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A note from the headteacher

Welcome back to term 3. It is great seeing everyone back in school after the Christmas break.

This term began with a wave of a magic wand from our fairy godmother aka FOBS and the whole school was transported to The Oxford Playhouse to watch Cinderella. The children had an amazing time, joining in wholeheartedly with the cast. Lubos even became part of the pantomime going up on stage and joining in with a scene by telling Prince Charming how to find Cinderella; "You need to use evidence and information!" were his instructions, which of course Prince Charming listened to and consequently found his princess. Well done Lubos! Thank you to FOBS for kindly sponsoring the trip and to all the staff for looking after the children so well. It was so lovely to hear from the general public that we have such "well behaved children". To build on this great opportunity the children

will be using the fairy tale as a stimulus for their own writing. I am really looking forward to reading Bladon's twist on Cinderella.



Tracey Fletcher
Head teacher.

If you have any questions or queries concerning the school or your child/children, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher or contact me at school. Alternatively, you can email me at head.3146@bladon.oxon.sch.uk

This week saw the official opening of the Oak Class extension with the Bishop of Dorchester joining us for our celebration. I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to all of the people involved in the project but a special thank you to Bob Taylor; without his vision, hard-work and commitment to making the school even better this would not have happened. Thank you too, to FOBS for our lovely tea and cake and to the many of you who joined us in the celebration.



On a sportier note it was great to see so many of our parents attending 'Boot Camp' on Monday with Matt. The weather may have been grim but the laughter and fun made up for being outside in the cold. We look forward to seeing you next week. If you missed out on Boot Camp this week and would like to join, please see Matt.



After a meeting with FOBS this week about how they could best support the school; they have kindly donated £8000 of the money raised at events over the past year to purchasing ipads for the children. On behalf of the teachers and children, I would like to say a huge thank you to FOBS for organising the many events in school and to all our parents, grandparents and visitors for their support.

Next week we look forward to Young Voices. Children from Bladon will be going to the O2 Arena to sing alongside other choirs from across the country, with an expected 8,500 children all performing at the same time.

Community News:

In conjunction with Help Refugees, Witney Refugee Action, along with High Wycombe Helping Others, is taking part in a January Appeal to put together Hygiene and Baby Care Packs, providing those essentials that we often take for granted; things like soap and a flannel, shampoo, deodorant and a toothbrush. I started putting some packs together to donate and thought I might see if anyone else from Bladon was interested in contributing. You are invited to bring anything you'd like to donate to Rectory Farm Barn, 2B Church Street, Bladon OX20 1RS on the morning of Friday, 20 January any time from 9.30am-12.30pm and join me for a coffee or tea and some cake as a reward for your efforts.

Please note that while they've received a lot of toothbrushes and toothpaste so far, they're short on Vaseline, Infacol, Calpol, nail clippers and tweezers, but anything on the list is appreciated. If you don't have a chance to pick up any of the items but would like to donate just the same, I will club together any funds raised and buy items in bulk to put together into Bladon-sourced packs. And if you can't make it on the day, there will be a bin for collections behind the green gate on our drive until 27 January (unfortunately, I doubt there will be any cake left).

Thank you very much for your kindness and generosity, it is greatly appreciated. Please do let me know if you have any questions and if think you might stop by — I need to be sure I have enough cups! You can reach me on 07754 378512 or by email on amiejack@hotmail.com. I hope to see you on the 20th

Important dates:

Thursday 19th January 2017 – Young Voices Concert
Tuesday 7th February 2017- Oak trip to Hill End
Friday 10th February 2017 – Break up for Half Term