



Respect, Responsibility, Hope, Courage

Brabourne

CofE Primary School

20th October 2023

Harvest

Thank you to all of our families for your generous Harvest donations. Bright City Church, Ashford, were delighted with the donations, particularly due to the ever growing numbers of vulnerable people needing their help. We hope you all enjoyed the service and the children's joyful singing!



Eco Club

The Eco Team and Gardening Club are well underway with their plans for this year. Plans include creating a wild flower meadow on the field and a water feature for the school garden. A reminder to bring any empty handwash bottles every Friday at pick up, when members of the Eco Team will be selling organic hand wash refills at 50p per 100ml. Proceeds will be used for future Eco projects.



Esafty

Every week we will be providing parents/ carers with resources to help support the promotion of Esafty at home. I would urge all parents/carers to review their filtering on home systems and ensure children are monitored in their internet use. Below is a link from the Uk Safer Internet Centre which you may find useful. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to come and see us.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>



Gardening Club

We kindly request donations of small pine cones, felt, ribbon, raffia and hessian for our next project. Any donations will be most gratefully received. Thank you, Gardening Club.





Collective Worship:

In Collective Worship the children have been learning about Black History Month and the importance of valuing everyone.

Prayer of the week:

Dear Lord

Thank you for our wonderful world and for all our individuality. Let us celebrate all of our skills and talents and remember that each of us is unique and special.

Amen

A message from The School Immunisation Team

The School Immunisation Team would like to invite parents to book an appointment at one of their Community Clinics if your child recently missed their Childhood Flu Immunisation on their visit to school.

Parents can book an appointment via their website on the link below:

<https://www.kentcht.nhs.uk/service/immunisation-team/>

This link also provides other useful information regarding vaccinations and the School Aged Immunisation Service.

If your child was vaccinated on their recent visit, you are invited to complete the following surveys

<https://www.oc-meridian.com/KCHT/survey/ParentGuardianCarerExperienceSurvey> or

<https://www.oc-meridian.com/KCHT/survey/ChildrensExperienceSurveyAges4to10> ”



We have a number of boxes/leaflets in the school office if you would like to take part in the Samaritan's Purse, Christmas Child shoebox appeal. You are most welcome to collect these from the office and to drop them in once you have filled your box. They will be picked up between 13th—20th November.

Website: www.brabourne.kent.sch.uk

Twitter: [@brabournecep](https://twitter.com/brabournecep)



Term 2 clubs:

The club list is attached to the newsletter email. Please sign up for clubs, as usual, using the booking form (the link for this can also be found on the newsletter email). Payment (unless otherwise stated) should be made via SchoolMoney. Creepy Claws club is now full, however there are still a few places available on the Science Club (please book via Mr Poleykett's link). We are pleased to be able to offer Outdoor Learning (Years 3, 4 5 & 6) again for free for Term 2. Please complete the sign up form for Outdoor Learning and Christmas Craft club, even though no payment is required, so that we know how many children will be attending.

Playground items

Thank you to everyone who has already kindly donated items from the extensive list, we would be most grateful for any further donations:

Old pushchairs, tarps, barrels, brooms, wood chunks, sand paper, hand drills, wooden circles, spanners, screw drivers, ropes, road barriers, saucepans and frying pans. Utensils (wooden spoons, potato mashers, labels etc), old bicycles, suitcases, dressing up clothes (to fit all ages). Flower pots/containers of all sizes, compost, seeds, chairs with removable legs, pallets, logs, frisbees, plastic milk crates, giant cotton reel holders, skipping ropes, scooters, helmets, herbs, small world (dinosaurs/animals), mud kitchen, sand pit.

Wrap Around


May we remind you that places must be booked and paid for in advance for both Early Morning Club and Wrap Around. **To ensure we always have appropriate staffing levels, we cannot accept bookings on the day.**

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

Please collect your children promptly at the end of the session. Late pick ups may be charged.

Dates for your diary:

Monday 30th October	Term 2 starts
Thursday 16th November 5 - 7 pm	Open Evening for prospective parents 2024
Saturday 2nd December	PTA Christmas Fair
Tuesday 12th December	Infant Nativity
Tuesday 12th December	Jupiter Concert
Wednesday 13th December 9.00 am	Church Service Christmas Lunch for children
Friday 15th December	End of Term 2



We will be having an exciting STEM week next term. Please see Mrs Green's letter on the next page.

May I wish you all an enjoyable break and we look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday 30th October.

