



# Brabourne CE Primary School



## Newsletter 8<sup>th</sup> November 2017

I hope everyone enjoyed the half-term break (which seems like a long time ago now!) and the children have returned to what is actually the most enjoyable (and busiest) term of the year. Please see the PTA news below, for all the events lined up in the coming weeks. To get us all in the Christmas mood the children will bring home their Christmas cards this week and all orders/money need to be returned by Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> November.

### Governor News

Please find a letter attached from Hester, our Chair of Governors, which gives an insight to the roles and responsibilities of our school Governors.

### Children In Need

In return for a £1 donation for Children in Need, the children may wear their own clothes to school on Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> November. Please wear sensible clothing/footwear!

### Homework Policy

Our homework policy is now on the school website under 'Policies' giving advice and guidelines for parents. If there are any problems completing homework, please let the teachers know.

### Severe Snow/Ice Weather Advice

Please do look on our website, for advice regarding procedures during severe weather:  
<http://www.brabourne.kent.sch.uk/parents/snowbad-weather-2/>

### After School Clubs

I have noticed that some children have been signed up for sports clubs but are then not taking part – choosing instead to sit and watch. I have spoken to the children concerned about the importance of committing to a club and trying their best.

Also, now the evenings are getting dark earlier, all children will be kept in classes/hall after clubs, until collected by parents – as a safety measure.

### Junk Modelling Club

Mrs Miller would very much appreciate any donations of boxes/cartons/yoghurt pots...etc. that can be used for the modelling club.

### Early Morning Club

The early morning club has started successfully and we have 8 or 9 regular children attending. At this stage there is no need to book so if you suddenly decide you need to use the club, please just turn up. Any children attending the club must enter the school through the office (for register purposes), any time after 8.15am. Parents will be given an invoice at the end of each month (cost is £1.50 per morning but a complete week will cost £6, with 1 day being free).

### 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) Parents must not upload photos/videos of any children in school, to social media sites, without specific parental permission from those concerned.
- 3) Shoebox Appeal - Any filled boxes you would like to donate can be dropped in to Mrs Mac or taken to SJM Estate Agents (near the village shop), before 18<sup>th</sup> November.

## RESPECT – RESPONSIBILITY – HOPE - COURAGE

### PTA News

#### **Cake Sale**

*Big thank you to everyone for their support at the end of term cake Sale which raised a fantastic £202.*

#### **Spooky Disco**

*Don't forget the Spooky Disco is on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November from 5.30 – 7pm. There will be some healthy snacks throughout the Disco and nail painting and glitter tattoos will also be available at 50p each. We will be running the photo booth again with photos available to purchase the following week. Any fancy dress welcome, it doesn't have to be spooky!*

#### **Christmas Fair**

*Already! The fair will be on Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Dec from 11 – 1 with all the usual family fun and of course, Santa's grotto. In preparation for the fair, we will be running the following donation days:*

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> Nov: Jazzy Jars**

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec: Chocolates**

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Dec: Bottle for the Tombola**

*We will send lots of reminders nearer the time but make sure you save the date in your diary, it would be lovely to see lots of families there.*

*Jane Reid*

*PTA Chair*

**Andrew Stapley**

**Headteacher**

### **Dates for diary**

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| 10 Nov | Damian Collins MP – visiting school<br>PTA – Spooky Disco – 5.30pm-7pm     |
| 11 Nov | School Open Morning – 10am - midday  |
| 17 Nov | Children in Need<br>Mars Class visit – Leeds Castle                        |
| 24 Nov | PTA non-uniform day – Jazzy Jars   |
| 30 Nov | Flu vaccinations YR-Y4 – Details to follow                                 |
| 1 Dec  | PTA non-uniform day – Chocolate  |
| 8 Dec  | PTA non-uniform day – Bottles  |
| 9 Dec  | PTA Christmas Fayre  |
| 12 Dec | Dress Rehearsals for Christmas Plays                                       |
| 13 Dec | KS1 Christmas Play   |
| 14 Dec | KS2 Christmas Play – 6.30pm – school hall                                  |
| 15 Dec | Whole school to Panto  |
| 19 Dec | Christmas Church Service – 9am Brabourne Church<br>School Christmas Dinner |
| 20 Dec | Class Christmas Parties<br>End Term 2                                      |

PTA Surprises Room – Date to be confirmed