



Respect, Responsibility, Hope, Courage

# Brabourne

CofE Primary School

1st March 2024

## Parents evening & reports

We hope you found the interim reports useful from last term to track your child's progress. There will also be two Parent Consultation Evenings that you are able to sign up to on **Wednesday 20th** and **Tuesday 26th March**. These will be from 3.30 pm - 7.30 pm. Booking for these will be made via Teachers2Parents and further information will be sent home shortly.



## Climbing wall

Following on from the success in last year's tournament, our Year 5/6 climbing wall team have triumphed through to the finals in this year's competition! We wish them every success for the finals on the 18th March.



## Class Attendance:

Congratulations to Venus Class who gained 98.5 % attendance last term. I will be awarding a trophy to the class with the best attendance at the end of the academic year.

## Plans

Thank you to the parents who attended our curriculum workshop last term. Details of coverage in each subject can be found on the links below for your child's class:

[Venus](#) Key Question: Do all animals change?

[Mars](#) Key Question: How has the seaside changed over time?

[Neptune](#) Key Question: How do rivers and mountains impact on their surrounding environments?

[Jupiter](#) Key Question: How do natural disasters impact on humans and animals?

## World Book Day

Next Thursday (7th March) we will be celebrating World Book Day. The children are invited to dress up as their favourite book character and, on this day, classes will be completing a range of activities based on their favourite authors and books.



### Prayer of the week:

Dear Lord

Thank you for our school values. Please give us the courage to stand up and support others and fight injustice.

Amen

### Citizenship Day:

We were delighted to welcome Kent University lecturers to our school last week, to showcase some of the wonderful citizenship that takes place at Brabourne. The university were greatly impressed with the kindness, generosity, and commitment of Brabourne pupils to make a difference to the world around them.

### Parent survey

Next week, we will be sending out a parent survey. These surveys are incredibly useful to us as a school and we review all of these at our annual vision day. Please hand your completed surveys to the school office next week.



For the last two weeks, the children have thoroughly enjoyed their time with Tom, from Sports Giants, as part of Geography Fieldwork theme week. The children have been taking part in orienteering, learning about ordnance survey maps, using compasses to navigate our school grounds and create large aerial depictions of our local area. Next week, we look forward to a workshop visitor teaching the children about the water cycle.



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](#).

**COLLECTION FROM WRAP AROUND: Would you kindly collect your child(ren):**

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

### Dates for your diary:

Thursday 7th March	World Book Day
Wednesday 27th March	Church Service
Thursday 28th March	End of Term 4
Friday 29th March	Good Friday - School closed

With best wishes,  
Andrew Stapley  
Headteacher

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## PTA News

### PJs & Popcorn

Thank you to all children who came to our 'PJs and Popcorn' film event before February half term! It was really lovely to see so many children excited about this and we hope everyone had a great time (despite the last minute change of film due to technical issues). We are pleased to say that the event raised £340, which will go towards the monkey bar fundraising. A big 'Thank You' to all volunteers who helped us on the day too, it was encouraging to see so many of you. And last but not least a shout out and big thanks from the PTA to Ms Unsworth and Mrs Vasu for giving up their Friday afternoon to stay and supervise (and watch the Minions film for the hundredth time) and to Miss Brown for helping us release the children!



### Future Events

We have a number of events scheduled for this term, please see dates below. These include Mother's Day gifts / craft and an Easter Egg hunt for the children. We have also been looking ahead to the warmer weather (hopefully) setting in soon and are hoping that lots of the Brabourne families will join us for a sponsored walk / exercise event starting in March and running over Easter. A reminder that all the money we currently raise will go towards the purchase & build of monkey bars in the playground, which the children are wildly excited about. We are also planning to purchase some new iPads for the school, as some of the school's current iPads are starting to show their age a little.

- Friday 8th March:** Mother's Day gifts / craft - details to follow on Monday  
**Friday 22nd March:** Easter Cake Sale after school - cake donations will be gratefully received, thank you :)  
**Saturday 23rd March:** Community walk to kick start our sponsored walk - details to follow soon  
**Thursday 28th March:** PTA Easter egg hunt in school for the children

As always, thank you for your support from us, the PTA!

