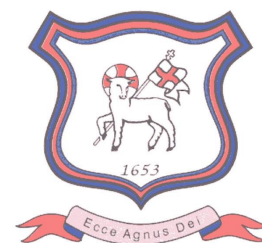


# Bretherton Endowed CE Primary School Newsletter

30th April 2021



## INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Dear Parents,

I hope that you all have an enjoyable Bank Holiday weekend this weekend. We have concluded a busy week in Class 2 as the children have been supporting our recruitment process by feeding back to us after candidates planned and taught a lesson. We will be interviewing in early May and will keep you updated as to our new staff member.

Class 3 have commenced their Allotment topic this term and would like to thank Mr & Mrs Farbon for welcoming them to their fantastic garden. It was a great launch and inspired them to improve our garden and growing areas. Thanks too to Mr Farbon and Mr Mee for giving up their time to tidy and clear some of our growing areas—they look so much tidier. If you can spare a little time to help develop our outside area further, we would love to hear from you.

### Parents Evening

Thank you for bearing with our parent evening booking system this year— we will rectify all errors for next time. If you have not been able to speak to your child's class teacher or have any additional questions, please don't hesitate to contact us to arrange a mutually convenient time.

### Relationship Education

Thank you to parents who attended our Relationship Education Consultation Zoom this week. We hope that you found it informative and feel more confident with our approach to educating children in an age appropriate way the importance of different relationships and growing up. If you would like to review the material, you can find it on our website :<http://www.brethertonschool.org.uk/page/phse-including-sre/37577> If you have any questions or wish your child to opt out of the non statutory aspects of SRE, contact school.

### Help to transport to sporting events

I wrote this week about needing help transporting children to sporting events. The letters for each event will go out over the next couple of weeks and if you can help, this would be much appreciated. We are delighted that some sporting events have commenced ...watch out other schools, Bretherton's sporting skills are back!

### Family Service at Church

St John the Baptist Family Service on this Sunday at 9.00. It would be lovely to begin returning to Church services if you haven't managed to already and the family service is a lovely way to start your Sunday.

### General maintenance in school

I would like to ask whether anyone could recommend a general 'handyman' to support us with some maintenance needs during the half term holiday in June. If you can recommend someone who can put their hand to a variety of carpentry and maintenance skills, please email the school office.

## PTFA

Please support Bretherton Endowed PTFA on #easyfundraising, you can raise FREE donations when you shop online with over 5,000 retailers. It's simple and only takes 2 minutes to sign up! Plus, once you have raised your first £5, easyfundraising will match it!

Sign up now: [https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/brethertonendowedptfa/?invite=VDD8EF&referral-campaign=c2s&utm\\_source=refsharebox](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/brethertonendowedptfa/?invite=VDD8EF&referral-campaign=c2s&utm_source=refsharebox)

Contact the PTFA on  
[ptfa@bretherton.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:ptfa@bretherton.lancs.sch.uk)

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

**Please continue to leave from the front gate near the entrance to school rather than the car park as it is dangerous.**

**Thank you for not gathering on the pavement and entering the playground at the end of day.**

## 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](mailto:bursar@bretherton.lancs.sch.uk)**

**or 01772 600431 to arrange a chat**

## FURTHER INFORMATION

- “And Jesus Christ our Lord was shown to be the Son of God when God powerfully raised him from the dead by means of the Holy Spirit.” [Rom. 1:4](#)

### Hot weather

If we could ask that all children have a reusable water bottle in school each day and if warm, could we ask you to apply sun cream to your child before they come to school. Fingers crossed for more sun to come.

### Donations

Thank you to Mrs Deadman for a lovely supply of book donations. We can't wait to read them. Thank you also to Mrs Farbon for some academic books to support teaching and learning. So grateful.

### New reception in September 2021

We are delighted to say that we have our 15 places full for September 2021 start. Mrs Williams and Mrs Clarke are working together to plan the parent's transition meeting on 20th May 2021 at 6.00pm. We are hoping to be able to offer a face to face event. We look forward to welcoming them into school. Many attend our pre school and we are grateful to Mrs Vincent and Mrs Wood for providing such a lovely, nurturing environment.

### Uniform

Please remember that we have a pre loved uniform rack in the school entrance that you are most welcome to look through and use. If you wish to purchase any uniform, please see the school page on the Handprints website.

<https://handprints.info/product-category/bretherton-endowed-ce/>

If I could ask everyone to check their uniform this weekend to ensure that your child's name is clearly written in it. During this week's hot weather we often have a number of jumpers and cardigans left on the field and we cannot pass them back to the rightful owner without names being inside.

