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# Brabourne CE Primary School



## Newsletter 7<sup>th</sup> February 2018

You may have noticed a huge improvement in the Infants play area. This is all down to the efforts of our Reception class parents and in particular Mr Haining who seems to have spent all his spare time recently clearing, cleaning and mending the area. A huge 'thank you' to Mr Haining and the other Reception parents, for all their help.

### Head Lice

We have had reports again of head lice in school so could I request that everyone check their children's hair over the coming half term and treat, if necessary. Advice on various treatments is available from pharmacists and doctors.

#### E-safety Workshop

Following on from our e-safety week with the children I will be hosting an e-safety talk, for parents, in the school hall on Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February at 2.30pm. I do urge all parents to come along if they are able to. E-safety is an ever increasing problem and I'm sure parents will find this talk very informative.

#### **Bad Weather**

Due to several new families joining the school I have again attached details of our 'bad weather' procedure, which is also available on the website under 'Parents' – please do read it in case it is needed when we return, after the holiday next week.

#### **Reminders:**

- 1) No jewellery other than stud earrings can be worn any other jewellery will be confiscated.
- 2) We recently counted 42 items in our lost property all without names. Please do name your child's clothing.
- 3) Please do not allow any school children or pre-school children to go on the playground equipment at school collection time.

#### PTA NEWS

I have been working with Mr Stapley to decide the best way to utilise the funds raised for the school by the PTA and we have decided that the PTA will help fund new laptops for the ICT suite. The existing machines are up to 10 years old and we felt the ICT suite is very much a shared space and that every year group would benefit from upgraded laptops. The payments will be split over 3 years, with the first instalment due in Sept.

**<u>Events</u>** - We have two events scheduled for next term:

**Mother's Day Surprise Room:** The date for this is Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> March and it will run during school time - the children will be offered a choice of items to buy and bring home pre-wrapped. We are looking for volunteers to go shopping to choose some items so if you don't want another windscreen scraper......sign up!

**Easter Egg Bingo:** A firm favourite with the children and one of the few events with limited spaces. It takes place on Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March. More detail to follow nearer the time.

#### <u>Online Ticket Sales</u>

We are hoping to move to online ticket sales for future events. This will cut out the need for floats, hours spent counting each 20p,50p...etc. after each event and will also allow us to plan for each event based on

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the number of children actually attending, hopefully cutting down on any food waste... etc. Ticket sales will be done through PTASocial. Therefore, if you have any issues accessing the system for any reason, now is the time to flag it. Please let me know asap if you can't log in or need help using the system. We hope to be selling online tickets by Easter Egg Bingo. Jane Reid

PTA Chair

Andrew Stapley Headteacher

#### **Dates for diary**

Fri 9 Feb	Term 3 ends
Mon 19Feb	Staff Development Day – No children in school
Tues 20 Feb	Term 4 starts
Thurs 22 Feb	Rapid Fire Cricket Competition – Team from Y3/Y4
Friday 23 Feb	E-Safety talk for parents (2.30pm School Hall)
Tues 6 Mar	Mini-tennis (team from Y3/Y 4)
Fri 9 Mar	PTA – Mothers Day Surprises Room
Tues 20 Mar	Quicksticks hockey (team from Y5/Y6)
Fri 23 Mar	PTA Easter Egg Bingo
Tues 27 Mar	Quicksticks hockey (team from Y3/Y4)
Thurs 29 Mar	Term 4 Ends
Mon 16 Apr	Staff Development Day – No children in school
Tues 17 Apr	Term 5 starts
Mon 7 May	Bank Holiday – school closed
Fri 25 May	Term 5 ends

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