



Blanchelande College



Friday 9th December 2011

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Forthcoming Events:



Monday 12th December ~ Pre-School and Primary Christmas Party

Wednesday 14th December ~ Term Ends at 12 noon

Wednesday, 4th January ~ Staff Inset (no school for pupils)

Thursday, 5th January ~ Term starts at 8.30am

Monday 13th February ~ Friday 17th February inclusive ~ Half Term

Friday 30th March ~ Term Ends



If you would like to purchase photos of the recent Nativity, please go to the following link :

www.gsyphoto.com/p33886202

The password is 'outstanding' and 50% of the cost of all orders goes to the PTA. Our thanks go to Pierre Bisson for this wonderful contribution.

Year 11 are having a Raffle for a white ipod4, which has only just been released and retails at almost £300! Please help them to raise money for their Prom next year. The tickets are on sale for £3.00 ~ don't forget to come and purchase some!

Pre-School

We hope you all enjoyed the Christmas Fayre, lots of fun was had by all!

We have our Christmas Party on Monday, please don't forget to bring in the food that you have ticked off on the list. The children can wear party clothes but please make sure they are still warm enough for outside play.

On Tuesday we have our final Assembly at 2.00pm in South Hall. Please come along. The children can be collected from there at their normal collection time of 2.30pm.

Please bring in a bag so the children can take their work home, this can be placed in their tray.

Apologies if some of you have not received your tea towels back from the Christmas performance, but due to unforeseen circumstances they were used for an emergency! There are still some unclaimed ones in the Infant Department.

Our Wanachi next term is Jessica Watson.

Infants

As we reach the end of the last full week of term, the children are starting to flag a little. We are practising our lines for our Final Assembly on Tuesday afternoon, and wondering if we will all still be well!

There is an Island-wide outbreak of Hand-Foot-and-Mouth infection and we ask you to be aware of the symptoms which include ulcers inside the mouth and on the tongue, a sore throat and blisters on the hands and feet. If your child is unwell please keep them at home until they are better.

Year 1 and 2 are finishing their Design and Technology project, and we invite parents to come up to their classrooms to look at the amazing rooms they have created.

Finally, a reminder that Monday is Party Day and the children may come to school in party clothes - but please bear in mind that they will be going outside for playtimes and clothing needs to be appropriate for these circumstances. If you haven't already signed up to bring in some food, and your child normally has a packed lunch on Mondays, please come and see the list in the main Infant foyer.

Juniors

Year 5 and 6 had their last rugby lesson today. They have thoroughly enjoyed these sessions. Next term we will hopefully be playing football.

Don't forget to bring in party food on Monday 12th December, please check the list outside your child's classroom so you know what you need to bring.

Please make sure that sensible party clothes are worn, and please remember a coat for lunch time and other play times, especially with this cold spell at the moment.

Abi Deller in Year 4 has been shortlisted for The Marlborough Trust Christmas Card Poll. The card that gets the most votes by 6th January wins £500 for the child's school. We need everyone to vote please!

the link is:
www.marlboroughtrust.com/christmas-card-poll/

Thank you.



Seniors

We had our Carol Service on Wednesday evening at St Joseph's Church. It was lovely to see so many of you there and I'm sure you will agree that the pupils represented the school wonderfully, and the mince pies and mulled wine, kindly supplied by the PTA, finished off the evening nicely!

Don't forget that Oxford Learners Dictionary for French or Spanish are available at the special price of £6. Please contact Mr Merfield with your orders and payment.

Whole School Hot Lunches Hilary Term 2012

The Menu for hot lunches will be the same as last term. There is no need to complete another form unless you wish to cancel or you are ordering hot lunches for the first time. However, if you do wish to cancel or would like to make a new request for next term you must let Mrs Hollowell know by Monday 12th December. Hot lunches will resume on Thursday 5th January 2012.

Blanchelande PTA



The Christmas Fayre was a great success last Saturday and the atmosphere was fantastic, many thanks to the Accordion group who added that extra festive magic and Mrs Christmas did a fantastic job at keeping order as excited children queued to see Santa! This year we had a nail painting and tattoo bar, along with face painting, and the children were decorated as nicely as the hall by the time they were leaving! I'm sure you will agree we had some fantastic prizes on the silent Auction and tombola this year. I hope those of you that came along had a great time and enjoyed the games and purchasing from the many fabulous stalls, there really were some lovely things to buy. Our Christmas café served Guernsey bean jar and hotdogs and the homemade cakes were delicious!

I cannot thank enough the parents and staff, who helped the committee in the lead up to and on the day of the Fayre, Without your help it would not have been possible, so THANK YOU!

The Committee would like to especially thank Mr Babbe and Mr Armstrong. They really are invaluable and their continuous hard work is greatly appreciated.

Don't forget to look out for the PTA selling the Fiat 500 affle tickets in Town and at the Friquet. We have sold half of the 1,000 tickets now, so make sure your friends and family know where to buy them from!

Finally the PTA would like to wish you all a very happy and safe Christmas holiday and New Year!

The total we have so far achieved for the PTA, by using our Amazon link, stands at £480.41. So for no extra cost to the individual, the PTA get a percentage of whatever they spend which currently is almost £500 in just a month or two!!!



Don't forget to use the link, which is on the PTA section of our web site, whenever you shop at Amazon. Keep up the good work, it's greatly appreciated!



Kindness in words creates confidence; kindness in thinking creates profoundness; kindness in giving creates love.

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House Point Certificates Awarded

Congratulations to the following pupils on receiving their certificates for achieving Ten Merits:

- ★ Year 5 Phoebe Stewart and Lily Mae Zheng
- ★ Year 9A Demi Lucas
- ★ Year 11A Olivia Maxwell

Congratulations to the following pupils on receiving their certificates for achieving Twenty Five Merits:

- ★ Year 10& Saskia Hollingsworth

Well done to the following pupils on receiving their certificates for achieving Fifty Merits:

- ★ Year 7A Charley Birtwistle and Alisha Flouquet
- ★ Year 8A Isabel Martin, Emily McLaughlin and Imogen Ockleford
- ★ Year 8& Daisy Black and Alicia Van Zanten
- ★ Year 9& Simone Coe and Chloe Tostevin
- ★ Year 10& Isobel Sanders

Well done to the following pupils on receiving their certificates for achieving One Hundred Merits:

- ★ Year 3 Abigail Gill
- ★ Year 4 Isabelle Yeoman
- ★ Year 7A Stephanie Ballay, Fern Despres and Emily Mills
- ★ Year 7& Alicia Bridel, Jessica Carroll, Amber Hockey and Gabrielle Setters
- ★ Year 8A Alicia Carter, Erin Colfer, Kyra Goovaerts and Monique Search
- ★ Year 8& Joanna Way
- ★ Year 9A Harriet Wall-Gibbs
- ★ Year 9& Jenna Tostevin



Who's This Famous Person? Nicolas Coppola

Last week's 'Who's This Famous Person?': Answer: Boy George

