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Brabourne CE Primary School

Newsletter 5th January 2022

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.

After-School Clubs

Please note there are some changes to after-school clubs this term. We have been able to introduce a 'cookery club' and an 'art club' although these will have limited numbers and do have a small weekly cost attached. Please read the attached letter regarding the Cookery club and, if your child is interested, please hand in the completed slip with payment (as per the letter) to Mrs. Mac, tomorrow or Friday. As stated, the first 12 received will be allocated a space.

With regards the Art club, please place the correct money in an envelope (£30) with your child's name on the front and hand to Mrs. Mac. Again, the first 6 to be received will be allocated a space. We are not going to ask parents to 'sign up' to the other clubs – we will see how many attend the first session and, if the club is well over the allocated number, we will try and find an assistant to help run the club. We would ask that, if children attend the first week, they should attend all the sessions.

PE kits

The other main change is that children in Years 1-6 (Mars/Neptune/Jupiter classes) will need to come in PE kit on Wednesday and FRIDAY, starting from next week.

Meanwhile, Venus class need only wear PE kit on Wednesdays.

Any children attending Gymnastics or Dance club will need to bring PE kit in on the day, in order to change at the end of the day.

Children starting school this September

Just a reminder to any parents with children starting school this coming September – online applications close soon (17th January). One application per child must be submitted, even if they already have a sibling in school.

Private Music Lessons

For many years Mr. Dray has offered private music tuition for a range of instruments. Sadly, these cannot continue as Mr. Dray has recently started a new position, as Director of Music, with Spring Grove school. Fortunately, Mr. Dray will still be able to give class music lessons at this school, and will continue to assist with our Church services and concerts...etc. We wish Mr. Dray every success in his new position.

If any parents would like their children to have private instrument tuition, please do take a look at what the Kent Music school can offer:

https://www.kent-music.com/

We can then liaise with Kent Music to arrange for individual music teachers to come into school on a weekly basis.

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Early Club

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.

In good weather Miss Court will take the children in the playground (only using the hall if raining). Therefore, please use the main playground gate for early club in good weather (you will see Miss Court in the top part of the playground) and the hall door if it is raining.

Under no circumstances are children to arrive before 8.15am and then be left on their own outside the school.

Reminders

- 1) Due to 2 children in school having a serious Nut allergy, we would request all parents not to allow any nuts in packed lunches or snacks (includes Nutella/Peanut butter).
- 2) All school dinners must now be paid for online.
- 3) Please advise Mrs Mac by 9.15am every day if your child is ill or cannot attend school (do not email). Any child suffering from sickness/diarrhoea must not return to school for 48 hours.

With best wishes Andrew Stapley Headteacher

Dates for diary

Fri 11 Feb Term 3 ends Mon 21 Feb Term 4 starts Term 4 ends Fri 1 Apr Weds 20 Apr Term 5 starts Mon 2 May Bank Holiday Fri 27 May Term 5 ends Weds 8 June Term 6 starts Thurs 21 July Term 6 ends