### Ground Force Thank you

As ever, a massive thank you to many of our school families, who worked tirelessly during half term to enrich the infant outdoor learning area. Some photos of their spectacular results are below:



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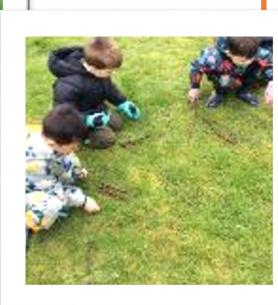


# Class News

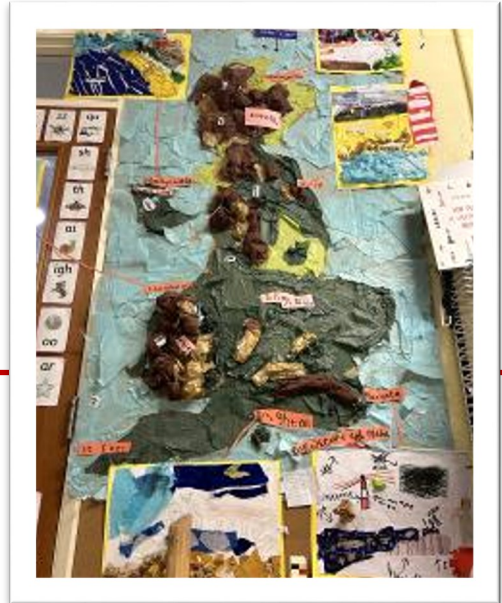


Venus Class have been loving their outdoor learning sessions with Ellen. This week we gave clues to our partner to help them find a cone we had hidden.

We then collected 5 sticks each and ordered them from longest to shortest and fattest to thinnest. Finally, we used the sticks and our imagination to create our favourite animals. Great work!



Mars have been studying seaside localities, finding them on a map and looking at their physical and human features.



Neptune class have been busy in Science this week. We conducted an experiment to see which fizzy drinks were the fizziest. We had to weigh them when they were fizzy and when they were flat, then calculate the difference. We were surprised to find that some gasses had a weight.



Last week we welcomed the tree council to school. We learned lots on interesting facts about trees. Did you know that 1 Oak tree can be home to over 1500 species of animal?



Over the last two weeks, Jupiter have been focusing on our economic well-being by taking part in our Junior Apprentice in PSHE. We have been working in teams to create a new product, including: carrying out market research, product design, advertising and writing a pitch that we will be presenting to Mr Stapley (AKA Lord Alan Sugar). The winning design will be turned into the actual product with the potential to be sold in our school community.



A young girl with curly hair, wearing an orange t-shirt and red and blue wristbands, is holding a red and white tennis racket. She is looking towards the camera with a slight smile. The background is a blurred outdoor tennis court.

# HOLIDAY TENNIS COACHING CAMPS

Easter Holiday camps are back at Sellindge Tennis Club!!  
Our qualified LTA team will lead your child through a fun week  
of learning and playing tennis.

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£7.50 per hour  
07545 871087

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# **Kingsnorth After School Club**

## **EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB**

Spring

**MONDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> – FRIDAY 12<sup>TH</sup>**  
**APRIL 2024**



Open every day from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

£25.00 per day or £15.00 per ½ day  
(Limited spaces available – Book early to avoid disappointment)

Enrolment forms available from  
Senior Club Co-ordinator at the After School Club –

Via e-mail [kingsnorth@kentplayclubs.org.uk](mailto:kingsnorth@kentplayclubs.org.uk)

**07749 280043**

**BOOKINGS ACCEPTED UNTIL FRI 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH**  
**PAYMENT MUST BE MADE IN ADVANCE AT TIME OF**  
**BOOKING**

**Childcare Vouchers and Tax Free Childcare Payments Accepted**



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# Downs View and Kennington After School Club

## HOLIDAY CLUB



## THE GREAT EASTER BAKE OFF

**TUESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> – FRIDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2024**

Open every day from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

£25.00 per day or £15.00 per ½ day  
(Limited spaces available – Book early to avoid disappointment)

Enrolment forms available Via e-mail –

[Downsview@kentplayclubs.org.uk](mailto:Downsview@kentplayclubs.org.uk)

or

07724 198112

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