



**Blanche Nevile School Newsletter**  
**27<sup>th</sup> January 2017**  
**Secondary Department**  
**(in partnership with Fortismere School)**

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are aware we do all that we can to support our students in understanding how to use the internet effectively. One of the big challenges of growing up these days is to understand how to keep safe when you are talking to your friends online. This can include Facebook, IMO, WhatsApp and a number of other online forums. It is very important for parents, as well as our children, to understand the basics of how to keep your privacy setting private! For example, how to do this on your Facebook account, or how to block people from contacting you if you don't want them to.

I will be writing to all of you next week with information about an important event taking place at our school on **23<sup>rd</sup> February at 4pm**. Laura Finnegan from the NSPCC will be leading a workshop on how to keep your child safe from strangers when they are online. I very much hope that as many of you as possible will be able to attend the workshop. Please let me know when I send the letter home next week with the details, but I would appreciate it greatly if you made a note of it in your diary of this event now, and thank you in advance of your support.

Kind regards,

*Veronica Held*

**Headteacher**



### **Important Reminders**

#### **Free School Meals Renewals**

If your circumstances have not changed you can now renew your FSM application by telephone (unless your child is moving from year 6 to year 7). If your child is not eligible for FSM, or you have not yet renewed your application, you will need to sign up to ParentMail to activate a cashless account, or send your child into school with a packed lunch. To renew, call.....

**020 8489 1000 (9am-5pm) - have your National Insurance number & Date of Birth details ready**

<p><b>Year 9 Options Evening</b>  <b>28<sup>th</sup> February 2017</b>  <b>4.00-17.30pm</b></p>	<p>This important event is taking place on <b>Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 16.00-17.30</b>          The evening will give you and your child essential information about subjects on offer in Years 10 and 11. It is vital that you attend this meeting with your child. You will learn about different options and you will be given an opportunity to ask questions.</p>															
<p><b>Access Theatre</b>  <b>Lion King</b>  <b>5<sup>th</sup> February 2017</b>  <b>(1.00pm)</b>  <b>2.30pm start</b></p>	<div data-bbox="608 521 828 669" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="890 539 1331 667" data-label="Text"> <p><b>THE LION KING (BSL interpreted)</b>  <b>LYCEUM THEATRE</b>  <b>Sunday 5 February</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2.30PM</li> <li>• Pre-show talk at 1.00PM (BSL interpreted)</li> </ul> </div> <div data-bbox="890 689 1310 790" data-label="Text"> <p>Disney's beloved film has been transformed into a spectacular stage production that explodes with glorious colours, stunning effect and enchanting music.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="890 815 1038 840" data-label="Text"> <p><a href="http://thelionking.co.uk">thelionking.co.uk</a></p> </div> <div data-bbox="890 864 1337 927" data-label="Text"> <p><b>SIGN UP TO BECOME A MEMBER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THIS OFFER</b></p> </div> <div data-bbox="643 981 1366 1077" data-label="Text"> <p><b>AccessTheatre4 £5</b> is a theatre audience club for deaf 16-25 olds, with offers to some of London's top theatre productions for less than the price of a cinema ticket.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="616 1113 1390 1240" data-label="Text"> <p>Members receive offers to BSL interpreted or captioned performances, plus extra benefits like accessible talks with the actors or creative teams. A Mousetrap representative is also on hand at each event to support the members.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="608 1274 1402 1370" data-label="Text"> <p>The aim is to encourage deaf young people to come to the theatre independently with their peers, not with parents or teachers. <b>SIGN UP</b> as a member. You will then be emailed a Members Only link to book tickets.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="671 1404 1337 1464" data-label="Text"> <p>Any queries regarding this scheme should be also directed to <a href="mailto:access@mousetrap.org.uk">access@mousetrap.org.uk</a>.</p> </div>															
<p><b>Remark!</b>  <b>February Deaf Play Scheme</b>  <b>February half term</b>  <b>14<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> February 2017</b>  <b>10am-4pm</b></p>	<div data-bbox="603 1503 948 1917" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="986 1503 1350 1917" data-label="Table"> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Date</th> <th>Children (7 – 12)</th> <th>Youth (13 – 16)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Tuesday 14th February 2017</td> <td>AM - Cooking PM - Free Play</td> <td>AM - Free Play PM - Cooking</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wednesday 15th February 2017</td> <td>Sobell Leisure Centre</td> <td>Sobell Leisure Centre</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Thursday 16th February 2017</td> <td>AM - Free Play PM - Laser Quest</td> <td>AM - Free Play PM - Laser Quest</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Friday 17th February 2017</td> <td>AM - Games PM - Watching a film</td> <td>AM - Games PM - Watching a film</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> </div> <div data-bbox="643 1921 1366 2112" data-label="Text"> <p>A holiday programme for deaf children and young adults aged 7-16  <b>Ambler Primary School, Blackstock Road, London N4 2DR</b>          We are currently taking bookings for this and numbers are limited so we would advise booking up quickly.          Remark! Community Co-ordinator <a href="mailto:steven.wynne@remark.uk.com">steven.wynne@remark.uk.com</a></p> </div>	Date	Children (7 – 12)	Youth (13 – 16)	Tuesday 14th February 2017	AM - Cooking PM - Free Play	AM - Free Play PM - Cooking	Wednesday 15th February 2017	Sobell Leisure Centre	Sobell Leisure Centre	Thursday 16th February 2017	AM - Free Play PM - Laser Quest	AM - Free Play PM - Laser Quest	Friday 17th February 2017	AM - Games PM - Watching a film	AM - Games PM - Watching a film
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## British Library

Festival of Maps Family Discovery Day  
Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2017  
12-4pm



We have arranged another "Festival of Maps" Family Discovery Day for families of deaf children on **Saturday 25th February 2017** from 12pm-4pm at the British Library in London.

Come along and have a fantastic day out for FREE!

More information can be found on the British Library website on this link <http://www.bl.uk/events/family-day-festival-of-maps>

Springboard – Deafinitely Youth  
Easter School  
10<sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> April 2017

workshops

## Deafinitely Youth Easter School

10 - 13 April 2017

Are you aged between 14 and 25  
Are you passionate about drama?  
Then get involved in 'Springboard'  
Deafinitely Youth Theatre's 4-day Easter School.

This is your chance to Springboard your creativity! Each day you will get to work with inspiring deaf role models working professionally in theatre and TV. You'll learn performance skills and meet other like-minded young people.

To attend, please fill out an application form today by clicking below and checking the FAQs

Easter School places are free and strictly limited

Application Deadline: March 27th 2017

<http://www.deafinitelytheatre.co.uk>