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Brabourne CE Primary School

Newsletter 4th October 2017

JUPITER CLASS

Sadly we wish to inform you that, due to personal circumstances, Mrs Jiggins will be leaving the staff in December, at the end of term 2. Recruitment for a teacher in Jupiter class will start immediately and I will keep parents informed of developments.

Early Morning Drop Off Club

We are pleased to be finalising arrangements to enable parents to bring their children to an 'Early Morning' club, starting after half-term. This will initially run until Christmas and, if cost effective, will then be permanent. The club would start at 8.15am and take place in the school hall. The children will be supervised by Miss Court (teaching assistant in Venus class) and have access to K'Nex, board games, ipads...etc. The cost will be £1.50 per day but if a child is booked in for a complete week, the cost would be £6 (with the fifth day being free). If you will be using this club could you let Mrs Mac know which days you would like to book and how many children you will have attending the club.

Parking

Hopefully the start of the club mentioned above will ease the parking problem in the morning, although I would still urge parents not to stand and chat but clear the car park as quickly as possible, to help with the congestion. Can I also suggest some parents get together and share journeys – on that note Mr and Mrs Haining (Matilda's parents) are willing to discuss car share with others from Sellindge. If interested, please see Mrs Mac who will introduce you.

Harvest Festival

You are all very welcome to join our Harvest Festival Service which will be on Friday, 13th October at 9am in Brabourne Church, and should last for about 45 minutes. All children must be taken direct to the Church and not dropped at school - we will bring the children back to school by coach as usual. No children should arrive at the Church before 8.40am. We are waiting for confirmation from Mrs Henshaw (Parsonage Farm) that we are again able to use the hard-standing area in her farm, for parking. Parsonage Farm is situated just round the corner from the Church, if you are travelling in the direction from the school.

As in previous years, we are collecting food donations for the Ashford Christian Fellowship. They run Vinnie's Diner in Ashford offering home-cooked meals for the homeless. Please bring any donations of tinned and packet foods to the Church and we will arrange for delivery to Ashford Christian Fellowship. Thank you for your generosity.

Winter Footwear

As we head into colder weather some parents will send their children to school wearing boots. Please make sure that any boots are practical, dark in colour, do not have heels or platforms and are not designer type boots e.g. UGGs. I have noticed that the children are looking very smart and taking lots of pride in their appearance.

PTA News

The first PTA Meeting is scheduled at the Woolpack Pub (Smeeth) for this Friday, 6th October at 12.30pm. Some people are having lunch too. We will be meeting the committee and year reps as well as sharing the events for the year. Also, a quick look at upcoming events including the Christmas Fair and an opportunity to hand pick the best jobs to volunteer for!

Hope to see lots of you there.

Jane Reid

PTO

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KM First Class pictures

Reception class parents may wish to know that a picture of the class will appear in the Kentish Express, week commencing 9th October 2017.

Siblings Starting School

If you have any children due to start school in September 2018 could you please let Mrs Mac know, this is just so we have an idea on numbers.

Reminders

- 1) No large bows in hair and no jewellery other than stud earrings to be worn (these must be removed for PE).
- 2) All school uniform must be named – we are placing un-named uniform into lost property every day.
- 3) Please make sure your children have their PE kit in school every day – children cannot stay to PE clubs after school if they do not have PE kit with them.

Andrew Stapley
Headteacher

Dates for diary

12 Oct	Kent Test results to parents
13 Oct	Harvest Festival Service – Church 9am
20 Oct	Neptune Class – Visiting Maidstone Museum
20 Oct	End Term 1
30 Oct	Start Term 2
2 Nov	School Nurse Team in for Y6 Height/Weight
8 Nov	Jupiter Class out – Canterbury Cathedral day
10 Nov	Damian Collins MP – visiting school
30 Nov	Flu vaccinations YR-Y4 – Details to follow
15 Dec	Whole school to Panto
20 Dec	End Term 2