



Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Fortnightly Newsletter



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## Open the Book

'Open the Book' told the story of Elijah and the prophets of Baal.

On Mt. Carmel, Elijah said to the people of Israel, "How long will you waver between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow him; but if Baal is God, follow him" ([1 Kings 18:21](#)). The people remained noncommittal at that point. Elijah then challenged the prophets of Baal to prepare a bull as an offering for their god—Elijah would do the same—with this catch: they could light no fire on their altar. The God who answered with [fire from the sky](#) would be considered the true God (verses 22–25).

Then God did what Baal could never do: the fire of the LORD fell from heaven and consumed the burnt offering *and* the wood *and* the stones *and* the dust, "and also licked up the water in the trench" (verse 38). The people of Israel bowed down and declared the Lord as God (verse 39).



## Worship—Love God and Love One Another

In worship last week we shared the story of the Jesus' Escape into Egypt, Matthew 2:13-15, and it got us thinking about refugees. We wondered how it must have feel to be in such danger, what people were able to take with them and wondered what they hoped and prayed for as they left. We discussed how we might feel. Then thought about refugees today and about how we could help.

This week we shared the story of Jesus being presented in the temple and recognised for who he was. We thought about who really knows us—the people closest to us.

## Class Church Visits



Year 3 and 4—Thursday 30th January,

Reception, years 1 and 2 —Thursday 13th February.



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## Boccia



Pupils from years 1, 2 and 3 joined with four other local schools in the Holmes Chapel Cluster to play Boccia last week and years 4, 5 and 6 took part this week. A great time was had by all and lots of new skills learnt. Thank you to Thrive for organising the morning.

## Health and Safety

We are pleased to announce that we have been awarded the Gold Award in our recent Health and Safety Compliance Audit. We are proud to say that our school is well-maintained, with a clean and orderly appearance both internally and externally. A special thank you to Mr Spilsbury who works tirelessly looking after our school and Mr Moore who has happily stepped in to maintain this standard in his absence, we are very thankful and appreciate all that Mr Moore is doing.

*Because safety matters*



Health and Safety Compliance Audit

**GOLD AWARD**

Awarded to

**Brereton Primary School**

23<sup>rd</sup> of January 2025

*Jeanne Fairbrother*

Jeanne Fairbrother Director



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## PTA—Valentine Disco



7th February is a non-uniform day in exchange for a small present to go to the Valentine's Gift Room. Items could be: chocolate, toiletries, gifts for any family member, but no alcohol please.



The school disco is back! On Friday 14th of February there will be a school disco for all pupils.

Please come dressed in playground wear and bring your disco outfit in a named bag if you want to change after school.

## THANK YOU!

We would like to say thank you for being so understanding regarding the lunch issues on Monday and Tuesday this week, thank you to everyone who brought a packed lunch on Tuesday. We have been assured by Cheshire East that there will be no future issues regarding our lunch arrangements.

Autumn/ Winter Menu 2024-25

Week 1			Week 2			
<b>MONDAY</b>	Vegetarian Sausage Roll & potatoes Vegetables & Gravy(v)	Pasta Parma Rosa (v)	Flap Jack Finger & fruit Chunk or Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit Platter	<b>MONDAY</b>	Homemade Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Sauté potatoes (v)	Melting Moment or Veghurt Fresh Fruit Platter
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Spaghetti Bolognese & Homemade Garlic Bread	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of filling /s (v)	Shortbread Finger & fruit Chunk or Fresh Fruit Platter	<b>TUESDAY</b>	Homemade Beef cottage Pie & Vegetables	Chocolate Penny or Fresh Fruit Platter
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	All Day Breakfast	Vegetarian All Day Breakfast (v)	Ice cream & fruit Couls or Fresh Fruit Platter	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Quorn Sausage, Roast potatoes, Vegetable & Gravy or Beans	Orange Cookie or Fresh Fruit Platter
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Chicken Korma Rice & Cous-Cous	Ravioli in a homemade tomato Sauce(v)	Berry Bun Or Fresh Fruit Platter	<b>THURSDAY</b>	Homemade Chicken & Vegetable pie	Jacket potato with a choice of filling/s (v) Dorset apple cake Or Fresh Fruit Platter
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Fish Fingers & Chips Peas or Baked Beans	Cheesy Pasta & Vegetables	Chocolate Surprise Brownie or Fresh Fruit Platter	<b>FRIDAY</b>	Fish Fingers & Chips Peas or Baked Beans	Omelette & chips Peas or Baked Beans (v) Chocolate Crunch Finger & Fruit Chunk or Fresh Fruit platter

## Learning Exhibition

Our next learning exhibition is Thursday 6th February 9-10:30am.

This will begin again with headteacher updates in the hall before the children present their learning in their classrooms. We hope to see you there.

The updates powerpoint will also be emailed to parents for anyone unable to attend..



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Achievements outside of school:

Aria, year 4, started athletics with Crewe and Nantwich in Sept and has since taken part in 3 competitions in events including running, relays, vertical jump and speed bounce. Last weekend was the County final of the indoor sports hall competition and Crewe and Nantwich athletes were winners with the U11 Girls coming 1st.

