



# Bluebell

*Upper Key Stage 2 (Juniors)*

Information for the Autumn Term (first half)  
September 2009

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| School closes for teaching at 3.10 pm | Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2009  |
| School re-opens for teaching          | Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2009 |

## School Times:

|     |            |                   |                                     |                   |                             |                 |
|-----|------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| KS2 | Gates Open | Children Assemble | Children Supervised by School Staff | Whistle Hand Over | Teaching Begins Gates Close | Children Finish |
|     | 8.30am     | KS2 Playground    | 8.40am                              | 8.45am            | 8.50am                      | 3.10pm          |

## Curricular Information - Topics for the Autumn Term

| Autumn 1 2009      | Autumn 2 2009      | Spring 1 2010 | Spring 2 2010 | Summer 1 2010 | Summer 2 2010 |
|--------------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Britain since 1930 | Britain since 1930 | Our Locality  | Our Locality  | Africa        | Africa        |

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|----------------------------|---|
| <b>ENGLISH</b>             | Fiction Genre, short stories and detective fiction, Poetry.   |
| <b>MATHEMATICS</b>         | Both year groups will cover various aspects of problem solving, calculation, data handling & shape and space. |
| <b>SCIENCE</b>             | Electricity, Forces, Keeping Healthy.   |
| <b>HISTORY</b>             | Britain since 1930.   |
| <b>RELIGIOUS EDUCATION</b> | Why is Muhammad important to Muslims?   |
| <b>ART</b>                 | Mixed media - sculpture.  |
| <b>DESIGN TECHNOLOGY</b>   | Controllable Vehicles with Technology Tom.  |
| <b>ICT</b>                 | Databases, Multimedia presentations.  |
| <b>MUSIC</b>               | We'll Meet Again - music from the 1940's.   |
| <b>OUTDOOR GAMES</b>       | Football.   |
| <b>INDOOR GAMES</b>        | Gym.  |
| <b>PSHCE</b>               | New Beginnings.   |

## Timetables:

| Afternoon Sessions | J6<br>Mr Jarvis                | J7<br>Miss Craggs        | J8<br>Mrs Godfrey      | J9<br>Miss Beere       | J10<br>Mrs Bowe                  |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Monday             | RE / SEAL/ Music               | ICT / <b>Games</b> / SRA | History / <b>Games</b> | ART / MFL              | Science                          |
| Tuesday            | Science                        | RE/SEAL/Music            | ART / <b>Gym</b>       | ICT / <b>Gym</b> / SRA | History / <b>Games</b> / History |
| Wednesday          | ART / SRA                      | Science                  | RE / SEAL / Music      | History <b>Games</b>   | ICT / <b>Gym</b> / Music         |
| Thursday           | ICT / MFL / <b>Games</b>       | History / MFL            | Science                | RE / SEAL / Music      | ART / SRA                        |
| Friday             | History / <b>Gym</b> / History | ART / <b>Gym</b>         | ICT / SRA / MFL        | Science                | RE / SEAL / MFL                  |

Indoor kit (T shirt, shorts and **SANDSHOES**) should be kept in school **at all times**.

Outdoor kit should be brought in and taken home on **Games** days (see above).

## Homework Timetables:

| Year 5 / 6    | Given Out   | Handed In                    | Test |
|---------------|---|------------------------------|------|
| Spellings     | Friday  |                              |      |
| English       | Friday  | Before the following Friday. |      |
| Mathematics   | Friday  | Before the following Friday. |      |
| Times tables  | Friday  |                              |      |
| Reading Books | The children are given the opportunity to change their reading books on a daily basis |                              |      |

*Please note that it is the responsibility of the children to place all homework activities in the designated areas.*

Whilst teaching staff generally adhere to the homework timetable, there will be occasions when changes are made and this will be at the discretion of the teacher involved. SAM Learning homework for Science has been set and children will require access to the internet to do this. Children who have no access to a PC at home will be given time during playtimes on a rota basis.

## Forthcoming Events:

Inter House Singing Competition. There will be a singing competition between Durham, Raby and Walworth in November to which parents will be invited.

## Clothing/Lost Property:

Please clearly name all belongings. There is a lost property box, which is emptied on a fortnightly basis, so property needs to be collected promptly.

## Water Bottles:

Pupils should bring a water bottle to school every day and return it home each evening to be washed and re filled for the next day.

## Snacks:

Please encourage you child to follow our healthy snack policy. Children should bring fruit, vegetables or cheese for break time. Could we remind Y5 parents that our lunch break is at 1:00pm and so the children do get quite hungry by the 12:00pm break.

## Contact with Teachers:

If you have any concerns and would like to see your child's teacher, please make an appointment through the office or on the phone with the teacher in question. Whilst we are always pleased to see you, we often have after school meetings and can not always see you straight away.

**Absence:**

School policy is to discourage unnecessary absence from school; however it is doubly important that holidays are not booked in the SAT's period from April to the end of May. Important booster work takes place in the run up to the exams.

**Safety Notice:**

**Parents must not cross the double red line at the rear of school.**

**Mrs Godfrey (Leader of Learning)**