

# BLUE COAT NEWS

November 2019



## Blue Coat News Has Arrived

### Welcome to Blue Coat Primary School's very first newspaper

We are proud to present our very first newspaper and we hope you enjoying the summary of the fun things that take place here at Blue Coat and in the wider community.

We plan to include news about our school and wider community and these will include: a sporting section, Church events, interviews, Future Leader updates, a celebration of children's learning and other exciting features.

We really look forward to informing and entertain you and if you have any suggestions to include in further copies please contact us. That is it for this month's issue but there will hopefully be many more to come. Until then, enjoy!

### Sports Ability: Sports for All

A Sport Ability event took place on Friday 18th October 2019 and the children who proudly represented Blue Coat were: Bobby, Lily, Cooper, Tommy and Tommy. "There were 12 activities,"

explained Bobby "My favourite activity was one where you threw a ball into nets. It was really good fun and I enjoyed being active." Blue Coat came a very respectful 3rd out of 11 other teams.

Two separate football tournaments have also taken place at KLB School and children from MP3. On both occasions the children showed real Blue Coat spirit and pulled together as a team. They also went on to win and will now go on to the County Competitions in December.

#### Fantastic Sportsmanship!



*Well done to the cross country runners who took part in the races this year come rain or shine*



Celebrating Outdoor Classroom Day, a global campaign to celebrate and inspire outdoor learning and play, was enjoyed by all in a usual Blue Coat style with fun, exciting and yet challenging learning opportunities.

# The Best School for Outdoor Play in the UK

At Blue Coat, we are proud and appreciative of our play opportunities and we plan to fill you in with all its current and up and coming news.

our inspirational Play Leader. "And it is a great hit on school grounds," she added. Everyone is welcome so dancers

## Funky Fridays have hit the playground and everyone loves it!

"It's really nice to see everyone dancing," commented Mrs Murray,

at the ready and let's see you on the dance floor.

## Future Leader: it could be you!

In some schools, the title of 'Future Leader' is known as a 'School Councillor'. At Blue Coat, we recognise that the role of our Future Leaders within school fall firmly within leadership. They are a team of committed pupils who are actively involved in the school's strategic decision-making processes and to represent the views of the pupil body. Our Future Leaders have been elected from each Key Stage 1 and 2 class across the school: for the pupils; by the pupils. They express their interest in the role in September. They then prepare to persuade and convince their classmates that they are the one who is best equipped to represent their class in the important decisions that our Future Leaders are asked to make on behalf of the rest of the school.

Next year, it could be you. Are you up to the job?

Hey, scrap lovers! There's a new scrap shed coming to Blue Coat and it might have two entrances so you can walk through one end, pick up some scrap and walk out the other side. All helping to create independent when playing. We might also be getting new scrap to fill the shed, so stay alert.



The newly named boat, 'Moto Moto' is ready for play so let's set sail for a playtime of fun! A warning to you all DO NOT move the painted tyres – anything might happen!



## St Mary's Church: our home from home

The highly anticipated Harvest Festival took place at the beginning of the term. The children celebrated in a variety of interesting ways. There was singing, poems, speeches and much more.

The Year 5s and Year 1s buddied up and enjoyed spending the afternoon together. Mr Ryan was equally impressed and tweeted, 'Well done children, for your harvest celebration at St Mary's Church today.'

Only a few parents attended and helped the children walk from school to the church and back safely. Many thanks to them.



Everyone who took place found it fun and enjoyed singing their favourite songs: Conker's and Harvest Sumba.

The next event to take place at St Mary's will be Christmas! The children are obviously looking forward to that.

## THE CREATIVE WRITERS OF THE FUTURE

Selecting just three examples of outstanding writing across both Key Stages was hard to do, but here goes.

Mr. Grinling went to the lighthouse to clean the light bulb. Mrs. Grindling made a delicious lunch but the seagulls ate it all up. They came up with a plan. They would put Hamish in a different basket. It didn't work. So they put mustard in the sandwiches and it worked. The seagulls didn't like it at all. They went, "Ark yuck ugh!" And Mr. Grindling had a nice lunch.

By Jasper in Class Livingstone

In the shadows, I could feel the biting wind blowing against my face. I could hear children having fun in the play park without me. Without knowing or caring that I was standing in the corner hoping to find a friend to play with. My heart just kept on sinking, feeling the emotion that it always did: sadness.

By Poppy, Class Tabei

### Frogs

Frogs are green

Frogs are green and jumpy

Frogs are green jumpy bumpy

Frogs are green jumpy bumpy amphibians

By Kate in Class Darwin

**DO YOU LIKE CRAFTS?**

Coming up for Christmas is Blue Coat's annual craft fest on the Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December. Everyone is welcome to come along for loads of awesome activities to enjoy making and the bonus is you can take it home at the end of the session. As the weeks went on from the 7<sup>th</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup> of October the children in Year 6 enjoyed taking part in Bikeability. However, it will now be passed down to the pupils of Year 5 who will take on the new challenge and expectation of

the current Year 6's in the spring – we wish you luck!



*"I love having the opportunity to work collaboratively and to and to be creative."*

*Bethan, Year 6 pupil*

On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December the children in MP3 will be hosting their very own shop selling Christmas products for charity.

During the past few weeks they have worked in a groups of six to design, resource and make their chosen product. They are hoping to reach the high standards met in previous years It is open to the public to come in and buy from 10.00-2.00pm. .

Any profits go to the groups chosen charity so why not join in the fun and come and support the MP3 pupils.

**Exciting Up and Coming Events**

**FIX IT DAY, POP-UP-SHOP, BIKEABILITY AND MORE!**



Why not com and join us for pre-Christmas preparations on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December, 12- 4 pm for Christmas crafts and stalls.

There is also the opportunity to visit Santa's Grotto for the children and a warming glass of mulled wine for the parents.



Date for your diary: MP3 Pop-Up-Shop, Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December

**Miss Dobie: Our Protector**

Miss Dobie, currently teaching in Year 3, decided to join the army when she was 12 years old because she did not want to do Guides or Scouts so she decided to join the Army Cadets. "At the Cadets, you do many fun activities including: marching, first aid, map work, learning how to use weapons safely, PT (physical training) field crafts (playing fake wars)."

She explained 'It is all great fun!' she enthusiastically added. Miss Dobie's role is Sargant, which involves teaching children for two evenings per week. "There is no official course to join the Army Cadets but you can be trained to fight in a war if there was one." Miss Dobie clarified. "At the age of 12 you can join the Cadets and you would need to leave at the age of 18 but you can then train to become an instructor."

Miss Dobie is undoubtedly committed to this extra curricular activity and looks great in her camouflage uniform. "We do many sports and play against other armies to gain badges. In the summer, you can go on a residential for two weeks and there are extra courses available, which involve skiing, kayaking, climbing and canoeing." We asked Miss Dobie why she does it on top of full time job and she enthused, " This all makes me feel part of a team and happy to pass on my knowledge to younger children."



Miss Dobie in Uniform