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WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to all our families after the Easter Holidays!
We hope everyone has had an enjoyable and restful break.

DAYS AND DATES

We are in the process of finalising the Days and Dates for the Summer Term. We will send these out to you as soon as we can.



NON-UNIFORM DAY – FRIDAY 1ST MAY

There will be a non-uniform day to support the PTA on Friday 1st May.
Children can wear their own clothes that day if they bring a £1 donation for the PTA.

Funds raised by the PTA are used to enhance our provision for the Blue Coat children in many different ways throughout the year.



EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUB NEWS

There are still a small number of places left in our new **Infant School Girls' cricket club** on Wednesdays. Please let the office know if you would like a place for your daughter.

We have sent out a booking form for a new additional **Multi-sports club for Year 5 and 6** on Fridays. Please return the form as soon as possible to secure a place for your child.

Debate Club has now ended.

Rackets Cubed starts again Thursday 30th April

There may be some spaces available in different clubs. Please check with the office staff if your child would be interested in a place.

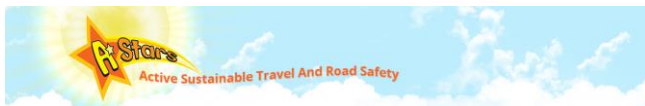


A STARS COMPETITION - DESIGN A POSTER

Design a poster that encourages the community to think of ways to make the air around school cleaner. **Hand in your entries in by next Wednesday (22nd April).**

Some ideas:

- Reduce vehicle pollution in the area by using Park and Stride or walking, scooting or cycling to school;
- Plant more trees and plants on the school site as these absorb pollutants and produce



CLASS ATTENDANCE WINNERS



Infants— Dolphins 98.93%

Juniors— 4OB 98%



YOUR CHILD'S TERMLY PROGRESS SUMMARY

Next week we will email you your child's termly progress summary. This will add to the information you were sent earlier in the year which provided an end of Autumn Term summary. This report will show you details of your child's attendance, conduct and learning over the Spring Term. You will be able to compare their levels to where they were at the end of the Autumn Term.

We hope that you will find your child's summary useful. If you have any queries about this information, please speak to your child's class teacher.

KEEPING THE BLUE COAT CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE – THANK YOU

We would like to thank our community of parents and carers for following advice about keeping children safe online by monitoring and carefully structuring access to mobile phones, gaming equipment and computers at home. We are pleased to have noticed a marked reduction in the number of Blue Coat children accessing upsetting or harmful content online outside school. The safety of every Blue Coat child is always our priority and we want to maintain the strong collaboration of our community of children, parents/carers and staff working together to ensure this.

Here is a reminder of some important points:

- **Due to minimum age requirements, infant and junior children should not be using WhatsApp, Snapchat or other social media apps at all;**
- WhatsApp terms and conditions mean that you need to be 16 to use WhatsApp;
- Nearly all other social media services require users to be at least 13 years of age to access and use their services. This includes Facebook, Snapchat, Twitter, Instagram, TikTok and Discord;
- Avoid group chats – these are not appropriate for primary aged children, they are areas where children can stray into unacceptable behaviour away from any adult supervision, leading to children becoming hurt or upset;
- If your child sees something that upsets them or makes them feel uncomfortable, they should take a screen shot and show it to a trusted adult straightaway;
- Behaviour that would be unacceptable in a face to face situation is also unacceptable on the internet or social media;
- Children should not have access to their phones after their bedtime. Have a place downstairs where mobile phones are left at night.
- Children should be happy and comfortable with an adult checking all of their mobile phone content; messages, videos, photographs and drafts within TikTok etc.
- Children should not have passcodes locking their phones that parents do not know about.

If you are aware of any worrying incidents online that involve Blue Coat pupils, please save any relevant screenshots and show them to a member of Blue Coat staff so that we can investigate and make sure that all the Blue Coat children are safe.

NEW FREE BREAKFAST CLUB – LATEST NEWS

The first week of our new free Breakfast Club based at Blue Coat Academy has been very successful.

If you have a child who is booked on but isn't now going to attend, please let us know if they no longer need the place so we can revise the provision and offer a place to someone else who wants one.

Please remember that an adult needs to drop your child off at 8.15 - doors close at 8.20, and there is no parking on the Academy car park.

The Before School Club operated by Junior Adventures continues to offer places before school from 7.30am every day. Places can be booked at <https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/>



MOBILE ZOO VIST

As part of their Science Curriculum looking at Animals and Life Cycles, the Year 2 children will be enjoying a visit from the Mobile Zoo on Monday 20th April.

He will be bringing a number of interesting creatures with him to show to the children!



THIS WEEK'S ONLINE SAFETY TIP

Screen Time Balance

Healthy routines include time away from screens. Encourage outdoor play, reading and family time alongside digital activities.

