



Respect, Responsibility, Hope, Courage

# Brabourne

## CofE Primary School

Wednesday 15th June 2022

**REMINDER: Year 5 - Secondary School Application Process meeting - Thursday 16th June at 6.00 pm**

### Staff News

A very warm welcome to Mrs Jowett, who joins us as an additional Teaching Assistant in Mars Class. We wish her a very happy time with us as part of the Brabourne team!

We are also pleased to shortly welcome back Mrs Burnett from her maternity leave. Mrs Burnett will return to work on the 29th June. I would like to thank Mrs Barnes, who has done a tremendous job of teaching Neptune Class for this period. Mrs Barnes will remain in Neptune Class, as Mrs Burnett will be returning part-time. The teaching schedule will be: Monday, Tuesday Mrs Barnes                      Wednesday, Thursday, Friday Mrs Burnett. We will also organise an opportunity for Neptune parents to meet Mrs Burnett following her return.

### Fantastic Fred

At the end of last term, the children had a great deal of fun watching the Fantastic Fred experience. Run by the NHS, the show led by live actors is specifically designed to inform, equip and build resilience. The children learnt practical ways that they can look after their mental and physical health and well-being.



### Sporting Success

Following on from our Gold Sports Award, the children have been showing lots of determination in the competitive events this term! After several stunning individual wins for pupils at the Ashford School Biathlon (Swimming and Running), Brabourne won the 'Best Visiting School' for Year 6.



**Big Battery Hunt:** Thank you for all the batteries collected so far. If you still have any lurking at home please note that the final date to send them into school is **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June**. This is to ensure they can

be counted by the Eco-Team and our total submitted into the competition, where we may win prizes for the school.



Congratulations also to the Year 3/4 boys' football team who came second in the RUSH schools football tournament last week. Great determination, some excellent goals and saves and brilliant Brabourne team spirit all around!



## Tree planting

The school was gifted an Oak sapling, from the Mayor of Ashford, as part of the Queen's Jubilee celebrations. Evie and George in Y6 had the honour of planting the tree on the school field. George and Evie are the school's Ambassadors and have worked hard all year taking visitors around on school tours. Like our Conker tree, we hope that the little sapling grows into a strong oak and, that one day, the children will be able to return as adults to see the tree fully grown.



We had some delightful feedback from the Bikeability team, who really enjoyed their time with our children and commented how enthusiastic and sensible they were during their sessions. Despite the awful weather, all of our children passed with flying colours!



The PTA are now well into planning the Summer Fair and the local estate agents, Steven J Moore, have agreed to do their board fundraiser again. We will receive £15 per board that families agree to have in their front gardens advertising the Summer Fair. Please let Mrs Roberts/the school office know if you are willing to advertise a board in your garden.

**Gardening Club** - Our first crop of lettuce has been picked and delivered to Mrs Hollier, which was included in today's salad. The children also picked some strawberries for a tasty treat!



## Parking

Please ensure that on Tuesdays, when Jupiter and Neptune Class return from swimming, drivers are patient coming into the car park, to allow the children to safely disembark from the coach.

## Wimbledon Lunch Menu - Thursday 7th July

Caterlink will be serving a special menu for our children on **Thursday 7th July** for Wimbledon which will include:

Home Baked Sausage Roll, Vegetable Frittata, Crushed New Potatoes, Peas or Rainbow Coleslaw. Fresh Kent Strawberries with Shortbread Biscuit

Also available: Jacket Potato & Fillings Freshly Baked Bread, Salad, Fresh Fruit Platter & Yoghurt







### Calling all Superheroes...

This term Venus class are learning about heroes and would be very grateful for any donations of superhero toys and figures that may have been looking for a new and loving home.

### A skills-based curriculum

The staff have been working hard this year to make our curriculum exciting and enriching for the children. There has been some fantastic Art and DT work this term, with children building up their skills and knowledge of how to paint, draw and craft over a sequence of lessons. To read more about our curriculum, please see: [Our curriculum - Brabourne Church of England Primary School](#)



### Flag

You may have noticed the triumphant return of the flagpole in the school garden, after many years. Currently, it is proudly flying the Union Jack in honour of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We would also like the children to design their own 'Brabourne Flag' and we are therefore launching a competition to design a flag which represents and encapsulates our school. The children should hand their designs into Mr Stapley or the school office by **Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> July**. The winning design will be made into a flag to fly in the school garden next year!

**Summer weather** As we are expecting a beautiful, but hot week of weather, please make sure that children have sunscreen applied before school and come to school with a hat and their water bottles.

Father's Day present room Friday 17th June. The children are able to bring in £2.50 to buy a present for Father's Day, all funds going to the school's PTA fund!

With best wishes

Andrew Stapley

Headteacher

### Dates for your diary:

16th June Year 5 Parents' Meeting regarding Secondary School application—6pm in Jupiter Class  
20th June Army Day!  
23rd June Jupiter to Kent Life  
24th June Year 6 to Safety in Action  
4th July Year 6 to Kent Police  
6th-8th July Year 6 to Bewl Water Residential  
15th July Sports Day followed by Summer Fair  
19th July Leavers' Service at Church  
20th July Year 6 End of Year Production

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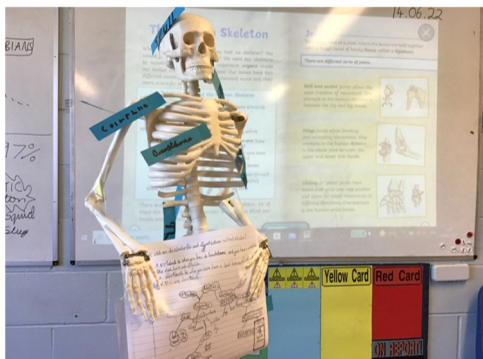
## Class News



There have been some 'egg-citing' new visitors in Venus Class, with the hatching of 3 little ducklings! The babies are growing quickly and Venus Class have enjoyed learning about how to take care of them.



Sid our skeleton has been very impressed with Neptune's science learning this week. He has chosen Josh's work on categorising endoskeletons, exoskeletons and hydrostatic skeletons to hold up and share!



Mars Class have set up an experiment to see what cress needs to grow. A control pot was set up with light, soil, water and correct temperature and then 4 other pots omitting one of these variables. The children made predictions and have been excited to come in and observe what has been happening.



Some members of Jupiter Class choir have been busy rehearsing for their evening summer concert, to be held at the Ashford International Hotel next week. The evening is in aid of and the local children's charity Dandelion Time and we are sure it will be a spectacular evening!

