



# Brabourne CE Primary School



## Newsletter 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2021

### **Welcome back**

We are delighted to be welcoming back all of our pupils from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. I am sure the children will all be excited to re-establish their school routines and see their friends, teachers and TAs again. We will spend time making sure the children are settled upon their return and we will reassure them if they have any worries or concerns. On Friday, I will send a separate letter to parents/carers which should be read carefully, as it will contain important information about the return to school. We very much look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

### **Laptops/ipads**

Please could those parents or carers, who borrowed laptops or ipads, return them to the school from Monday. You will need to sign a form to say that you have returned them. Again, I would like to thank the generosity of the local community, who donated the laptops, for families in need.

### **Parent Governors**

I am very pleased to advise parents that Lena Valentine (Milius' mother) and Natasha Hilton (Jacob and Evelyn's mother) have now been appointed as the new parent Governors. My sincere thanks to the two previous parent Governors, Sarah Hopker and Sarah Vant, who have devoted so much time and energy to the Governing body over the last four years.

### **PTA**

As mentioned in previous newsletters, the current PTA committee members are looking to step down this year, after many years of raising money for the school. The funds raised by PTA events allow us to buy additional resources and equipment, as well as undertake exciting projects (such as the current lodge build). PTA events also enrich the school year, for the children and wider school community. I would like to thank Mrs Wood, Mrs Coombes and Mrs Waller for their hard work and dedication as members of the current PTA. If anyone would be interested in forming a new PTA, please contact me directly, and I would be more than happy to discuss any aspect of the PTA roles with you.

### **Clubs/PE days**

We will continue to ask parents to send children to school in their PE kits on the allocated days for their class. They should also wear the following:

Year R            Plimsolls or trainers

Years 1- 6       Trainers

A pair of jogging bottoms (if needed for warmth)

Their school jumper (to wear to keep warm)

Please see the attached after school club timetable which also gives the days each class should come to school in PE kit.

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## RESPECT – RESPONSIBILITY – HOPE - COURAGE

### Early Club

We will be starting the 'Early Morning' club again from Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> March and parents will need to take children to the hall door. The club starts at 8.15am and costs £1.50 per day, but if attending for a whole week the cost is £6. There is no need to book at this time but if numbers do become too high we may have to consider some sort of booking arrangement. Please do pay on the day if using the club on an ad-hoc basis (money in an envelope with child's name on front please) – parents of children using the club regularly will be invoiced by Mrs Mac at the end of the month.

### School Dinners

School dinners cost £2.29 per day (except for infant children in years R, 1 and 2 who receive free dinners) and we will continue to give school dinners as per the register before Christmas. There is a new menu and a copy is attached – please note we are commencing with week 3 (pizza on first day back). If you wish to change your child to/from school dinners please advise Mrs Mac before the end of this week as we will require 2 weeks notice, of any changes, from next Monday.

Please make sure that school dinners are paid for in advance (online) or on the day (in cash to office) as this will save a great deal of time for Mrs Mac who has to chase for payments every week.

### Reminders

- 1) **All children should bring a water bottle into school please – they are now required for lunch times (to avoid the need for plastic cups).**
- 2) If your child is unwell and will be absent from school, please phone the office by 9.15am – do not send an email as occasionally Mrs Mac may not be in and then the office emails will not get accessed until later in the day.
- 3) **Due to 2 children in school having a serious Nut allergy, we would request that all parents do not allow any nuts in packed lunches or snacks (includes Nutella/Peanut butter).**

With best wishes,

**Andrew Stapley**  
Headteacher

### Dates for diary

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| Thursday 1 Apr       | Term 4 Ends                  |
| <b>Monday 19 Apr</b> | <b>Staff Development Day</b> |
| Tuesday 20 April     | Term 5 Starts                |
| <b>Monday 3 May</b>  | <b>Bank Holiday</b>          |
| Friday 28 May        | Term 5 Ends                  |
| <b>Monday 7 June</b> | <b>Staff Development Day</b> |
| Tuesday 8 June       | Term 6 Starts                |
| Wednesday 21 July    | Term 6 Ends                  |