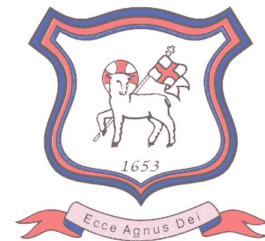


Bretherton Endowed CE Primary School Newsletter

7th February 2020



INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Reading with your child

This week we held the Year 2 SAT's meeting for parents to outline the format of the statutory assessments and how parents can help their children prepare. One of the key factors is developing a love of reading and reading consistently for fluency, accuracy and understanding. This doesn't just happen in Year 2 but in all classes. We have many supporting parents guides for reading at home, so if you feel that you would like to know more, please let school or your child's class teacher know and we would be more than happy to share them with you.

Safer Internet Day 2020

In the week commencing 10th February children in school will be focusing on how to keep them safer online but I thought you may also like to take the opportunity to discuss a 'Behaviour online' charter with your children that matches your family's needs.

The UK Safer Internet Centre has launched resources ahead of Safer Internet Day 2020 on 11 February 2020. The theme for the day is "Together for a better internet". Resources for teachers include packs to be used with different age groups and guidance for educators as well as resource packs for parents and carers

Here is the link: <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2020>

Keeping Children Safe Online

With the ever growing number of children now having access to online streaming via a mobile phone or Xbox, this website by CEOP may be of use to share with parents and carers into the New Year to advise about the opportunities and risks presented by the online world and encouraging open and confident discussions with their children. Some examples are:

Having a conversation with your child

Online grooming: how does it work?

Keeping your under 5s safe online

Sharing pictures of your children

Gaming: what parents and carers need to know

Here is the link: [https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/?](https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/?utm_source=Thinkuknow&utm_campaign=753cc8d7e1-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_TUK_NOVEMBER_GLOBAL&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_0b54505554-753cc8d7e1-55282233)

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There is also some useful information on **Parent and Carer Online Toolkit (Childnet)**

The new non-statutory guidance published in the summer, Teaching Online Safety (2019, DfE), recommends that schools 'Proactively engage staff, pupils and parents/carers in school activities that promote the agreed principles of online safety' (see paragraph 42)

The Parent and Carer Toolkit can be found here: <https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers/parent-and-carer-toolkit>

PTFA Update

The PTFA hosted a lovely evening for adults where South Ribble Concert Band performed before a beautiful Burns Evening supper. Thank you for those who supported it and to Tasha and Naomi for brilliant preparation, food and service on the night. It was a shame we didn't have the community involvement we anticipated but a great night and a good try out for other future events.

The next meeting is on Thursday 27th February 2020 at 7.00pm in School where they will be discussing Mother's Day Afternoon Tea, Easter Bingo and any future spending

We hope that you can join us.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please park carefully when dropping off or collecting your children as we want to ensure that we keep everyone safe. The school gates will be closed most times just before and just after school and will then be available for parents who use The HUB.

We have recently had a parking attendant visit at the start of the school day and they said that they will be visiting again. Please can I remind you to park sensibly and safely.

TWITTER for school

For those of you on Twitter, to keep you right up to date with the great learning and sporting opportunities we have our twitter feed @BrethertonEP



**Remember our door is always open— contact us on bursar@bretherton.lancs.sch.uk
or 01772 600431 to arrange a chat**

FURTHER INFORMATION

THEME OF WORSHIP — *Respect*

In all things you yourself must be an example of good behaviour. Be sincere and serious in your teaching (Titus 2:7)

Special Educational Need Provision at Bretherton

At Bretherton, we pride ourselves in personalising the curriculum to ensure all children succeed. Quality First Teaching means that children's needs are differentiated for and the teachers are skilled in ensuring every child learns and progresses well. Sometimes, children may need a little more than differentiated learning in order to access learning fully and when this happens, we refer to it as having a special educational need (SEND). This may also apply if your child has a disability that school needs to significantly take into account when determining provision. This may be as a result of a diagnosis or it may be because we don't feel the child is progressing in the same way as their peers, despite this personalised approach. If your child is identified as having an additional need, we usually set small step goals and add extra support or planning into their provision. These goals are shared with children so they can continue to take responsibility and work independently and we meet with you to share them and work together in partnership. These documents are often referred to as Personal Development Plans. These are changed according to the successes of the child but are reviewed with parents at least once a term. This gives families and staff a chance to share good practice and to refine future support.

