruit/veg snack for KS1 children for their afternoon break, we are also a nut free school.

- Parking Parking on the playground can look quite chaotic at the end of the day. If you are in a
  rush, it may also mean that you are not fully concentrating, creating a risk of not noticing if a
  child/adult pedestrian is around. Please be mindful of making a sensible choice of where to park,
  this includes when parking in the village. Thank you.
- Please do not allow children to go onto the field and on the equipment after school at pick up time. There are many cars on the playground and often children are running off the bank straight onto the car park, without looking. Thank you.

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)