



Respect, Responsibility, Hope, Courage

Brabourne

CofE Primary School

15th September 2023

Welcome Back

Welcome back to a brand new school year and I hope you all had a wonderful summer. I'm sure you've noticed the irony that the weather has now improved dramatically since we've returned to school! However, it has allowed us to get the children outside as much as possible, both during lessons and also at break times.

I warmly welcome our new staff, children and families and hope your time at Brabourne is full of happy memories.

It has been a pleasure to see our new Year R children in school. They have shown so much confidence already and I am sure, after a full week this week, they will appreciate some down-time over the weekend! The majority of our Year 6 children took the Kent Test on Thursday. I cannot fault them on their perseverance, during what was a long and one of the hottest days of the year.

Updated Termly Plans

Each term you can discover coverage of children's learning on the school's class pages. Please click on the link nearest the top of the page which says 'Term 1 2023':

[Venus](#) [Mars](#) [Neptune](#) [Jupiter](#)

Meet The Teachers

We have warmly welcomed our new colleagues to the school and it feels like they have always been part of the team! We hope you have enjoyed the opportunity to meet them at our Meet The Teacher sessions and we will ensure they are periodically available at the school gate/entrances to say hello during the week.

Shelter

Our spectacular shelter, covering Venus and Mars' outdoor area, was built over the summer, thanks to the amazing efforts of the PTA

and the generosity of our school community. The shelter, as well as a repositioned shelter over Neptune Class, will allow us to further embed our unique approach to learning through continuous provision in the Infants.



Sports

We are very lucky at Brabourne to have so many specialist coaches — Coach Harry, Massie, Snare and Golding.

We will be kicking off with our first football tournaments for Y3/4 and 5/6 in a couple of weeks. This year, we are aiming for the platinum sports award!



BRITISH COUNCIL
INTERNATIONAL
SCHOOL AWARD



Prayer of the week:

Thank you for our school, for our families and for our world. Let us respect ourselves, our families and friends and create a peaceful world.

Amen

Sunflower Challenge Reminder

There is still time to send in your sunflower photographs and measurements!

Please email these to:
office@brabourne.kent.sch.uk



Gardening Awards

We were thrilled to win the 5 star RHS award at the end of the summer, with a cash prize to buy more plants for our school garden. The farm shop will be back open shortly, so look out for new produce and gifts. Several of our pupils entered the produce they had grown at the RHS show and won many first place prizes!



Parking

A reminder that, whilst the weather stays fine, the field can still be used for parking. Please park with care and consideration.



Outdoor Learning Equipment

Our pupils love playtimes and the older children are superb at encouraging the younger children and teaching them through play. A cardboard box can become a suit of armour, or an old tyre a spaceship! We would like to continue to provide our pupils with imaginative and creative opportunities for play; so if any families have any of the items on the list, that they can donate, please let us know.

Snacks

Just a reminder that we encourage our pupils to eat healthily, so snacks at breaktime should be healthy options and bottles should contain water with no squash.

Dates for your diary:

10th/12th October	Parent/carers consultation evenings
20th October	End of term 1

With best wishes,

Andrew Stapley
Headteacher

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Outdoor Learning Equipment

Old pushchairs

Tarps

Blur barrels

Brooms

Wood chunks, sand paper, hand drills, wooden circles, spanners, nuts and bolts, nails, screws, screw drivers

Ropes

Road barriers

Saucepans and frying pans

Utensils (wooden spoons, potato mashers, labels etc)

Suitcases

Dressing up clothes (to fit all ages)

Flower pots/containers of all sizes

Compost

Seeds

Chairs with removable legs

Pallets

Logs

Frisbee

Plastic milk crates

Giant cotton reel holders

Skipping ropes

Scooters

Helmets

Herbs

Small world (dinosaurs/animals)

Bigger ideas

Mud kitchen

Sand pit

Stage



PTA News

The silver coin challenge will start on **2nd October** so could parents please start saving / collecting silver change ready to bring to school? More details to follow very soon!



The PTA needs a new display board. If anyone is a or knows a crafty DIY person who would consider building us a (fairly simple) display board, we'd love to hear from them! All materials will be provided, we are 'just' looking for someone with the skill and time to build it for us. To get in touch please email brabournecepspta@gmail.com. Thank you.



A reminder for everybody to join us for a drink and some cake **after school on 22nd September**. We hope lots of new and old Brabourne families will be able to come. We do need some cake donations & cakes can be dropped off on the morning of the 22nd at school. Thank you!!

