



# Brabourne CE Primary School



## Newsletter 8<sup>th</sup> January 2020

### Happy New Year

Happy New Year to everyone and I would just like to say a huge 'Thank You' from myself and all the staff, for the lovely gifts we received at the end of last term. It was really most kind and I hope you all enjoyed the Christmas break.

I would also like to say a special thank you to Jen Wood and all the other parents in our PTA, who kindly arranged the Christmas Fair, Surprises room, Christmas cards...etc. Money raised by the PTA also funded the Panto, National Elf Society Assembly and the Virtual Reality workshop for Neptune and Jupiter classes.

### Children starting school this September

Just a reminder to any parents with children starting school this coming September – online applications close in a few days (15<sup>th</sup> January). One application per child must be submitted, even if they already have a sibling in school.

### Pupil Premium/Free School Meals

Pupil Premium is government funding used in different ways by each school but at Brabourne School we target the funding to making sure children, from families on low incomes, are not disadvantaged in any way. We can help with things like the purchase of school uniform/private music lessons/payment for school trips as well as other activities in or outside of school. We have also used some of the funding to increase the teaching assistant hours in each class.

All infant pupils are given access to free school meals but if you are experiencing any financial hardship or are on a low income, please come and see myself or Mrs Mac, in confidence, as your child/children may be entitled to free school meals in Year 4 to Year 6 as well as Pupil Premium throughout their time in primary school.

### School Dinners

All children will bring home the new spring menu from Caterlink today. We should receive 2 weeks notice to change from/to school dinners, but often Mrs Stryzyk is able accommodate changes sooner.

Please note that we have around 10 parents every week who are in arrears with payments so please do ensure every Monday morning that there are sufficient funds, on your child's Caterlink account, to cover meals for the week.

### After School Clubs

Please find details of the after-school clubs, for terms 3 and 4 attached. Signing up lists will be in the hall after school today and tomorrow morning – they will be in the corridor by the office after that. If you wish your child to attend Mrs Selwood's dance club please place £17.50 in an envelope, with your child's name and year group on the front, and hand to Mrs Mac.

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## RESPECT – RESPONSIBILITY – HOPE - COURAGE

### Reminders

- 1) Due to 2 children in school having a Nut allergy, we would request all parents not to allow any nuts in packed lunches or snacks (includes Nutella/Peanut butter).
- 2) Any children arriving after 9.05am must be brought into school – please do not send them in alone, in case Mrs Mac is not in the office.
- 3) No children or pre-school children are allowed on the playground equipment after school.

**Andrew Stapley**  
**Headteacher**

### Dates for diary

6 Feb	O2 trip – Jupiter Class
14 Feb	End term 3
24 Feb	Start term 4
31 Mar	End term 4
1 Apr	Staff Development Day – No children in school
16 Apr	Staff Development Day – No children in school
17 Apr	Staff Development Day – No children in school
20 Apr	Start term 5
8 May	Bank Holiday – school closed
22 May	End term 5
1 Jun	Staff Development Day – No children in school
2 Jun	Start term 6
22 Jul	End term 6