



**News Update – Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2018**

## A Message From Mr Applegate

Spring Reports - We're pleased to say that the Spring reports are coming out this week- one for the project work, and one to share about progress in reading, writing and maths. These will look similar to the ones we sent out for the Autumn Term. We've had a few technical hitches which have prevented them coming out sooner.

Parking update – two complaints last week, one about a black Ford Focus who drove over the verge out the front of the school and along a path (unbelievable!) and the other about the owner of a Mercedes people carrier. A zero-complaint week is coming – will it be next week?

Classes for 2018 – Choosing class groupings for September 2018 is an extremely difficult task in every school! We spend many hours working on what we believe will be the best groupings based on knowing all of the children's strengths and difficulties, and also considering current and historical information. We will also now be asking the children for their thoughts and who they would like to be with, and do our best to take that into account. Sometimes being with their best friend in a class isn't actually best- break times are good though! We simply can't accommodate everyone's requests, but we try our hardest. Our decisions will be final. Another change this year: assigned class information won't go out with the end of year reports as the focus when opening and reading the report should be the celebration of successes within it, not the teachers/classes for September. Thank you for your understanding. I look forward to this activity being very positive for parents, children and staff.

Finally, we have been out on the field during breaktimes, and the behaviour of pupils has been fantastic! We will be on the field during lunch this week after finishing a few arrangements.

Have a great week. Mr Applegate.

### Respond To School At Home



We are thinking about thankfulness this term. This week, we look at being thankful for our food. Why not talk about the Basingstoke Foodbank and how sometimes people haven't got enough to eat? Perhaps chose an extra item in your shopping this week to donate!

### Website posts by Email

We're conscious that whilst the weekly whole school newsletters go out via email, the year group posts on the website don't. We'll be sending out copies of fortnightly website posts from each year group via email. We will obviously continue to respect photo and other restrictions. It's the same information, just sent out in different - and easier - ways. The next year group update goes out around 4<sup>th</sup> May. Remember to check your spam!



- Reception - Amelia, Jacob, George
- Year 1 - Heath, Chloe, Alexis
- Year 2 - Isobel, Charlie, Cameron
- Year 3 - Oliver, Lauren, Rue
- Year 4 - Archie, Harriet, Jayden
- Year 5 - Isabella, Jemima, Alfie
- Year 6 - Cameron, Poppy, Amber

### Year Group Newsletters

Please see our website for the latest termly newsletter on what your child will be learning this term.

Head Teacher: Mr Charles Applegate  
Deputy Head: Mrs Claire Cooper  
Assistant Head: Mrs Nicola Ford  
Assistant Head: Mrs Rebekah Alsey





# Dates for your diary....

## May 2018

### Class Photographs

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May

### May Day Bank Holiday

May 7th

### Half-term

May 28th – June 1<sup>st</sup>

## June 2018

### INSET day

Monday 4th June

### Sports Day

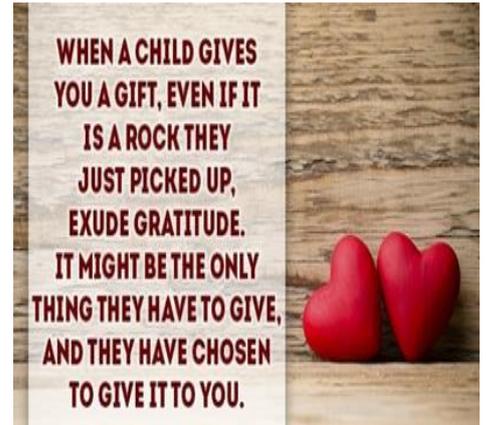
Friday 15th June

### Reserve Sports Day

Friday 29th June

**Last day of term**  
July 23<sup>rd</sup> (3:20pm)

Something to think about...



Our theme for this half term is "Being Thankful".

This week, we are focusing on our learning behaviour of respect.



## INSET DAYS – 2018 2019

Monday 3rd September 2018  
Friday 19th October 2018  
Monday 7th Jan 2019  
Friday 5th April 2019  
Monday 1st July 2019



**KS1 & KS2 Disco**  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May

**FOSM Tuck Shop**  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July

**FOSM Summer Fun Day**  
Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

## School Drop Off and Collection Times

Please can we ask that any parents/children that arrive at school prior to 8.30am for drop off and 3.10pm for collection, to wait in the church foyer and not congregate in the office area. This includes those who have permission to park in the car park. The noise levels make it difficult for the office staff to speak to parents on the telephone and face to face. A member of the office staff will indicate the time when you are able to walk through to the playgrounds to drop off at your child's class. Any children arriving in school on their own, prior to 8.20am will be taken to Breakfast Club.

Could we please remind all parents to use the pathways outside of the school to access their child's classroom and not to walk through the school corridors.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

## Baptisms

In Fr. Michael's last term with us, he'd like to offer people the opportunity to be Baptised at Immanuel Church. For those who haven't been baptised, it is an opportunity to be welcomed into the Christian and church family and the beginning of a new journey. Fr. Michael would prepare those who would like to be baptised over the course of two or three sessions. If you or your child would like to be baptised or have any questions about it, please get in touch with Father Michael. [Frmichael.smith@gmail.com](mailto:Frmichael.smith@gmail.com)

# Relax Kids Classes

relax Kids

## Help your child:

- ★ relax and be calm
- feel confident
- focus and concentrate
- be imaginative
- develop creativity
- sleep better



## Classes follow the Relax Kids 7 Steps to Relaxation including:

**Move** - warm up exercises for energy and fun

**Play** - mindful games for creativity and concentration

**Stretch** - for balance and inner strength

**Feel** - peer/self massage for self awareness, empathy and respect

**Breathe** - for anxiety and inner calm

**Believe** - for self esteem, confidence and positivity

**Relax** - for imagination



## Give them tools for life!

[www.relaxkids.com](http://www.relaxkids.com)

### Relax Kids sessions after Easter

An opportunity to attend a course, a single session (for those not sure about committing to a 5 week course, or for those who can't make my Friday course, or for children who just want to come along for a 'refresher session') and a Family session. All sessions will take place in Popley. I'm more than happy to run courses in other areas both in and around Basingstoke.

- Thursday 19 April (4pm-5pm) Relax Kids Anxiety/Worry session £8.50 per child
- Friday 20 April (4pm-5pm) Relax Kids 5 week course £35 per child
- Thursday 3 May (4pm-5pm) Family Session for parent(s) and child(ren) £8.50 for first child £2.50 for siblings
- Thursday 10 May (4pm-5pm) Relax Kids pre SATS session for Year 6 children £8.50 per child

For bookings please to go [www.bookwhen.com/rkbasingstoke](http://www.bookwhen.com/rkbasingstoke)

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