Here is Aria with the cup, well done Aria!



Arthur in Reception won the Judo Lion from Middlewich Judo Club last week for working hard and listening carefully.

Parent Information:

Infographic titled 'What Parents & Educators Need to Know about TIKTOK' with sections on risks, age-inappropriate content, body image, in-app spending, and advice for parents.



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### Clubs:

Club and Staff Member	Day	Year Groups	Cost	Pick up Point and time
KS1 Dance Mrs Warren	Monday	KS1		4.15pm Front Office
Writing Group Mrs Mitton	Monday	Years 4/5/6		4.15pm Front Office
KS2 Netball Mrs Warren	Tuesday	KS2		4:15pm Front Office
Junior Task-master Miss Moran	Wednesday	Years 3/4		4.15pm Front Office
Reception Mini-Sports	Wednesday	Reception		4.30pm Front Office
KS1 More than Sports	Wednesday	Year 1 and 2		4.30pm Front Office
KS2 Hockey Thrive	Wednesday	KS2		4:15pm Front Office
KS1 Craft Club Mrs Forrest-er/ Mrs Linsen-ers	Thursday	Year 1 and 2		4.15 Front Office
Forest School Mr Simmons	Friday	Y3-6	£20	4.30pm Front Office

### Dates for upcoming events:

**Tuesday 4th February** - Year 1 Detective dress up day

**Thursday 6th February**—Learning Exhibition 9am-10.30am

**Friday 7th February**—Whole school non-uniform for the Valentine’s Day gift shop. Please donate one small gift to treat a loved one or special friend such as stationery, confectionery, small toys...please no alcohol.

**Tuesday 11th February**—Safer Internet Day

**Thursday 13th February**—Year 6 parents/Carers Information meeting for Pensarn, 3.30pm

**Friday 14th February**—Last day in school and Valentines Disco, time afterschool to 5pm for year s 1-6.

**Monday 24th February**—Pupils back to school.



### SIAMS Visit

This week Mrs Dean, Headteacher at Lower Peover Primary School, visited on behalf of the diocese to complete a SIAMS Keeping on Track visit. She commented on the calm atmosphere and children’s behaviour. She also celebrated the work in RE, impact of collective worship and arrangements for inclusion at the school.

### Play Leader Vacancy

We have a temporary vacancy for a play leader in our after school club. The position is for 15 hours each week, 3-6pm, Mon-Fri.

More information is available on the school website or from the school office.



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*Brereton Primary School Attendance Policy on a Page*



**Brereton Attendance Goals**  
We attend school **REGULARLY**  
We attend school **PUNCTUALLY**  
We attend school **READY** to learn

School Attendance Target is:

96%

4 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR

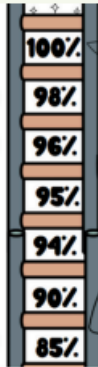
7 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR

9 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR

11 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR

20 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR

30 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR



Ready



Respectful



Safe

### Brereton Primary School Morning Routine

Pupils are expected to be in school by 8.50am.

Registers are taken at 8.55am. Pupils will receive a late mark 'L' in the register if they are not in school by 8:55am.

Children arriving after 8:50am are required to sign in via the school office providing a reason for their lateness. This is then monitored by the attendance lead and parent's will be contacted by phone / letter if a pattern starts to form.

The registers will be closed at 9.30am. Any pupils arriving after that time will be marked as 'U - late after the registers have closed' in the register for that session. This is classed as an unauthorised absence

*At Brereton, we know that it is vital that our school attend school regularly and punctually to achieve the best outcomes. We want children to become the best version of themselves: academically, socially and morally as they grow into the next generation of our community. Good school attendance is the foundation to this.*

*School staff will follow up absent pupils with phone calls and home visits if absence is not reported by parents or school have a concern.*

#### Absence from school MAY be authorised for:

- Unavoidable medical appointments (with evidence)
- Days of religious observance
- Exceptional family circumstances (with evidence)
- Illness - although please do not keep children absent with minor ailments.

#### Absence from school WILL NOT be authorised for:

- Having to stay at home due to an unwell parent or carer or sibling.
- Day trips
- Birthdays
- Holidays
- Rest days after a poor nights sleep

If attendance falls below 92% you may be invited into school for a school attendance meeting, which may also be attended by members of the LA attendance team.

At this meeting we will look at things that are working well for your child, things that need to improve and to put a plan in place to help their attendance to improve, involving other supporting agencies if necessary, e/g, Health, Home Start, Early Help, SEND services etc...

**REPORT IT FIRST and EVERY DAY**  
If your child is going to be absent from school, please report this ASAP via the school office

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*#youvebeenmised*

Our attendance this week is

95.87%

Cheshire East monitor attendance and punctuality at our school and look at the actions we take to help improve it. To keep you informed, teachers will provide you with a record of your child's attendance at your parent's consultation. Mrs Field will be contacting families with persistent absence to look at how we can support you.

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