



Wednesday 29th June 2022

Meet Mrs Burnett

As we welcome Mrs Burnett back to Neptune Class, alongside Mrs Barnes, there is an opportunity for Neptune parents to meet Mrs Burnett after school on **Thursday**, **30**th **June**. Please wait to be let in through the main school gate at 3.30pm.

Maths

We understand that many parents feel like maths has changed and that it's sometimes difficult to keep up to date with modern teaching methods. Well don't worry, we're here to help you bridge the gap between school and home! Please take a look at the Brabourne website on the link below. At the bottom you will find Guides For Parents and a list of concept guides and videos.

Maths - Brabourne Church of England Primary School

English

We have uploaded some examples of Expected and Greater Depth writing for parents to see what the children are aiming for in each year group. These include examples of content and presentation. We hope you find them useful. Please scroll down to the bottom of the page.

English - Brabourne Church of England Primary School

International Award

We are really pleased to announce that the school has been awarded the **British Council International Schools** Award for 2022! Well done to everyone involved. Below are some excerpts from the assessor:



"There is an excellent range of work seeking to develop and embed a whole school commitment to international teaching and learning. The school appreciates the key importance of raising awareness of national and international identity and you enjoy wide support for embedding, developing and celebrating international activity and global reach. Your curriculum planning has resulted in an enhanced ability of the pupils to be able to both compare and contrast aspects of their lives and customs with ones overseas and use your links with Pakistan, Bangladesh and Germany in an impactful way across the school curriculum. It is excellent to see your outstanding commitment to languages and support for globally aware young people. Celebrating Black History Month, Fairtrade and debates in the Houses of Parliament are tribute to your commitment to creative and impactful educational opportunities".

PTA plastic amnesty: Outside the front of the school you may have noticed a bin for a "plastic amnesty". The PTA has asked for any little plastic toys hanging around at home, to be recycled in a stall at the fair. Please donate anything you have lying around (that isn't broken) such as the little toys found in fast-food meals etc.





Moments of Reflection

We are very grateful to Reverend Chris and Reverend Susan who have been in fortnightly this year to deliver Open the Book, along with their team of volunteers from the village. The children have really enjoyed dressing up and re-enacting stories form the Bible. During Collective Worship, a few children are chosen

to write a prayer and read it to the school. We have been very

impressed with their depth of thought and include a few examples below:

Dear God

Thank you for our world and everything in it. Thank you for our friends and school. May we all be valued - everyone of us is unique and special.

Amen

Dear God

Thank you for kindness, care and growth. Thank you for the wonders of nature - let us cherish it and watch it grow for future generations.

Amen

Military Activity Day

The children had a brilliant day of team-building and resilience training activities with ex-army personnel. We were really impressed with the children's determination and stamina!











The next dates from the PTA leading up to the fair are:

Friday 1st **July** – non uniform day – Jazzy Jars (fill a jar with something for the raffle e.g. sweets, treats).

Ice cream sale after school - 50p and £1.

Friday 8th July – non uniform day – bring a bottle

Ice cream sale after school - 50p and £1.





Picnic in the Park - Venus and Mars

Venus and Mars Class parents are invited to a 'Picnic in the Park' on our school field on **Wednesday**13th July. Please arrive at 1.45pm to set up your picnic blanket and food and we will bring the children down to meet you. Please drive through the gate and park by the hedge on the left hand side of the field and then set up at the far end of the field. New Year R parents and children are also welcome. This is a chance to welcome our new Year Rs and parents to the school and also an opportunity to say goodbye to Year 2s who will be moving on into KS2 in September.

For parents that are unable to attend, please can you provide your child with a packed lunch for the picnic (this is in addition to their school dinner or packed lunch).

We really look forward to seeing you all and sharing this time with you.

Flag Competition

A reminder that all design for a new Brabourne flag for the school garden to Mr Stapley by **Friday 1**st **July**!



Thank you to everyone for collecting batteries as part of the Great Battery hunt!
The Eco Team have counted them and Brabourne collected **3764** batteries in total!

Dates for your diary:

1st July Non Uniform Day for Summer Fair 4th July Year 6 to Kent Police 6th-8th July Year 6 to Bewl Water Residential 8th July Non Uniform Day for Summer Fair 13th July Venus & Mars Picnic in the Park 15th July Sports Day followed by Summer Fair 19th July Leavers' Service at Church 20th July Year 6 End of Year Production 21st July Last day of Term 6

With best wishes Andrew Stapley

Headteacher

Website: www.brabourne.kent.sch.uk

Sports Day and the Summer Fair are only a few weeks away! Please put the date in your diaries and encourage others to come along and support the school and enjoy the community occasion!

Sports Day will run from 1.30pm to approximately 2.45pm. Can parents please arrive before this time (from 12.30pm onwards) as the gate to the field will be closed at 1.15pm. The children will then return to their classrooms where they need to be picked up as usual by parents/carers. Once the children are with their parents, you are then free to make your way to the summer fair stalls which will open at 3.15pm.

Wrap around care

Thank you for all the responses to the wrap around care survey. We will be sending out a second questionnaire next week, including the proposed costings. Please confirm if you would then like to take up a place in September, so that we can gauge numbers and confirm if it is feasible.



Books

Hundreds of new books have arrived to supplement the class libraries, following our sponsored read last year - we hope the children enjoy them!





Class News

Mars News

In Art, we have been looking at sculptures and the materials they are made from. We made our own clay face sculptures thinking carefully about the features and what objects would best suit them.





Neptune News

Neptune Class have been drawing Egyptian curse jars. The children had to design their own jar, include hieroglyphics and write about how their jar





Jupiter News

Jupiter Class enjoyed a fun trip to Kent Life last week; they enjoyed participating in workshops on the Stone Age and meeting a prehistoric human called Claw!





