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Brabourne CE Primary School



Newsletter 20th June 2018

Ofsted

I would like to thank all the parents who completed the Ofsted survey on Monday evening. The results showed that our parents fully support the school and staff and, as soon as the report is published, I will forward it to parents. The inspector did also note how well behaved all the children were around school - I was extremely proud of them all.

Congratulations

Our congratulations to Gemma Flynn, winner of the KCC competition to design a Maths Board Game. The game Gemma designed is called Mabble and is loosely based on scrabble. Gemma's prize will be presented by Johnny Ball (those of us who are slightly older will recognise the name!) at an event to be held at the Ashford International Hotel. Well done Gemma - who knows, maybe we'll see the game in the shops one day!

Neptune Class

Well done to all the girls in Neptune Class who organised the non-uniform day and the 'Guess the number of sweets' competition. A total of £122.60 was raised for the 'save the Rainforest' appeal. I would also like to say a special 'thank you' to Mrs Reeves, who supplied the lovely jar of sweets for the prize – won by Tia Wanstall.

Visit to see Mayor of Ashford

We were lucky enough to have four children (Sam Wood, Eli, Gemma and Sasha) invited to join other schools, in visiting the Mayor recently. The discussions centred on current local issues as well as topics affecting the world today. It was a very interesting afternoon for the children, who also got to see the 'Mayor's Debating Chambers'.

Reminders:

- 1) Please make sure your child wears sensible shoes on non-school uniform days no flip flops/backless shoes/heels...etc.
- 2) Village Fete at the playing fields this Sunday, 24th June Webbo from Ashford radio to perform the opening ceremony and handing over the new basketball facility to the local community. Also, competitions to see who can score the most hoops in one minute (for different age groups) with basketballs to be won.

PTA News

Firstly, a big thank you to Jo Jakeman and all the volunteers who made the Father's Day Surprises Room a great success last week. We will let you know the total raised once all outstanding IOU's have been collected.

Secondly......The Summer Festival is coming! We are planning a smaller event this year which will run from 3.30-5pm on Friday 6^{th} July, straight after Sport's Day. There will be Music, a bar and a BBQ for you to enjoy with a few games and lots of new inflatables to entertain the children. There will also be a raffle, with tickets available both in advance and on the day.

As the event is smaller this year, we actually have far less to ask of you! However, this is what you need to know:

- We only need 16 volunteers this year. Please have a look on PTA Social if you think you would be able to help run something for 1.5 hours on the day.
- Raffle tickets; these will go out in book bags week commencing 25th June, which will include a full list of fantastic prizes available. Please sell as many as you can, more will be available from Mrs Mac if you need them. We sell a lot on the day so **please return unsold tickets to Mrs Mac**. We ran

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out of tickets last year which could have been avoided if unsold tickets had been returned.

• Non Uniform Days; there will be two non-uniform days this year:

Friday 29th June: £1 donation to PTA Thursday 5th July: Bottle for the tombola

Reminders for these days will be issued nearer the day.

Lastly, some committee news; Jane Reid will be stepping down as PTA Chair. This means we need someone else to step forward. If the thought of doing it alone is too much, consider doing it with someone else. This has been very successful in the past. The PTA raises vital funds for the school and ensures the children can enjoy lots of fun activities, which both support their learning and also just lets them have fun. If you think you might be interested, please feel free to speak to Jane and she can outline what is involved etc. it might be less than you think.

Jane Reid Chair PTA

Andrew Stapley Headteacher

Dates for diary

Mon 25 Jun Ashford Oaks pupils visiting Jupiter class

Weds 27 Jun Y6 – Safety in Action

Fri 29 Jun Jupiter class – visit to Police HQ, Maidstone

Tue 3 July Chessington trip – Jupiter class

Fri 6 July School Sports Day

PTA Summer Fair

Mon 16 July Leaver's Concert Dress Rehearsal – 2pm School Hall

Tues 17 July Y6 Leaver's Concert – 6.30pm – School Hall

Thur 19 July Leaver's Church Service – 9am Brabourne Church

Fri 20 July END OF SCHOOL YEAR