

Brereton CE Primary School

Friday 6th September



Dear Parents,

Welcome to a new school year! We hope you have had a wonderful summer and you have enjoyed some quality time together.

A special welcome to our new Reception pupils and those who have joined us higher up the school. We hope you enjoy your time at Brereton.

The staff have been working hard this summer to ensure their classrooms are well resourced and ready for the children. Their efforts are greatly appreciated and I look forward to seeing the children's work enhancing these fantastic learning environments over the next few weeks.

Over the summer, we have installed new fire doors and added access ramps. Thank you to Mr Spilsbury who has been overseeing this work and ensuring all is in order.

Autumn term is always particularly busy so we will try to ensure parents are kept well informed. Our newsletters will be sent out via School Spider each week. Class teachers will be putting a topic web online, outlining key learning objectives for this half term, and our school website is updated weekly. We also try to add key notices to our social media accounts so please follow us if you don't already do so.

Remember, if you have any concerns or issues, however small, please do speak to a member of staff. Problems can often be solved quickly, if we know about them.

Best wishes

Mrs McLean

Welcome Meetings

We would like to invite parents into school for a Welcome to Class meeting on Tuesday 10th September. The session will run twice, at 3:40pm and again at 4:30pm. This will provide parents with an opportunity to see their child's classroom and find out about rules, routines and expectations. There will be an opportunity after each session to ask questions. We hope parents will find this useful.

Peanut Allergy

Just to remind you we have children in school with severe peanut allergies. Please **DO NOT** send children with peanuts or food containing peanuts into school.

Individual/Family Photos

The photographer from Tempest Photography will be in school to take the individual and family photographs on Monday 30th September.

MacMillan Coffee Morning

This year each class will choose a charity to support and promote. Reception have chosen MacMillan so they will be hosting a coffee morning on Friday 27th September 9-9:40am and they would love you to join them!



New Staff

Welcome to Mrs Baddeley (Y1) and Mrs Pirie (Y3). At the end of last year we also welcomed Mrs Wiggs and Mrs Oldham, who will be supporting children in KS1. We also now welcome Mrs Millington, who will be working in Reception with Miss Wellings and Miss Sherliker. We hope they all enjoy being part of the Brereton family.

Start of Day Procedures and Timetable Changes

The vast majority of feedback about our new start of day procedures has been incredibly positive so thank you for your comments.

We have also moved worship to the mornings Monday-Thursday and each class now has a story at 3pm. Listening to stories has a significant impact on children's development and attainment but research shows this good practice often stops at an early age. We are hopeful this change, along with several other initiatives, will promote reading for enjoyment.

Get Well Soon!

Unfortunately, Mrs Taylor is still poorly. I am sure you will all join us in sending her love, prayers and best wishes and we look forward to her returning in time for the Christmas festivities.



Many loving, caring thoughts are with you as you recover



Love God, love learning, love one another.

Matthew 20: 36-40





Church Services

St Oswald's is an incredibly beautiful church and we feel very privileged to have it as our church. Capacity, however, is a little limited, especially given increasing pupil numbers. The maximum capacity is 300 people, and even then it would be a tight squeeze.

We have given careful consideration to this difficult and we have discussed a number of options, such as holding a KS1 and a KS2 service. However, we recognise for working parents this would be difficult so we have decided to tailor church services to particular year groups. We have, however, introduced new services so all children (and parents) will experience a service. Each half term, every class will also attend church for a service led by reverend Sandi, which parents are welcome to attend. We also aim to actively promote Sunday services and Reverend Sandi would be delighted to welcome our children.

School Services:

Harvest - Friday 27th September 2pm

Years 3-6 (Year 4 leading)

Rec/Y1/Y2—Harvest celebration alongside MacMillan Coffee Morning from 9am

Remembrance - 11th November 11am

Years 2-6 (year 2 leading)

Christmas - 18th December 2pm

Whole School (Year 3 leading)

This will be a traditional service and all carols will be sung by the whole school.

Mothering Sunday - 20th March

Reception, Y1, Y2

Easter - 27th March 2pm

Years 3-6 (Year 5 leading)

Reception, Y1 and Y2 will host a Messy Church

Activity session at school on Friday 3rd April at 9:15. This will be led by Reverend Sandi.

Leaver's Service - 17th July 2pm

Whole school (year 6 leading)

Class Worship

These services will be led by Reverend Sandi. If you would like to walk with the children up to church please let the class teacher know.

Year 6 - Thursday 19th September 9:30am

Year 5 - Thursday 26th September 9:30am

Year 4 - Thursday 3rd October 9:30am

Year 3 - Thursday 28th November 9:30am

Year 2 - Thursday 17th October 9:30am

Year 1 - Thursday 14th November 9:30am

Reception - Thursday 21st November 9:30am

Congratulations

Congratulations to Miss Sherliker who got engaged over the summer holidays. We wish Miss Sherliker and her fiancée all the very best for their future together