It is vital that we get this right and this partnership is very important to us. So I will be sending home next week a **SEND questionnaire for parents** whose child has a Personal Development Plan to assess our strengths but also gives you a chance to let us know any aspects we can develop further. As the Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator for school, my door is always open so if there is anything you would rather discuss in person, please let me know. If I could ask that the forms are returned **by 14/2/20**

Can you help?

If we could ask you to have a look at home for any buttons as Class 1 would like to collect some for counting and sorting in Maths. Please pass any you can spare to the school office in a bag or envelope. Thanks.

Keeping safe in cars

Lancashire Fire and Rescue came in this week to speak to Class 4. They were promoting being safe and seen near roads and recommended <https://lancsroadsafety.co.uk/seatbelt-week/> to ensure all children were travelling safely in cars. Please have a look with your child so they all understand the need for road safety and being safe inside a car.

After School Dance Club

We are fortunate to have a professional dancer agree to lead an after school dance class for children after half term. Louise Ross trained at Merseyside Dance and Drama centre in Liverpool, graduating with a professional dance diploma along with Associate teaching qualifications with the I.S.T.D in Ballet, Modern, National and Disco, and went on to dance professionally for over 10 years all over the world on cruise ships, hotels, casinos, summer seasons, commercial as well as extra work on Hollyoaks. She is very passionate about spreading the love of dance to children and seeing their confidence, talent and love for the art grow. The club will be open for Year 3,4,5,6 initially and we are hoping that we may be able to offer a KS1 club in the future. The club will run on Monday after school 3.15—4.15, for 5 weeks at a cost of £3.50 per week so total cost of £17.50 for the whole session. This has been subsidised through our commitment to obtaining the Arts Mark.

Teaching in Class 4

After half term, there will be a slight change in teaching commitment in class 4. On Friday's Mrs Moxham will be teaching year 6 all day, with Mrs Smith continuing to teach Monday—Thursday. This will not affect the quality of teaching and learning in Year 6 and we will work closely together to ensure good transition at the end of the week. However, it will mean that I may not be available during the day to contact or meet with parents or professionals unless urgent. I am excited to start and know as the children are already used to me being in class on Friday afternoon already, they won't really notice a change.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Attendance

The Government requires a schools to promote a high level of attendance. Regular school attendance is very important so that children are given as much opportunity as possible to develop academically and socially. When children are absent from school they often find it difficult to catch up on the work they have missed and can feel unsettled by this. Parents of children whose attendance is below 90% (Pupils whose attendance falls below 90% are classed as being '*Persistently Absent*' for the purpose of attendance reporting) will receive a letter to outline this and ask for your help in improving this for the remaining two terms of the year. We do appreciate that many of the absences this year so far may have been due to unavoidable circumstances, such as sickness or appointments. However, I am certain that we can all work together to raise attendance.

Values

We have been made aware of a great resource for children to reflect on our Values and how to display them in their daily lives. Treasure Champs on CBeebies is a great resource to teach children about how to show values in the words and actions—some of you may have already heard of them.

Handwriting workshop

Thank you to everyone who attended the workshop for parents looking at handwriting—How We Teach, How We Do and Why We Teach it this way. I hope the later time was useful to you. If you were unable to attend, please don't worry as Mrs Clarke has added it to the website under curriculum—English Handwriting. <http://www.brethertonschool.org.uk/page/english-handwriting/36827> There are many resources that you can use. One that parents can use at home is 'Donna Young Handwriting' as the site produces sheets for practice.

Swimming

Just a reminder that Class 2 swimming has finished this year and assessments have been completed. I would like to thank the children for their enthusiasm and skills each week. In September next year, current year 1 and current year 2 will swim and letters will be sent out at the end of the year to confirm this.