With best wishes,

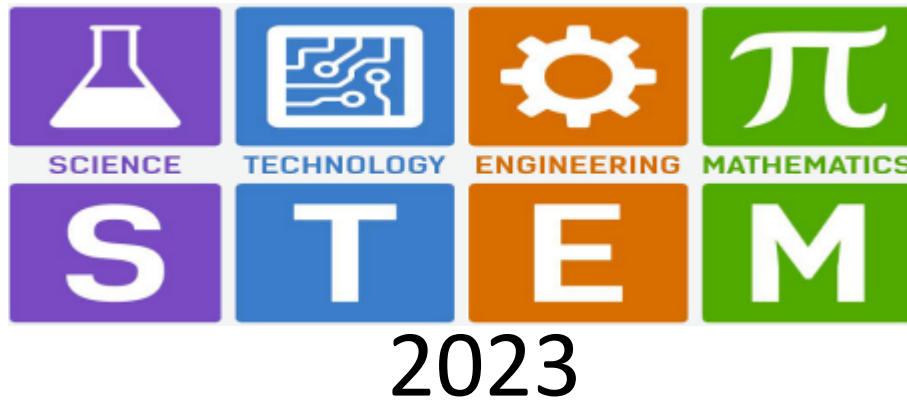
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Brabourne C of E Primary School



20th November-24th November 2023 will be a week of Science and engineering for all our pupils. This will be a fun packed week with lots of opportunities for practical Science which we know our children will love!

We very much appreciate the support of our families and we have a few requests in the weeks leading up to this event.

We would love to have a couple of Scientists or Engineers visit us during this week to talk about their jobs and inspire our children. Could this be you? Or do you know anyone who might ne willing to pop in at some point over that week and inspire us?

Please could as many children as possible bring a bag of junk modelling in in the week before so we can use these as our building materials (empty cardboard boxes, tubes, clean plastic pots would all be great!)

Thank you in advance!



We warmly invite all our families to take part in a STEM challenge before our STEM week so that we can share and celebrate what they have achieved together in school.

There are many fun and exciting STEM challenges. You can find some in the link below:

<https://www.sciencebuddies.org/stem-activities>

But there are so many more ideas which you can find through an internet search engine—there really is something for everyone!

Most of all we want the whole family to enjoy Science together! So pick something that you will all love! Once you have finished either bring your project into school, or send us a photo and we will celebrate Science together! Please have all contributions in by Friday, 17th November 2023.

Many Thanks for your continued support

Kind Regards

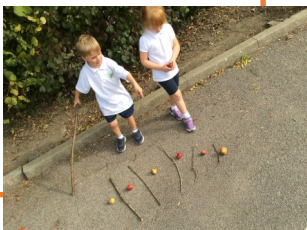
Mrs Sam Green

Neptune Class Teacher and Science Lead

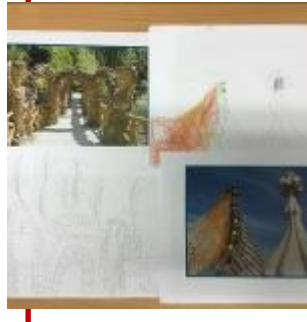
Class News



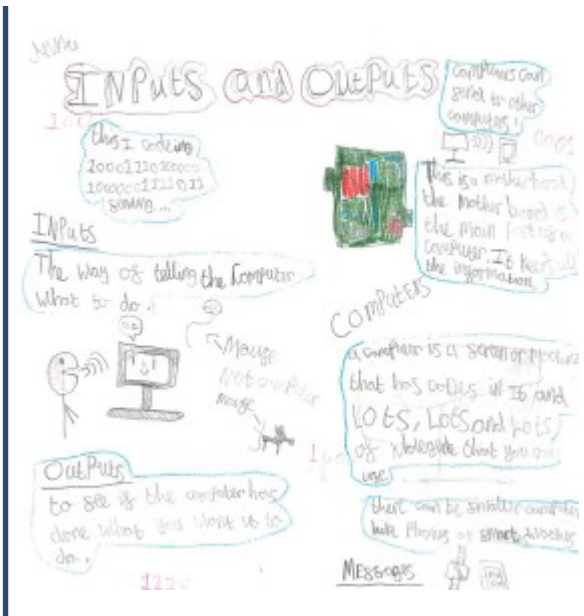
Venus class have enjoyed exploring repeating patterns in the outside area. They were able to explain their pattern and spot any mistakes. The children were very proud of their efforts!