Parent Evenings - Autumn Term

These will be taking place on **Tuesday 10th and Thursday 12th October** after school.

This year you will be able to book your slots online using the Teachers2Parents, Parent Evening system. Further information about this system will be sent home soon.

Please note there will be no after school clubs or Wrap Around after school on both of these days.

Term 2 Clubs

Science Club

We are excited to have Mr Scott Poleykett return to school to run his Science after school club in **Term 2**. Mr Poleykett will be joining us for an assembly next week to talk to the children about his club. The club will be open to all children and will be on a Wednesday afterschool (3.15 - **4.00 pm**). Mr Poleykett takes bookings and payments directly, so if you would like to book your child onto this club please do so by using this [link](#).

CreepyClaws Club

We are looking forward to running another new club in Term 2 (Mondays 3.15-4.15 pm). Mr Michael Taylor will also be coming in for an assembly to talk about his CreepyClaws club. Again sign up and payment will be done directly, and a letter will be sent home after the assembly.



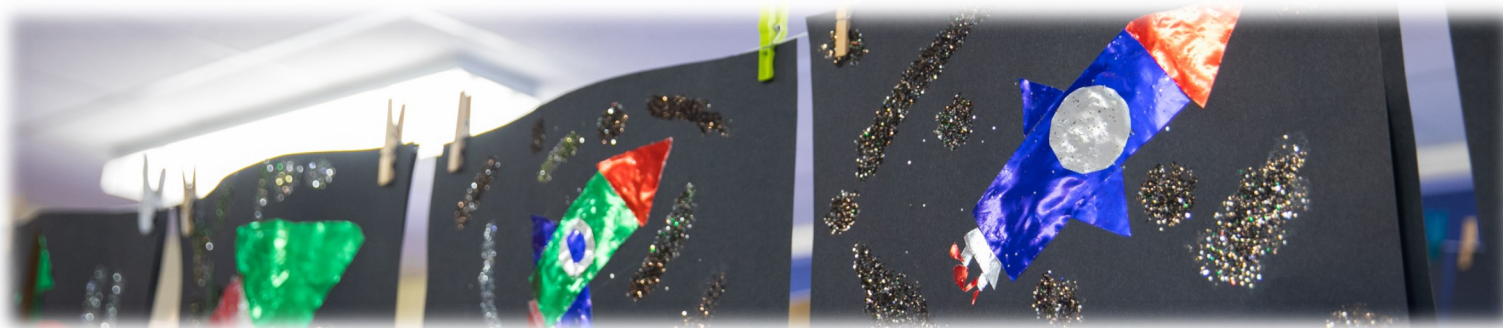
In preparation for Christmas(!) and the fabulous Young Voices concert at the O2 arena next year, we are delighted to announce that Mr Connolly, our Music Teacher, would like to run a choir/singing club next term for Key Stage 2 children (Tuesdays 3.15-4.15 pm). The cost for this will be £3.50 per week. This will be a

wonderful opportunity to learn new songs including those that will be sung at Young Voices concert. If your child would like a place at this club, please email office@brabourne.kent.sch.uk so we have an idea of numbers.



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Careers

One of our continued areas of focus is allowing the children to explore a range of future careers. If any of our families would be willing to give a talk with some of our children about their career, (in person, or by Zoom!), please let us know. We would also love to take small groups of children to different places of work, so please get in touch if you are able to help!

Proud board

Every Friday in celebration worship, each class shares something that they are proud of. In addition, we would love to hear of their achievements in/outside of school. Please send in a photo of their achievement with a paragraph about it and they will appear on our communal Proud board.

Uniform

The children have returned to school looking so smart. Please continue to encourage them to tuck their shirt in, wear their ties, look after their named items and come to school in the correct sports wear. We have a selection of Brabourne merchandise that you can now purchase from Brigade Uniform (<https://www.brigade.uk.com/>).

Ties and bookbags are available from the school office and should be paid for online using SchoolMoney.

