



# Brabourne CE Primary School



## Newsletter 11<sup>th</sup> March 2020

### **New member of staff**

Parents with children in Year 5/6 may have already met Mrs Laura Barnes who has joined Jupiter class in the mornings as an additional Teaching Assistant. We warmly welcome her to our school. Mrs Barnes has a great deal of experience in education and is also a very accomplished artist!

### **After-School Clubs**

- 1) Football club cancelled this Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> March – Coach Walker with team at match v Brook School.
- 2) Athletics Club cancelled next week – Tues 17<sup>th</sup> March.
- 3) Cookery Club – Please could all parents/carers wait **outside** Venus classroom, until Mrs Bancroft has finished and lined all the children up to go.

### **Annual survey**

Are there any more survey forms to come back please? To date we have received only a handful – feel free to complete and return via email for Mrs Mac to print. We sincerely value your support for the school and your ideas for improvements.

### **E-Safety**

In case anyone was unable to attend the workshop last week, I have uploaded the PowerPoint presentation to our website:

<http://www.brabourne.kent.sch.uk/letters-home/>

### **Sport Relief**

We are planning for children to come to school in their PE kit, this Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March, with a £1 donation, in an effort to raise funds for this very worthy cause (see the House Captains' News below).

### **Easter Competition**

This year, all children can take part in our Easter competition and there will be 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prizes in each class. We are asking the children to do a picture about Easter – it can be in any format: paint, pencil, crayon, felt pen...etc. and should be A4 size. Finished pictures will need to be brought to school on Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> March for judging.

### **PTA News**

Please join us as we continue to raise funds for the new outdoor building:

- 1) Mother's Day Surprise Room (Weds 18<sup>th</sup> March) - any volunteers welcome - please see Jen or Bea.
- 2) EASTER BINGO – Tuesday, 31st March 6-8pm - bring a picnic tea and hopefully take home some yummy eggs. There will also be a fun raffle. Tickets will be available soon, all welcome. A special night as it's the last one Jay and Lorraine Hill will be hosting, after many years of organising our Easter fun.

### **Reminders:**

- 1) No phones/jewellery or other expensive items (e.g. smart watches) to be brought into school

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- 2) All children must bring a coat as they will go outside at break-times even if it is drizzling
- 3) Summer Term new menu attached to email – please note that 2 weeks notice is needed to change to/from school dinners

**Andrew Stapley**  
**Headteacher**

### House Captain News – Term 4

*In this article of the House Captain News we will be telling you about what's been going on in the school lately including a competition, a trip to the O2 and much, much more...*

*This term's House Captain Competition is to design an invention that would be handy for the far future. You can make it, or draw it, whichever you like, but it must not exist already. Your entry must be in by the 25<sup>th</sup> March and you can start creating it now for the chance to win a fabulous art set! Best of luck!*

*On the 6<sup>th</sup> February 2020, most of Jupiter class embarked on a two hour journey to the O2 area in London. The children enjoyed singing their hearts out as over 8000 children created the Young Voices choir for adults to watch. It was an amazing experience for the pupils (and teachers) who came along. Some children who stayed at school still had an exciting time sculpting turtles out of clay (in other words they had a whale of a time!). The choir arrived back at school at around 10.30pm. The following day at school was full of moans and groans about the lack of sleep the day before, but all agreed it was worth it!*

*Pupils at Brabourne have always asked about our school's past history and one afternoon all of our questions were answered. The year sixes got the opportunity to ask some of the local residents about what it was like to have gone to Brabourne School almost a century ago. They showed us a range of photographs of our village and told us amazing stories about their school days. There was also a variety of snacks on offer (to Mr Stapley's liking) and we had the chance to show them how the school has changed and developed. For example, the ICT room used to be the kitchen. We all had a blast.*

*It has been a busy but brilliant half year so far as House Captains. We had a fabulous House Day at the beginning of the year and this Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March, we are organising another for Sport's Relief. For a pound, pupils will get to dress in a PE kit for the day and take part in a morning of sport, mindfulness and complete a Sport's Relief mile run. We hope it will be another morning to remember.*

*This concludes your House Captain News. We hoped you enjoyed reading this article. That's all for now, bye!*

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### Dates for diary

13 Mar	Sport Relief Y5/Y6 Football Match v Brook School (away)
17 Mar	Quicksticks Hockey Tournament – Y5/Y6
18 Mar	Mother’s Day Surprises Room
19 Mar	KS2 SATs talk from Mrs Burnett (Y6 parents) – 2.45pm
24 Mar	Quicksticks Hockey Tournament – Y3/Y4
24 Mar	KS1 SATs talk from Mrs Miller (Y2 parents) – 2.45pm
25 Mar	Parent Consultation Evenings House Captains’ Competition closes (make something for the future)
26 Mar	Parent Consultation Evenings
27 Mar	Easter Picture Competition closes
28 Mar	ADPSSA Football Tournament
31 Mar	Easter Church Service 9am PTA – Easter Egg Bingo – School hall 6-8pm 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	PTA – Cake sale
22 May	End term 5
1 Jun	Staff Development Day – No children in school
2 Jun	Start term 6
4 Jul	Julie Rose Athletics
22 Jul	End term 6