



Brabourne CE Primary School



Newsletter 4th December 2019

Arthur Heckel's Fundraising

One of our school team Captains has decided to try and raise some money for the 'War Child Charity', which helps children in areas of the world where there is conflict. Arthur has made some biscuits and will be selling these at the school gate tomorrow (Thursday) after school, in return for a 50p donation. I hope our children will reflect how fortunate they are and maybe use their own pocket money to support this charity.

Christmas Events:

- 1) Friday, 5th Dec – PTA non-uniform day for collection of 'Christmas tipples' for bottle tombola.
- 2) Saturday, 6th Dec - The PTA Christmas fair. Do bring all your family/friends/relatives – 1.30-3.30pm. Enter school through side door by staffroom.

If you would like to arrive a little earlier, on Saturday, our neighbour Peter Walker (bungalow at the top of the lane) is having a garage sale from 10am-3pm (just make sure you don't spend all your money at the garage sale first)!

- 3) Monday, 9th Dec Children can buy a 'surprise' present for each of their parents
Children to bring money (£1.50 per present) in named envelope
- 4) Wednesday, 11th Dec Infants Nativity Concert – Dress Rehearsal – 10.45am – school Hall
Junior Musical Concert – Dress Rehearsal - 2pm – school hall
Junior Musical Concert – 6.30pm – school hall
- 5) Thursday, 12th Dec Infants Nativity Concert – 2pm – school hall
- 6) Friday, 13th Dec Christmas Jumper Day – non school uniform (but please do not purchase Christmas jumpers especially for this occasion)
- 7) Tuesday, 17th Dec Church Christmas Service – 9am – all children to be taken straight to Church – everyone welcome to join us for the service.
- 8) Wednesday, 18th Dec Christmas School Dinner and party afternoon
Term 2 Ends

Parents/relatives who cannot attend the main performances are welcome to attend the dress rehearsals – enter through school office.

With so much coming up in the next two weeks can I please just remind parents not to block any of our neighbours' driveways, with their cars, when attending school events.

School Christmas Dinner

Last chance for any child who does not normally have school dinner on a Wednesday, to have the Christmas dinner on the last day of term. Please let Mrs Mac know.

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After School Clubs

Other than the Science club (re-scheduled from last Monday to next Monday, 9th December) all clubs will finish this week.

News from the House Captains

Here at Brabourne School we always get up lots of exciting things. Due to the awesome PTA and the House Captains, there have been some amazing events held at our school this year.

Our first event was a house day led by the House Captains. Everyone was split into their houses and completed some amazing activities like den building and hip hop dancing, including the teachers and TAs, who were in their own houses for the first time! Firstly, we drew our own house flags and shields for our Headteacher (Mr Stapley) to judge.

The winning flags will be printed and flown in the garden in the New Year. Mrs Stryzyk is making the shields to display in the hall. Also thank you to Mr Bower for fixing the garden flagpole and the bell on the top of the school, which now can ring in the new decade!

Our school has plans for many more fun events. We have a pantomime coming to Brabourne School and a virtual reality day. The pupils can't wait to see it! Also the PTA is trying to get us an awesome new building called 'Project 2020'. Thank you PTA and to everyone who comes to these events. Not only are they so much fun for us, they also allow Mr Stapley to buy us some amazing things for the school.

We are aiming to do another House Captain event next term to raise money for charity again. Thank you to the pupils for electing us – we love being House Captains!

Arthur, Kate, Heidi, Taiga, Tyler, Sam, Ruby – The House Captains

Children Absent from School

At this time of year we have more children off ill and we are finding that several parents, each day, are not phoning to report the reason for their child's absence. If Mrs Mac has advised that your child must stay off school for 48 hours (following a bout of sickness/diarrhoea), then there is no need to phone on the second absent day.

Please be aware that Mrs Mac does not have time to chase parents and it is vital that, for the child's safety, that their whereabouts are ascertained as early as possible and by 9.15am at the latest.

Reminders

- 1) Parents, who have children in the after-school Dance club today, are invited to arrive 15 minutes early to see what the children have learnt so far.
- 2) Children should not wear nail varnish to school.
- 3) Please make sure your child has coat/hat/gloves in cold weather.

Andrew Stapley
Headteacher

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Dates for diary

- 5 Dec Choir to sing in County Square – Demelza Charity event
- 6 Dec PTA non uniform day – Christmas tippie for Bottle Tombola
- 7 Dec PTA – Christmas Fair – 1.30pm to 3.30pm – school hall
- 9 Dec PTA – Surprises room
Choir singing at Ashford International Hotel
- 10 Dec Assembly by the National Elf Service
- 11 Dec Infants Nativity Concert – Dress Rehearsal – 10.45am – school hall
Juniors Musical Concert – Dress Rehearsal 2pm – school hall
Juniors Musical Concert – 6.30pm – school hall
- 12 Dec Infants Nativity Concert – 2pm – school hall
- 13 Dec Christmas Jumper day
Venus Class to Reindeer Centre
- 16 Dec Prime Virtual Reality Workshop in school for Juniors (morning)
Panto visiting school (afternoon)
- 17 Dec Church Christmas Service – 9am Brabourne Church
- 18 Dec Christmas Dinner + Class Parties
End Term 2