Vision

For our new families, please see the illustration of our school vision and below, links to further information:

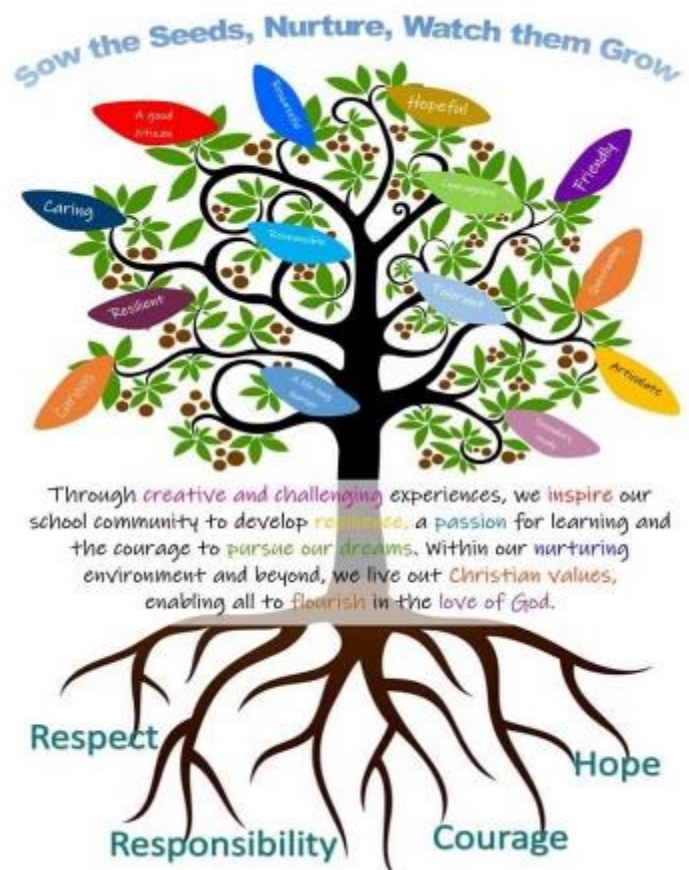
[Our curriculum - Brabourne Church of England Primary School](#)

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Attendance

If your child is absent through illness, please notify the school office, as soon as possible, by phone in the morning (we appreciate that lines can be busy so please do persevere!). Lessons now begin at 8.50 and the register closes at 9.05 (although we do appreciate that sometimes the unexpected may happen, such as busy traffic).

As a school we aim for our pupils to have excellent attendance. This year, there will be a small treat each term for the class with the highest attendance!





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We are delighted to continue to offer Our Wrap Around Care which starts at 8.15 am with our Early Club and finishes at 5.15 pm with our After School provision. Please note on **Friday's** this finishes at **4.15 pm**.

Booking must be made in advance, although we have been able to do this previously, due to staffing arrangements, **we cannot accept bookings on the day**. Please be aware the cut off on SchoolMoney for booking Wrap Around is midnight on the night before and parents must book and pay by then.

Please ensure your child is collected promptly at the end of their booked session. Charges for late picks up may be applied.

3.15 - 4.15 pm - £5.00 per day (if your child attends everyday the cost will be £20.00 per full week)

4.15 - 5.15 pm - £5.00 per day (if your child attends everyday the cost will be £20.00 per full week) *(if your child is at another club running at school between 3.15—4.15 pm, they are welcome to join After School Wrap Around between 4.15 - 5.15 pm)*

3.15 - 5.15 pm - £9.50 per day - Monday to Thursday only. Fridays 3.15-4.15 pm only - please take care when booking Fridays.

Further details can be found here: [Wrap around care - Brabourne Church of England Primary School](#). Please book in advance on [School Money](#).

From Monday 18th September, there will be an email address: wraparound@brabourne.kent.sch.uk if you wish to contact Miss Court. Please note this email is not for bookings, as these can only be made via SchoolMoney.

Miss Court will also have a mobile telephone (wef Monday 18th), which she will have with her, during Wrap Around only, if you need to contact her about pick up etc. Tel: 07842461829



Class News



Venus class have enjoyed making new friends, learning new routines and becoming

familiar with their new environment. What a fantastic first full week! The children should feel very proud of themselves for all their enthusiasm and engagement in learning.



Mars class have begun to explore the topic of the Great Fire of London. They have been researching through books and iPads, and creating art in their independent learning.



Neptune class have been learning about Creation. We have listened to the story and thought carefully about what makes the world wonderful. We created artwork to go with

our ideas.



This term, Jupiter Class are studying the Magnificent Maya. We started by researching where and when the Maya

Civilisation was; using maps and historical timelines to help us find out. We identified the Central American countries and the location of the main Maya cities on a map and then discovered that the Maya Civilisation has been around since the Bronze Age. We are looking forward to finding out much more about the Maya Civilisation.



