



Brabourne CE Primary School

Newsletter 21st October 2020

End of Term 1

As we approach the end of an unusual term, but a very successful one, I would like to wish all of the staff and pupils a restful half term. I would like to thank everyone for their contributions in ensuring the school has run so smoothly. I have been incredibly impressed by the children and the way they have applied themselves in school and in the polite manners they have shown. This Friday we will be giving out Bronze, Silver and Gold certificates for outstanding achievements this term.

School Kitchen Temporary Closure

As I am sure you have heard the school kitchen is closed for another day today, due to issues with the drainage. There has been a team working on this issue continuously over the last few days and they have just confirmed that it has now been fixed, so we will be able to issue hot meals again from tomorrow.

Please note that Mrs S. will now be cooking a roast dinner tomorrow, as it was missed today. There will also be jacket potatoes and the vegetarian option (roast Quorn fillet) available.

Samaritan's Purse

Children in Neptune/Jupiter will bring home flyers this week regarding the 'Shoebox' scheme whereby shoeboxes are filled with small gifts for underprivileged children across the world, at Christmas. If any parent in Mars/Venus would like a leaflet, please ask Mrs Mac as we have a few spare but not enough to send home with everyone. If you wish to assemble a shoebox please ask Mrs Mac to send home a shoebox, via your child. When complete, please drop it into the school office or deliver to Steve J Moore Lettings and Estate Agents, Lees Road, Brabourne Lees. Empty shoeboxes are also available from the Baptist Church or Steve Moore's Estate Agents.

School Car Park

One of our staff recently spent some considerable time collecting rubbish strewn around the car park. There were quite a number of used disposable face masks and baby/hand wipes collected and so I must ask that everyone makes sure they take their litter home with them please. I am aware that occasionally other people also use the car park but by and large it is mainly school parents/staff/visitors.

I must also insist that all parents collect their children and take them straight to their cars via the one way system – increasingly I am seeing children left on their own to run out of school across the car park while parents are chatting.

Photos

Sarah Prescott will be collecting all orders for photos on Friday – if you have not yet placed an order please send to school tomorrow (Thursday).

As many of you are aware Sarah would normally have taken photos of siblings and pre-school siblings but, due to the current situation, was unable to do so this year. If you would like a photo (of family/children) taken privately – please see the attached flyer from Sarah, whose photography studio is at Aldington.

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Parent Evenings

Our parent consultations by phone are progressing well, with only the following now left:

Neptune Class Year 4 – Wednesday 21st October – Calls will be between 3.45pm-7pm

Jupiter Class Year 6 – Thursday 22nd October – Calls will be between 3.45pm-7pm

Siblings Starting School 2021

Are there any more families who haven't advised Mrs Mac that they have a sibling starting in Sept. 2021 - if you haven't already done so could you please let Mrs Mac know?

Data Collection Forms

A huge thank you for the prompt return of most of the Data Collection forms. Please do return these before Friday, in order that Mrs Mac can update our records over the half-term break. Any corrections should be made clearly to the side/below preferably in red pen.

Reminders

1) Clothing Bin

The clothing bin (by the bicycle rack) will be emptied this Friday – if the bin is full, please leave any items, in bags, to the side.

2) Covid-19 Tests

We are trying to keep a record of any children who have been tested, so could I ask parents forward any test results to Mrs Mac – office@brabourne.kent.sch.uk please?

Wishing you all a happy and safe half term.

Andrew Stapley
Headteacher

Dates for diary

Fri 23 Oct – Term 1 ends

Mon 2 Nov – Term 2 starts

Tues 15 Dec – Flu immunisation

Thurs 17 Dec – Term 2 ends