



Bladon Buzz

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A note from the headteacher

Thank you to everyone who has sent get well wishes to Mrs Fletcher. You will be pleased to hear the infection is more under control and she has been allowed home with antibiotics, with lots of rest she should be on the road to recovery.

Some exciting news too, Mrs Perry has had her baby! She was born on 14th November, welcome to the world Sophie Rosamund Perry. Mum and baby are both doing well. We are hoping for a visit soon!

This week was anti-bullying week and we began with an assembly that started a little differently to normal. As the children entered the hall, Matt was welcoming everyone, giving compliments and making them feel valued whilst Mrs Horn seemed to be a little rude giving short instructions and telling them off for talking. There were some very confused looks from the children! At the start of the assembly I explained that they were in character, Matt was showing lots of respect, Mrs Horn not so much. We discussed how it made them feel. Lots of children said Matt made them feel happy, valued and liked however Mrs Horn made them feel a little sad or upset. We talked about the choice we have in whether to show respect or not.

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

In Willow Class, the children discussed times when people don't feel respected and how this can lead to bullying. We shared an acronym for helping to understand what counts as bullying: STOP = Several Times On Purpose. The children were very engaged talking about different types of bullying and how hard it can be to report it.

In Oak Class, they looked at the effect that gossip and rumours had on people. They compared unkind comments to the effect of dropping an apple – the outside looks OK, but the damage is done on the inside.

In Apple Class as part of Anti-Bullying Week, we heard the story 'Marshall Armstrong is new to our school'. Told from the perspective of another boy in his class, it explores individual differences and how they shouldn't impact our ability to get along. The children loved it and showed an excellent understanding of the issues a new child would face when joining a school or class.

In Cherry class, we have used the puppets Robbie and Holly to talk about how to be a good friend and what to do if someone upsets you.



Last weekend, some families, staff and governors attended the WWI memorial service in the village. We laid our beautiful poppy wreath at the war memorial, created by many children in the school. Please do go and have a look if you haven't seen it.



Just a reminder that when collecting children from school or club, please can you park in nearby roads and walk up the lane. We have had a few complaints from residents around the school and allotment owners about being blocked in.

Important Dates

Sat 17th Nov – FOBS Bring and Buy Sale 2-4pm

Mon 19th – Fri 23rd Nov – Assessment Week

Fri 30th Nov – Non-uniform day – **Children to bring in sweet jars for the Christmas Fair**

Fri 7th Dec – Bladon Christmas Fayre 5-7pm

Wed 12th Dec – FS/KS1 Nativity Performance 2pm

Wed 12th Dec – KS2 Carol Service 6pm

Thurs 13th Dec – FS/KS1 Nativity Performance 6pm