Sponsorship letter

Last year we held a very successful sponsorship event where we raised over £1300 for new books within school. A letter will go out today regarding our Spring sponsorship event and I can't wait to see the children building up their steps to 'run a marathon'. All children will take part, irrespective of sponsorship monies, however if you can support this in any way, it will make a huge difference to school.

School Disco

Next Thursday will be our PTFA School Disco. It would be lovely to see everyone there. Our great Year 6 DJ's will be 'manning the decks' and organising the games. 6.00-6.45 Key stage 1 (inc year 3 if want) 7.00-8.00 KS2 (year 3 if would rather). Pay on the door with refreshments and novelty items to purchase on the night.

School end of half term

School will end for half term on Friday 14th February at 3.15pm. Please can I remind you for all children to have their PE kits in school for the Monday we return, water bottles and warm/waterproof coats please. We hope that you have a lovely break.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION & DATES FOR DIARY/CLUB INFORMATION

DATES FOR DIARY— END of 1st & 2nd HALF SPRING TERM 2020

FEBRUARY 2020

Thursday 13th	PTFA Disco Infants 6-6.45pm, Juniors 7-8pm, £2 pay on the door
Friday 14th	School closes normal time 3.15pm
Monday 24th	School reopens
Thursday 27th	PTFA Meeting 7.00pm in School

MARCH 2020

Tuesday 3rd	KS1 SATs Meeting
Wednesday 4th	Tarleton Arts Festival (Choir)
Thursday 5th	World Book Day (NOT non-uniform)
Tuesday 10th	KS2 SATs Meeting
Monday 16th	PTFA Meeting 7.00pm in School
Thursday 19th	Mothers' Day Assembly led by Ethos 9.00am
Friday 20th	Mothers' Day Afternoon Tea (NO Celebration Assembly)
Tuesday 24th	Parents Evening 5.00-7.30pm
Thursday 26th	Parents Evening 3.30-5.30pm
Friday 27th	PTFA Non Uniform Day for Easter Bingo

APRIL 2020

Thursday 2nd	PTFA Easter Bingo
Friday 3rd	Egg Rolling & Bonnet Competition
	Easter Service in Church 2.15pm
	School Closes normal time 3.15pm

CLUBS – 1st HALF SPRING TERM 2020

NAME OF CLUB	YEAR GROUP	DAY	TIME	DATES
Games Club	Years 1/2/3	Mondays	3.15-4.15pm	13/1-10/2/20 (5 weeks)
Brass Band Club (Ongoing)	Class 3 + Private Tuition Pupils	Tuesdays	3.15-4.15pm	14/1-11/2/20 (5 weeks)
S7 Olympics Club	Whole School	Wednesdays	3.15-4.15pm	15/1-12/2/20 (5 weeks)
Sewing Club	Year 6	Thursdays	3.15-4.15pm	16/1/20 ongoing

CLUBS—2nd HALF SPRING TERM 2020

NAME OF CLUB	YEAR GROUP	DAY	TIME	DATES
Dance	Years 3/4/5/6	Mondays	3.15-4.15pm	24/2-30/3/20 (5 weeks)
Brass Band Club (Ongoing)	Class 3 + Private Tuition Pupils	Tuesdays	3.15-4.15pm	14/1-11/2/20 (5 weeks)
Chess Club	Years 3/4/5/6	Thursdays	3.15-4.15pm	27/2-2/4/20 (6 weeks)
Sewing Club	Year 6	Thursdays	3.15-4.15pm	16/1/20 ongoing
Fencing Club	Years 3/4/5/6	Thursdays	3.15-4.15pm	5/3-2/4/20 (5 wks) *

* Letters will be given out after half term

REGULAR PRIVATE PROVIDER CLUB INFORMATION

Contact details if you would like for your child to participate :

CLUB	DAY	TIME	CONTACT DETAILS
TENNIS	Tuesday	3.15-4.15pm	Stuart Grice—07709 816951
ART	Tuesday	3.15-4.15pm	Rosie Stanfield—01772 601410
SPANISH	Tuesday	3.15-4.15pm	Alison Powell—01772 616188
JUJITSU	Monday	3.15-4.15pm	Shaun McCabe—07808 536688