



Respect, Responsibility, Hope, Courage

# Brabourne

CofE Primary School

21st November 2025

## Remembrance

Thank you to everyone for your generous donations towards Remembrance Day. The money has been collected by the Royal British Legion, who were incredibly grateful for your support.

As part of our day, we paused for a two minute silence and our older children wrote some thoughtful messages of hope and peace on giant poppies to display in the garden. Thank you to Mrs Ginny Taylor for organising the poppies, which were donated by Bliby Plastics, Mersham, whom we would also like to thank.



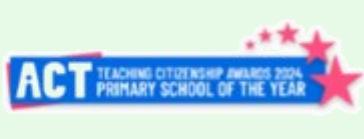
## Guinea Pigs

This week we welcomed our two new furry friends Basil and Charlie, our new guinea pigs, who at the moment are keeping warm in their hutch. But come the Spring, you will be able to see them playing in their outdoor guinea pig sanctuary!



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 28th November		Non-uniform day for a bottle of something nice for the bottle tombola
<b>SATURDAY 29TH NOVEMBER</b>	<b>12.00 pm—3.00 pm</b>	<b>The PTA's wonderful Christmas Fair. Please remember to invite family and friends along!</b>
*Tuesday 2nd December	7.00 pm	Wreath making workshops (*please note change of date).
Saturday 6th December	10.00 am	Payment can be made via SchoolMoney in the 'Shop'.
Friday 12th December	1.45 pm—2.45 pm	Venus Class Christmas Crafts
Tuesday 16th December	1.45 pm	Venus & Mars Class—Nativity
Wednesday 17th December	9.00 am Lunchtime	Church Service Caterlink's Christmas Dinner
Thursday 18th December	6.30 pm	Jupiter's Christmas Production
Friday 19th December		End of Term



# Thank you



A big thank you to Mr O'Connor who sent in a box of hand warmers for staff to use whilst out on the playground. Such a thoughtful gesture and very much appreciated.

## Eco Team Poster Competition

Over the next few weeks, the Eco Team will be holding an eco awareness poster competition. It is open to all pupils and the aim is to create a winning poster that we can display around the school. There will be prizes for each class and the deadline for entering is 5th December. Good luck from the Eco Team!

## Football

It has been a great week of football for both our Year 1/2 and Year 5/6 teams against Stowting and Challock. Great skill all around! Despite the weather, we look forward to some more friendly matches in the next few weeks.



Dear Headteacher,

*On behalf of Bright City Church and our food project volunteers I would like to express our sincere thanks for the wonderful donations of food that you enabled your children and their families to contribute to the project. Each year at Harvest Festival time we always experience such a welcome boost to our stocks of food.*

*Without the generous giving from members of the community like yourselves we simply wouldn't be able to provide the much needed assistance to families and individuals experiencing hardship at this time.*

*Please do pass on our thanks to the children and staff. Wishing you all a blessed winter and Christmas term,*

*Kind regards*

*Ian Fowkes, Senior Pastor, Bright City Church*

## Charity Fun Run Wednesday 26th November

For a donation of £1.00, for Children in Need, the children will complete some challenging laps of the field.

Thank you for your support!



# Community Afternoon Tea

It was a wonderful afternoon yesterday, welcoming members of our community to enjoy afternoon tea served by the children. A massive thank you to our helpers Ginny, Lucie and Jane who helped put the whole event together and provided so many delicious treats. Please click [here](#).



## 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](#).

**COLLECTION FROM WRAP AROUND:** Please collect your children promptly at the end of the session. Late pick ups may be charged.

## Prayer of the week

Dear God

Thank you for giving us the freedom to choose to do the right thing. Let us remember to step up, step out and speak up for injustice in the world.

Amen

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our Christmas Fair on Saturday 29th, which as always is a perfect way to get into the festive spirit!

With best wishes,  
Andrew Stapley  
Headteacher



# Class News

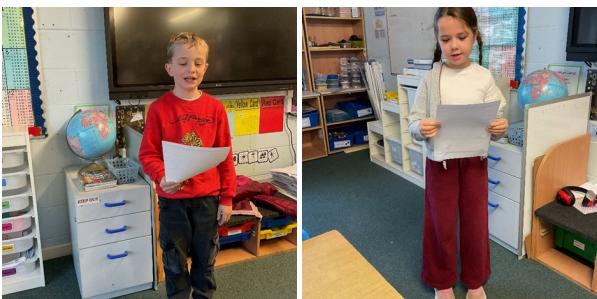


Venus class have been getting into role again, inspired by 'The Enormous Turnip' story. The children demonstrated excellent teamwork and showed a great understanding of the story's sequence.

Click here to see more: <https://youtu.be/cMIDPwnC2hk>



Neptune Class have been showing courageous advocacy by practising our debating skills. While debating the Battle of the Somme and the value of teaching languages in school, we carefully structured arguments, listened respectfully and attentively to each other and asked and answered questions. Children on all sides spoke very well and offered considered and informed opinions, and we enjoyed the chance to express ourselves and disagree respectfully.



Mars Class got into the spirit of Children in need on Friday. We thought about why children might need help and how important it was to do our best to help if we can. We also enjoyed dancing to the 2009 Children in need compilation!



The theme this year is 'challenge yourself'.

Mrs Green said that if we set ourselves a hard challenge... and achieved it, that she would donate £1 to children in need. Challenges ranged from beautiful stories to writing numbers to 100. One pupil (Kiera) even counted in groups of 12 to over 500! Two year one pupils wrote numbers up to 100 - something they had never done before! At the final count 18 children had gone above and beyond - so that's £18 raised for Children in Need - Well done Mars Class!



This week, Jupiter have finished their Maya masks! We used our designs to paint our mod-roc masks so that they represent either: a battle mask, a death mask or a mask for an important event. The bigger the mask, the more important the person wearing it was. Can you work out which type of mask we have made?





# BRABOURNE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAIR

**SATURDAY**

**29<sup>TH</sup>  
NOVEMBER  
2025**

**12 - 3PM**

**FREE  
ENTRY**

**BRING  
FAMILY &  
FRIENDS**

**FOOD & GIFT STALLS**

**GAMES & TOMBOLA**

**SANTA'S GROTTO**

**CRAFTS & FACE PAINTING**

**BRUSH A DONKEY**

**RAFFLE**

**...& LOTS MORE - COME  
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# Slime Workshop Christmas Special

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## Smeeth Fun-Club Lego Morning

Saturday November 22<sup>nd</sup>

9.30am – 12.30pm Smeeth Church Oak  
Room

For children up to 11 yrs, accompanied by an  
adult

Free entry – donations for refreshments

To book a place email: [sianchall@btinternet.com](mailto:sianchall@btinternet.com)  
with choice of time: 9.30-10.30, 10.30-11.30,  
11.30-12.30