Mars class have been using observational drawing skills to recreate the style of Gaudi. In RE they have created thoughtful Gaudi inspired hearts with messages how we can make the world a better place.



Neptune class have been learning about input and outputs in Computing. We created posters to show what we have learnt.



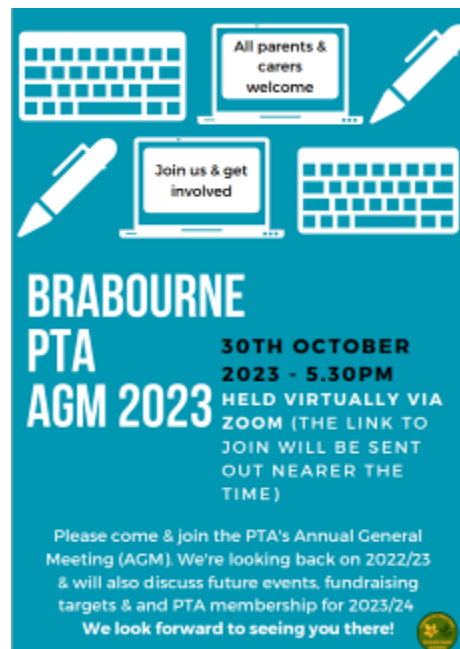
Jupiter Class have needed their wellington boots this week! We started the week going on a walk to the pond and back looking for flora and fauna as part of our Science topic on Classification. We then used our findings to create a Field Guide for our school environment; listing the animals and plants we found. We also had Outdoor Learning today, where we created dens and played a game of 'capture the flag.'



PTA News

A big thank you to all parents and families that have been sending silver change in for the coin challenge and to the children who showed so much commitment to winning the challenge. We are pleased to say the total amount raised was £316.86 (minus the expenses for the food we are providing). Neptune class have won the challenge, raising an impressive £128.95 as a class and will be enjoying a film afternoon with food and drink - thanks again to everyone who kept bringing their coins in!

A reminder that the PTA Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place on Monday, 30th October at 5.30pm via Zoom (the link will be shared on the day). All parents are invited and encouraged to join and get involved.



The **Christmas Fair** will take place on **Saturday, 2nd December** (save the date!!). We are hoping to run our online raffle once again and if any of you know of people or companies who would be willing to donate a prize for our raffle, we would be most grateful. If you think you can help, just find one of us at the gate or

email us: brabournecepspta@gmail.com.

We will also need many helping hands on the day and will be grateful for any offers of help received.

Thank you!



Brabourne School Winter Recipe Book

This year the PTA thought it would be a nice idea to compile a Brabourne School Winter Recipe Book to sell and raise funds for our lovely children and school! It would be great if as many families and staff as possible could send in a recipe to make the book a really special keepsake for Christmas for the children.

Please write out your recipe as simply as possible with a recipe name, list of ingredients and method. Be sure to include your family name and if possible a photo of the dish, bake or treat with or without your family in the photo! We would love to include a couple of sentences about why the recipe is a favourite or special to you and your family, where it's from or when you enjoy it and if you have links to other countries or cultures a special recipe from around the world would be a lovely addition.

The recipes and pictures should be sent by email to the PTA email address. Please send them by the end of the first week back (Friday 3rd November): brabournecepspta@gmail.com

Thank you all. We look forward to seeing and trying the recipes!



PTA Winter Recipe Book 2023

Dear Brabourne parents & families,

The PTA is putting together a recipe book that will be available to buy in time for Christmas. This will be a lovely keepsake for families and make a wonderful present for relatives & friends.

What do we need from you?

Your very best recipe(s) that you would like featured in the book!

We will need:

- + your recipe with a list of ingredients and simple instructions**
- + (a) picture(s) of the dish with or without your family in it**
- + a couple of sentences why this recipe is special to your family**

Deadline for recipe submission is 3rd Nov 2023.

**Please email your recipes to:
brabournecepspta@gmail.com**

Admission to Secondary school in Kent 2024

Apply online at
[kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions](https://www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions)

Opens Friday 1 September 2023 and closes at
midnight on Tuesday 31 October 2023

For children born between
1 September 2012
and 31 August 2013,
Transferring to Secondary
school in September 2024

What to do

Choose a school

It's important to find out more about the schools you are interested in before you decide to name them on the application form.

Read the Guide to Secondary admissions at www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions.

You can name up to four Secondary schools, inside or outside of Kent, but you must name them all on the same application.

