



Brereton C of E (A) Primary School Newsletter



Summer Term
July 2018

Dear Parents,

As this is my last newsletter as headteacher of Brereton CE Primary School I would like to thank you all for the support and friendship that I have received from you and your families over the past thirteen years and two terms.

Being headteacher here has been a privilege; working with your children every day has been such a pleasure. I will miss everyone here enormously but I am confident that the school is in very safe hands with Miss Goff who is really looking forward to returning to Brereton in September.

I particularly want to thank the governors who have volunteered their time selflessly to lead this wonderful school.

Without the amazing staff team Brereton would not have the family feel that it does today. They have been my daily family and I will miss them all more than I can say. Their work ethic for your children is exceptional; never before have I worked with such a consistently dedicated group of individuals.

I want to say a very heartfelt thank you for my amazing gifts and truly moving cards. Your words and the words of your children have had me in tears.



A few of my amazing gifts from parents, staff and pupils.

Have a wonderful summer everyone! School reopens on Wednesday 5th September 2018.

Attendance

At our governors meeting this week the governors reviewed attendance. As we did not meet the target that they set this year we are looking for ways to improve. More than one family that we know of have taken holidays during term time whilst informing the school that their children are ill. We also know that children have been allowed to stay at home on sports day because they do not like taking part. Please be mindful of the impact that missing school has on your child, not only on the fact that they miss out on essential learning, but it also impacts on their friendships. Our home school agreement talks about **working in partnership with the school in a spirit of co-operation and mutual respect, as well as supporting the school's attendance policy, particularly in regard to term time absences.** If your child has an attendance of less than 95% then their attendance is of concern to us. We would hope that no-ones attendance would drop below 90%.



Today we celebrate the fact that it is the beginning of our glorious school holidays.

We all wish you a relaxing and enjoyable break from routine.

Have a wonderful summer enjoying family and friends.





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Prayer for the end of the school year:

At the end of this school year we give thanks to
God:

For all the teaching and learning that have taken
place in our school,
both in and out of the classroom.

For the talents and gifts that have been shared
and the challenges that have been faced.

For the burdens that have been lifted and the
hurts that have been healed.

For the respect and care that have been given.

We give thanks for the friendships that have just
begun and for those that have grown.

For the faith that has been lived in our daily
struggles.

For the hope that has lifted our hearts on the
dark days and for the love that has kept us going.

We give thanks for the community that we are and
we ask you Lord -

Bless our students: may your Spirit inspire them
with confidence and calmness.

Bless our families as we take our holidays, may our
time together leave us with memories to cherish.

Pour out your love on us that we may return
renewed and refreshed to continue our journey
together .

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Dinner Money

The price for school dinners has remained static for two years now. Due to rising costs, from September the price of a school meal will increase by 10p from £2.30 to £2.40. The current cashless system remains the same and all meals to be paid via ParentPay.

Brereton Bears

The price of a session at Brereton Bears has also remained the same for two years and from September will increase 50p per session. Therefore breakfast club will be £5.50 and after school club will be £10.50

After School Clubs

We have not yet planned the after school clubs for September. There will be no after school clubs for the first week back after the holidays during which you will be informed of the clubs available.

Arts, International and Sports Award

We have achieved an arts award, an international award and a silver sports mark award. Thanks go to The Clonter Opera for the arts award and Mr McAulay and Mr Stanway who have coordinated the sports mark and the international award.

Walk to Kenya

Well done to everyone who helped to add the miles on our attempt to 'walk to Kenya'. We managed to collectively walk, run and cycle 5082.3 miles!! Whilst we didn't quite make it to Kenya, we did raise £89.50 for the school councils chosen charity 'Save the Children'.

Appointment Evidence

From September, if your child has a medical/dental appointment during school time, please provide the school office with evidence of the appointment when you inform us.

Back To School

We look forward to welcome you back to school on Wednesday 5th September!





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Safeguarding

Top Tip for Games

Before allowing children to play a new online game, either try it yourself first, or research online to see if it's appropriate - paying attention to issues such as whether there's a chat system and whether the game they are playing is age appropriate.

The National Online Safety group have created a free guide for parents & carers for your school to share about 'Playerunknown's Battle-grounds' (PUBG) - a game played by millions of children and young people worldwide.

The guide is designed to inform parents and carers about the dangers and risks of letting their children play PUBG and how they can help keep their children safe online.

Please follow this link for a free guide for parents:
<https://twitter.com/natonlinesafety/status/1006924770657611776>

We all have a responsibility for the safety of children and adults at risk so if you have concerns contact:
Children's Services - **0300 123 5012**
Adult Services - **0300 123 5010**



Are you a Child?
Need to talk?

Contact ChildLine anytime - calls are free and confidential

Call 0800 1111

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