Welcome back
I do hope that everyone enjoyed the Christmas break and managed to spend time with friends and family. The children have returned ready for the start of a very busy term which includes an abundance of events. This Newsletter highlights some added events to which parents are warmly invited.

Invitations
This week invitations have been sent out by post for the following events:-
Grandparents’ Morning on Friday, 8th February. We would be grateful if you could pass the invitation or details on to the children’s grandparents and look forward to receiving many replies for this event.
Cooking Workshop for Parents on Friday, 1st February. This will take place in our Food Technology Room and we hope that perhaps some dads (as well as mums) could join us for the morning.

Invitations have also been sent home in book bags for the following events:-
Year 2 Tour and Coffee on Friday, 25th January
Year 1 Tour and Coffee on Tuesday, 29th January
Year 3 Lunch on Wednesday, 30th January
We look forward to welcoming the parents of children in those year groups and would be grateful if parents could reply by email to prep@blundells.org if they wish to attend.

If you have not received an invitation for any of the above please do contact the school office.

Good Luck to Year 6
We would like to wish all the children in Year 6 good luck with their Entrance Exams on Saturday. They have all worked extremely hard and deserve to get the results they wish for.

New pupils
We are delighted to welcome the following new pupils
Savannah Kerr, Ben Weeks, Allegra Wilson, Charlie Willatt, Benji Provis and Tamsin Clover in the Pre-Prep. We hope they have enjoyed their first week with us.

Prayer Meeting
The next Parent and Staff Prayer Meeting will take place on Wednesday, 16th January at 7.30 pm at Little Hensleigh. There will also be another Pizza & Prayer Evening hosted by Judy & Simon Friend on Tuesday, 22 January which is open to parents and staff. For further information on either of these events please contact Julie Salisbury on 01392 861477. All parents and staff are warmly invited.
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Money Raised for Charity
We are very pleased to announce that with money raised from the Christmas Market, the Christmas card sales and the Carol Services, we are able to present a cheque, amounting to £3,194.93, to the charity ‘Kids who Care’ in Monday’s assembly. Thank you so much to everybody for supporting these events. A wonderful effort!

Andrew Flintoff Cricket Academy
We are delighted that a Flintoff Cricket Academy will be held here at BPS from 22nd July – 26th July 2013. Further details can be found on their website at www.activatesport.co.uk or telephone number 0115 973 1676. Please note that this course is not being run by the school so all enquiries should be directed to Activate Sport.

Head Boy and Girl and Prefects
We would like to thank Theo Rees and Rebecca Hamilton for all their hard work last term. Our Head Boy for the Spring term is Dominic Vause and our Head Girl is Frances Hunt. We have also six new prefects added for the Spring Term and they are Sophie Clough, Luli Mountbatten, Zoe Labdon, Henry Richards, George Gibbs and William Sawyer. Congratulations to all these children.

Creative Arts Week
This is taking place during the week commencing 11th February and promises to be an exciting event for all of the children in Years 3 to 6. We are always grateful for parental help and no experience is necessary, so if you would like to help then please complete and return the form below to the School Office.

Sunday Morning Cricket
The first cricket training sessions will take place on Sunday 13th January in the Senior School sports hall. Mr Swain welcomes anyone who would like to come along. There is no need to book and attendance every week is not essential. Please refer to the attached leaflet for further information.

Donations of Carpet
Mrs Carter would be grateful for sizeable old pieces of carpet to cover the children’s raised vegetable beds. Please email Mrs Carter on jmh@blundells.org if you can help with this matter.

Exam Results Autumn 2012
Associated Board
Grace Chapman Grade 1 Piano Merit
William Honey Grade 1 Violin Pass
Joseph Horsey Grade 1 Piano Merit
Sophie Clough Grade 2 Cello Pass
Rebecca Hamilton Grade 2 Singing Distinction
Theo Rees Grade 2 Piano Pass
Alice Smith Grade 2 Flute Pass
Grace Labdon  |  Grade 3 Clarinet  |  Merit
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**Trinity**
Leo Ogden-Barker  |  Grade 1 Drum Kit  |  Merit
Mia Butterfield  |  Grade 2 Drum Kit  |  Merit
Luca Kemp  |  Grade 2 Drum Kit  |  Pass

