



# Brabourne CE Primary School



## Newsletter 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018

### Remembrance Service

Thank you very much to parents and pupils who attended the Remembrance Service at Brabourne Church last Sunday. I gather two hundred people attended what was a very moving service led by our vicar, Reverend Chris. All of the poppies made by the children are now on display in 'Wobbly Wood'.

### Football Matches

We have not been short of sporting fixtures this term. The football teams lost a match against Wye but won against Bodsham. We are looking forward to our next matches in the next few weeks: a football match against Smeeth, as well as a netball match against Brook. A huge thank you also to Mr Bower who gave up his time to referee.

### Governing Body

Please do read the accompanying letter from our Chair of Governors, Hester Fenwick. You will note that we are looking to recruit a new Parent Governor, to start in January. If you are interested in this role, please do come and chat to myself or Hester.

### Mathletics Numeracy Challenge

Brabourne School is joining in the Mathletics numeracy challenge week, which starts on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> November and finishes on Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> November. In this challenge the children have to play on Mathletics as much as they can during that week. The winning school will be based on the average number of points per participant, so this allows for small schools to stand a chance.

### Christmas Church Service

Please note that we have had to change the Christmas Church Service to Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> December at 9am.

### Siblings starting September 2019

If you have a pre school child born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015, please do let Mrs Mac know in order that we have some idea as to how many siblings are joining the school next year. Please also note that parents with a sibling, starting school in 2019, must complete an online application form (opening date for application is Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November and closing date is Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January) – just google KCC primary admissions or apply at:

<http://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/primary-school-places#tab-1>

### Unauthorised Absences

We have recently had a few parents, who have taken their children out of school for holidays/weddings...etc. without requesting the absence. Please can all parents read our attendance policy (on the school website) and note that I should receive a written request for your child's absence, preferably two weeks in advance.

## RESPECT – RESPONSIBILITY – HOPE - COURAGE

### Reminders:

- 1) Due to 2 children in school having a serious Nut allergy, we would request all parents not to allow any nuts in packed lunches or snacks (includes Nutella/Peanut butter).
- 2) Our school Christmas dinner will be on Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> December. If your child normally has packed lunch on a Wednesday, but would like the Christmas dinner, please let Mrs Mac know. If your child is in Years 3-6 please also put £2.05 in an envelope with your child's name on the front (infant children do not have to pay).
- 3) If your child needs to leave early for any reason (medical appointments...etc.) please let Mrs Mac know. There is no need to also speak to the teachers as Mrs Mac will send a note in the register.

**Andrew Stapley**  
**Headteacher**

### Dates for diary

16 Nov	Contributions for class hampers – non uniform – towards PTA Christmas fair raffle
17 Nov	School Open Morning – 10am to midday
18 Nov	PTA Table Top sale – 10am – Sellindge Village Hall
23 Nov	Jazzy jars – non uniform – towards PTA Christmas fair tombola
30 Nov	Bottles – non uniform – towards PTA Christmas fair tombola
1 Dec	PTA Christmas Fair
11 Dec	Junior Christmas Panto Dress rehearsal 1.30pm – School Hall Junior Christmas Panto 6.30pm – School Hall
14 Dec	Infant Nativity Dress Rehearsal 10am – School Hall Infant Nativity 2pm – School Hall
17 Dec	Christmas Church Service – Brabourne Church 9am – All welcome
18 Dec	END TERM 2
3 Jan	START TERM 3