### Welcome Miss Champion

We would like to welcome Miss Champion, a student teacher in Class 2. She has been getting to know the class and is excited to make Bretherton her home until the end of the year. We are delighted to be able to support her career while offering high quality lessons for our children.

### The Nest

A local school is hosting an independent holiday club during half term called the NEST. We have attached the flyer in case you require some sessions during our half term May holiday.

### A few dates for your diary (assuming the roadmap continues to plan)

20th May	6.00—New Reception Parents meeting
25th June afternoon	Proposed Sports Day— we're not sure how we can do it but we want to do it so keep the date free!
1st July	Whole school move up day (This is when all classes move up to their new class and meet class members and/or teachers.
14th July	Proposed Class 3 and 4 productions—face to face audience or video to be decided soon.
19th July	Year 6 take over the school ( the children in Year 6 become the teachers for the day and
plan all	the lessons under the supervision of staff)
21st July	Year 6 leavers event hopefully in Church

## FURTHER INFORMATION

### Summer Sow and Grow for Families

Saturday 8th May, 1pm-2:30pm for primary school aged children and their parents/ carers.

Join the Family Learning team on our FREE, online Summer Sow and Grow for Families and have a go at growing your own flowers and salads. You will also take part in our, 'How Tall Can You Grow' Sunflower Challenge and make some fantastic natural art creations! A free resource pack is provided before the event.

Enrol here:

[https://portal.mis.nelsongroup.ac.uk/Page/U\\_PublicCourseDetails?uio\\_id=12846](https://portal.mis.nelsongroup.ac.uk/Page/U_PublicCourseDetails?uio_id=12846)

### After School Family Clubs

Enrol here:

KS1: [https://portal.mis.nelsongroup.ac.uk/Page/U\\_PublicCourseDetails?uio\\_id=12716](https://portal.mis.nelsongroup.ac.uk/Page/U_PublicCourseDetails?uio_id=12716)

KS2: [https://portal.mis.nelsongroup.ac.uk/Page/U\\_PublicCourseDetails?uio\\_id=12718](https://portal.mis.nelsongroup.ac.uk/Page/U_PublicCourseDetails?uio_id=12718)

### Family STEM Club

Thurs 13th May x 3 weeks, 4pm-4:45pm for primary school aged children and their parents and carers

Join us as a Family and help your child develop crucial STEM (Science, technology, engineering and Maths) skills! This course is designed to guide and encourage your children to look at planning, creating and improving their models and creations...our topic for this course? FLIGHT! Work as a family to create models such rockets, helicopter and more! The course will focus on completing challenges at home as a family with guidance from the tutors. FREE resources provided.

Enrol here: [https://portal.mis.nelsongroup.ac.uk/Page/U\\_PublicCourseDetails?uio\\_id=12721](https://portal.mis.nelsongroup.ac.uk/Page/U_PublicCourseDetails?uio_id=12721)

### National survey of children, The Big Ask

The new Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, has today launched The Big Ask – the largest ever consultation with children aged 4 to 17 in England. It aims to find out children's concerns and aspirations about the future, so that we can put children at the heart of our country's recovery from the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

Parents, care leavers and those working with children are invited to complete the adult survey to share their views about the future for children and young people today, and what they think is holding young people back.

The results from this survey will help the Children's Commissioner identify the barriers preventing children from reaching their potential, put forward solutions and set ambitious goals for the country to achieve.

### Covid 19

I am certain that we are all looking forward to the increase in freedoms that will come through May and June, however, guidance in school is that we need to remain with our current risk assessment. Our classes are in 'bubbles' for lessons and play times and we are maintaining a strict handwashing and cleaning regime. With a few cases in our area though, I would like to remind everyone of our process in the event of a suspected or positive case.

If your child has one of the three main symptoms of Covid -19, please do not bring them to school but seek a PCR test. If your child starts with symptoms at school, we will contact you to collect your child to seek a PCR test. Once your test results are received, positive will result in a period of 10 days self-isolation and negative will mean your child can return to school. I would like to ask that you always keep school informed so that we can make decisions for test and trace. We know how frustrating similar symptoms for hay fever and summer colds can be, but we are required to be consistent in our approach.

If we have a positive case in school, we will be asked to close the class bubble and any other bubble that the child is part of. This may involve the Hub, after school sports clubs etc. We want to be able to balance the risk of these additional bubbles also having to self- isolate with continuing to offer pupils opportunities. There is no doubt that the impact of a positive case could be felt by many families if it happens but we sincerely hope that it doesn't.

I have attached an information page from the Lancashire resilience Forum for your information on the uses of PCR and LFT tests. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.