Apply for a school place

A simple, fast, convenient process which opens **Friday 1 September 2023** and closes at midnight on **Tuesday 31 October 2023**.

If you already have an account set up from the Kent Test process, please use these login details.

You will receive an email confirmation that your application has been submitted correctly and that the LA has received it.

You can log back in at any time to view the information submitted.

Receiving your offer

On offer day (**Friday 1 March 2024**) an email will be sent after **4pm** informing you of your offer.

You must accept or decline the school place you have been offered by **Friday 15 March 2024**.

If we have not offered your child a place in your preferred school, you have the right to appeal. You can also add their name to the school's waiting list if your child is eligible for admission.

Moving house during the application window will likely complicate your application and we therefore advise you to pay special attention to key dates in the admissions process. KCC has no discretionary authority to vary the process for parents who cannot complete address moves in time to make use of them for admissions purposes. If you have queries relating to this, please email the team on one of the email addresses below.

Key dates

Friday 1 September 2023	Online application process opens. Go to www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions to register and apply.
Tuesday 31 October 2023	Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk
Friday 1 March 2024	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm .
Friday 15 March 2024	Parents should contact the school to accept/refuse the place that has been offered and can use the link in the offer email to ask for their child to be added to the waiting list of eligible schools named on the original application.
Thursday 28 March 2024	Appeals need to be lodged by this date to be heard before September - appeals information can be found at www.kent.gov.uk/schoolappeals . You can only appeal for schools that were named on the application form.

Need help?

Email kent.admissions@kent.gov.uk or kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk

Full information booklet can also be viewed online at [kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions](https://www.kent.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions)

Only one application per pupil will be accepted. If you apply online, do not complete any other form of application. Keep your login details safe and use your registered email address for all communication with the team.

The confirmation email may go to your junk/spam folder of your email - please check here before contacting our team for confirmation.



Pumpkin Carving Competition



Prizes to be won!

1st to 3rd place

All pumpkins must be taken straight to the hall ready for judging. Pumpkins must be collected and taken home at the end of the school day.



All profits will be donated to
Pilgrims Hospice - As chosen by Yr6
House captains

Competition to be
held at school on
Tuesday 31st
October

£2 entry per pumpkin

A promotional poster for 'Santas on the Run!' featuring a large group of people in Santa suits running. The poster includes the event title, date, location, and distance options (3k, 5k, 10k). It also mentions that a Santa suit is included with all advanced entries and is proudly supported by WAHL.

SANTAS ON THE RUN!

Sunday 10 December 2023

Santa suit included with all advanced entries!

NEW

3k 5k 10k

Herne Bay Clocktower, CT6 5JQ

Proudly supported by **WAHL®**

Celebrate the ho, ho, holiday season at Pilgrims Hospices' festive family fun run, and walk, jog or run your chosen distance to support a good Claus.

Festive family fun run so it's suitable for all ages and abilities. You can either run, walk or even be pushed along on wheels, it's the taking part that counts! It's a really fun way to kick start the festive season as a family and the support enables us to care for our patients and their families over Christmas. Each and every Santa who puts their festive foot first makes a real difference to the care we are able to provide.

Here's a little bit more detail:

Everyone who registers in advance will receive a **5-piece Santa suit, including jacket, trousers, hat, belt, and beard** as part of their entry fee.

We have a special **Early bird entry** which **closes on 22/10/23** where registration fees are:

Adults: £12

Under 18's: £8

Family ticket £35 (includes 2 adults & 2 under 18s)

Under 3s are free no matter when you sign up

For more information and to register please visit:

<https://www.pilgrimshospices.org/event/santas-on-the-run-2023/>

Smeeth Play Club

Based at Smeeth Primary School



****JOB OPPORTUNITY****

We are looking to recruit the following staff:

1 Play Worker: Monday – Friday (5 nights)

to join the fantastic team at the After School Club.

Working hours are: 3pm till 6pm – during term time only.

Holiday club work also available at certain times of the year at settings run under the Kent Play Clubs umbrella.

**Staff child places are heavily subsidised,
Training will be provided to candidates who do not hold childcare qualifications,
Good rates of pay and job share will be considered.**

If you are a caring, enthusiastic, and responsible adult and would like to apply for the above position, please contact:

Kent Play Clubs for an application pack at:
recruitmentandtraining@kentplayclubs.org.uk

or call 01233 713813

(all applicants subject to an Enhanced DBS check –arranged by Kent Play clubs)



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