### Pre-Prep News
Congratulations to the following children:-

**Certificates of Achievement**
Thomas Jerreat and Joshua Read for working hard at school and home to learn all their thirty one Read Write Inc. Set 1 sounds.
Jasper Winsley for working really hard throughout the Autumn term. He sets a fine example to the other children in his class with his good manners and his willingness to do the right thing at all times.
Emily Raper for trying hard with her school work. She also behaves very well and always does the right thing at all times.
Mia Ferrari-Relf for working hard on every activity she is given to do. She produced a lovely booklet about the Nativity Story. She thought carefully about the story and tried to use some descriptive words. Her pictures were beautiful too.
Meredith Thomas for working very hard on her Nativity Story. She wrote some excellent sentences and used some good descriptive words. Her pictures were coloured in well too.
Sebastian Tarrant for producing a very life-like charcoal portrait of his partner. He should be very proud of his work.
Toby Butler for writing an amazingly imaginative story in literacy. He had some great ideas and finished it off in an exciting way.

**Golden Book**
Olivia Ross for playing the part of Whoops-a –Daisy during the dress rehearsal of the Nursery Nativity when Mille was unwell. She managed to do the whole performance with very little help and was an absolute star.

**Swimming Awards**
Flo Cave - 400m award
Will James - 50m and 100m award
Ophelia Thorpe - 5m award.

**Yogis of the week**
Flo Cave for super yoga with wonderful enthusiastic energy, Phoebe May for lovely posture and a willingness to be helpful and Emily Raper for wonderful yoga with great enthusiasm.

**Skiing Awards**
Cecily and Emily Raper on achieving their medals and certificates from the Tiroler Ski School.
**Crocodile Keeper Certificate**  
Jack Anderson for participating in the Junior Crocodile Keeper Experience, learning about crocodiles, working with the animals and providing valuable help to the Zoo.

**Gymnastics Award**  
Georgia Withey for outstanding effort on the trampette and for 100% attendance in Gymnastics.

**Judo Award**  
Barnaby Hull was awarded the Pupil of the Term certificate for the Autumn term 2012.

**Ballet Awards**  
Mimi Griffiths, Lana Johnson, Arabella Gresswell and Ottilie Davy were awarded the pupils of the term medals for the Autumn term 2012.

**Creative Art’s Week**  
Monday, 11th February – Friday, 15th February

Name of Parent .................................................................

Name of Child/Children ................................................ Class ................................

I would be able to help at the following times

Monday am □ pm □

Tuesday am □ pm □

Wednesday am □ pm □

Thursday am □ pm □

Friday am □ pm □
Welcome Back Peter Jacques Band. 6:26. Welcome Back (Heavy Metal) Megahera. 8:06. Welcome Back to the Grave (Original Mix) 666. 1:02. Welcome Her Back Home Chromium. 4:38. Back On Line INXS. 3:12. Welcome To The Battlezone Battlezone. 3:25. Welcome Back To The Ghetto Spice 1. 4:11. Welcome Back (feat. Marsha Amb Stat Quo. 4:39. Welcome Back, Jolette Harry Thumann. 4:53. Welcome To Love Space Art. 6:44. Back To Which Gore Inhaler. 1:28. Welcome To My World X-Session. Welcome Back is a 2015 Indian Hindi-language action comedy film directed by Anees Bazmee and produced by Firoz Nadiadwala. It is a sequel to Welcome and features an ensemble cast that includes Anil Kapoor, Nana Patekar, John Abraham, Shruti Haasan, Dimple Kapadia, Paresh Rawal and Naseeruddin Shah. While Kapoor, Patekar and Rawal have reprised their roles from the previous film, Abraham and Hassan are new additions to the lead cast. Made on a budget of US$16 million, the film was largely shot in and "Welcome Back" is a song in Rio 2 performed by Bruno Mars. In the movie, it is sung by Roberto to celebrate Jewel's return to the Spix's Macaw Tribe in the Amazon. Look at her shiningHer feathers, they glowNow the jungle is smiling'Cause our baby's home. Can you feel what I feel?The day has come at lastOur precious Jewel has returnedI'll be the first to say, "Welcome back". Oh, welcome back...I said welcome, welcome, welcome...Back...!