



Brereton C of E (A) Primary School Newsletter



Spring 4
Friday 30th January 2015

Dear Parents,

The County finals football tournament has been moved to next week due to the snow this week. I would like to take this opportunity to wish our team good luck for the competition next Thursday. They have a lovely new kit to play in thanks to the PTA.

We have taken the decision to employ our sports coaches for two additional sporting clubs on a Tuesday and Wednesday lunchtime. They will oversee football for anyone who wants to play with a focus on sportsmanship. We will ask the children to find alternative games to play on the other days unless there is a football team practice session.

Website

Please have a look at the class pages on the school website. Teachers are putting regular updates on their pages and there are several useful ideas in FAQ (frequently asked questions) section to help with learning at home. There are links to you tube videos to help with phonics and maths learning. Your child should also have received their log on details for the VLE (virtual learning environment) part of the site where you will find discussions, homework tasks and wikis.

Teaching and Learning Review

Our School Improvement Partner carried out a thorough review of teaching and learning on Tuesday this week. Mr Williams has helped us identify areas for improvement and validated our judgements. Thank you to those parents who came over to speak to him in the playground on Tuesday morning. Mr Williams really enjoyed meeting the children and seeing teaching and learning across the school. He identified several areas of outstanding practice here at Brereton such as Behaviour and Safety, Behaviour for Learning and our Early Years Foundation Stage. He praised teaching and learning seeing several examples of outstanding and the rest being good with outstanding elements. It is now our job to focus on reaching outstanding in all areas.

Weather Warning

Please send your child in with a suitably warm coat, hat, scarf and gloves for this snowy weather.



A pair of wellingtons would be great as well.

Assessment without Levels

The government has decided that the levels used in education are not clear and easy to understand. All schools are being asked to devise their own assessment systems. As a school we are keen to use a system which is clear to parents, children, teachers and the secondary schools that we feed to. We use assessment to make end of unit judgements, end of year judgements and daily judgements about learning. We use assessment to inform our teaching. We use assessment to show pupil progress. It is a key part of school life. We will be working on our new system across the course of this academic year. We will be working on assessment with the other schools in the Holmes Chapel and Community District Partnership. We hope to be able to share our new system with you all in the summer term and will ask for your feedback on the new system to ensure that it is clear and user friendly. The old levels (1C,1B,1A,2C,2B,2A etc) will continue to be used until the new system is in place.

Car Park

Parents please lead by example and do not walk across the school car park to get to or from the playground. There have been occasions when staff have had near misses. Your child will follow you. Please, please, please follow the footprints and stay safe.

School Meals

All school meals must be paid for in advance. Should you wish to pay for meals in full for this half term, the total would be 29 meals @ £2.20 = £63.80. Please pay for meals by cash or cheque to the school office or online using the Cheshire East epayment system.

Mad Science

The missed session this week will be added on to the end.

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After School Clubs

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Day	Club	Age group	Staff	Times	Cost
Monday	French	Years 3,4,5,6		3.20—4.00pm	Chargeable Fee
Tuesday	High Five	Year 3,4	Miss Williams Miss Allison	12.30 -1.00pm	No charge
	Tuesday Club (in Reception Class) Full Dance Sports Club	All Year 3,4,5,6	Children's Service North West Sports	13th January 3.20-4.15pm 13th Jan—10th Feb 3.30-4.30pm	£22.00 for full course
Wednesday	Dance Sports Club	Year 1,2	North West Sports	7th Jan - 11th Feb 3.30-4.30pm	£22 for full course See letter for details
	Brereton Wind Band	KS2	Mrs Puttick	12.30—1.00pm	Chargeable fee
Thursday	High Five Netball Club	Year 5 Year 6	Mrs Sant Mrs Hollinshead	Thursday Lunchtime 12.30—1.00pm	No charge
	Mad Science	Year 2,3,4,5,6	Mad Science	15th Jan—12th March 3.20-4.20pm	£60.00 for full course FULL
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School Fleece

School Fleece Jackets are now in stock priced £11.50. They come in chest sizes 24" to 34". If you would like a Fleece please see Mrs Sant or Mrs Betteley.

Volunteering in School

If you would like to come into school and listen to pupils read or support the teachers by preparing resources, please contact either a class teacher or Mrs Sant or Mrs Betteley. All volunteers will be required to have a DBS check before volunteering in school.

Items of Clothing

Can I please ask you to ensure that all items of clothing brought into school are clearly marked with your child's name. We have cardigans, jumpers, coats with no name in and therefore we cannot reunite them with their

School Visits

We would like to offer an online payment system for making payments for school visits. This can be done via the Cheshire East ePayment system, the same system as payments for school meals. Each visit organised will be set up on the ePayments system for you to access to make a payment and consent to your child taking part. If you prefer you can still make a payment by sending it into school in an envelope clearly marked. To access the ePayments google Cheshire East Council ePayments, click on schools ePayments parents guide, click schools ePayments system to register and logon.