Trip down memory lane.....

As Neptune Class are studying the Victorians, it seemed like a good time to share some old photos of our school, which is brimming with history! If anyone has memories/anecdotes of their time at Brabourne, we would love to hear from you and show you around the school today.



Year 6 Open Events

Open Mornings:

Tuesday 3rd October 2023 at 9:15-10:30
Thursday 5th October 2023 at 9:15-10:30

This will consist of speeches in the Hall, followed by a tour with our Year 8 students.



Please follow the link below or scan the QR code to sign up.



To register: <https://forms.office.com/e/SC5AJjB6sk>



ST ANSELM'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL OPEN EVENING

THURSDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER 2023 | 6.00–8.30PM

We warmly invite you and your family to attend our forthcoming Open Evening for September 2024 entry. Visit our subject departments, meet our staff and students, and learn more about our caring and inclusive community where everyone belongs.

There will be talks from our Headteacher, Mr Rowarth, at **6.15** and **7.15pm**

Our site is wheelchair accessible and we encourage applications from students of all faiths and denominations. Parking will be available free of charge at the Old Dover Road Park and Ride.

PRE-BOOKING NOT REQUIRED

Year 7 Admissions Information - September 2024 - Simon Langton Girls' Grammar School

Based in Canterbury, Kent, Simon Langton Girls' Grammar School firmly believe that for students to do well, they have to feel good about being at school and good about themselves.

<https://www.langton.kent.sch.uk/admissions/year-7-admissions-information-september-2024>

THE NORTH SCHOOL WELCOMES YEAR 6 STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES



THE NORTH SCHOOL



Year 6 Open Mornings will take place over two weeks as follows:
Monday 2nd to Thursday 5th October 2023, Monday 9th to Friday 13th October 2023

There will be two tours available each day at 9.30am and 10.45am
Only one parent and one child per family are requested to attend

Please book your place via email at tns-openmorningbookings@swale.at

The North School
Essexia Road
Ashford Kent TN24 8AL

Tel: 01233 814600
Web: www.thenorthschool.org.uk
Email: tns-office@swale.at

**Thanks to funding from
Tesco Community Grant and Groundwork
UK, from 11th September, we are able to
offer our advice clinics for free to families
living in**

TENTERDEN

and the surrounding borough

**please email admin@autismapprentice.co.uk
or call 03000110300 to book an appointment**



Thanks to funding from Tesco Community Grant and Groundwork UK, we currently have free appointments available for our advice clinics for families living in Tenterden and the surrounding borough of Ashford. These are for children and young people with or without a diagnosis.

All staff have lived experience and can help with most processes, offer strategies and understanding.

The most popular topics are:

Anxiety

Diagnosis – both post and pre diagnosis

Behaviour

Communication

Education

Emotional support for parents

Food/diet difficulties

Sensory processing

Sleep

Appointments last approximately 30-45 minutes and are carried out by Zoom or Teams. Where these are not available, we can carry out the appointment by phone.

Please feel free to visit our social media and website for testimonials and further information. We operate a waiting list at times of high demand.



Smeeth Fun-Club Discovery Trail

Saturday September 23rd

9.30am – 1.30pm Smeeth Churchyard
(in Church if wet)

For children up to 11yrs, accompanied
by an adult

Free entry – donations for refreshments

To book a place email:

sianchall@btinternet.com with choice of
time: 9.30-10.30, 10.30-11.30, 11.30-
12.30 or 12.30-1.30



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**Softball cricket
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school years 3-7**

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siblings or for
signing up
with a friend



CRICKET COACHING FOR GIRLS

Unleash your daughter's potential!



An exciting opportunity for girls in school years 3-7 to hone their cricket skills throughout the Winter.

Our dedicated team of ECB trained coaches will provide the girls with the skills and knowledge to be the best players they can be. The indoor sessions will be fun and tailored to meet the needs of all the players. These sessions are also suitable for girls looking to make the transition to hardball cricket ready for next season.

Whether your daughter is new to cricket or looking to build on existing skills, all enquiries are warmly welcomed.



Three Hills Sports Park

Cheriton Road, Folkestone, CT19 5JU

Dates and time (all Sundays) 11am-12pm

15/10, 22/10, 29/10, 12/11, 19/11,
26/11, 3/12 and 10/12

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