

BRETHERTON ENDOWED C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

*Learning together, growing together, achieving together, caring together
within our Christian family.*



14th November 2016

Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,



Dates for Your Diary.

November

Tuesday 15 th	Bishop Rawstorne Academy - online safety session (year 6)
Thursday 17 th	Nasal Flu Vaccination (Years 1-3)
Friday 18 th	Non-uniform day for Christmas Fair 2.45pm Friendship Week Worship & Celebration - all parents welcome
Thursday 24 th	Christmas Fair No pre-school

After School Clubs

Mondays	Zumba 7.45-8.45pm
Tuesdays	Tennis 3.15-4.30 Spanish Club 3.20-4.20 Art Club 3.15-4.30pm Adult Art Class 7.00-9.00pm

Extra Curriculum Activities (Second Half of Autumn Term)

Monday

School Council	Lunchtime	
Football Club	3.15-4.30	Y4, 5 & 6
Games Club	3.15-4.15	Y1 & 2
Sewing Club	3.15-4.30	Y6

Tuesday

Young Voices	Lunchtime	Y5 & 6
Ethos Group	Lunchtime	
Spanish Club	3:20-4:20	All Years
Tennis	3:30-4:30	All Years

Wednesday

NO ROUNDEERS CLUB THIS HALF TERM

Thursday

Wild Things Outdoors	3.15-4.30pm	(6 weeks From 10/11-8/12)
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Friday

Maths Club	Lunchtime	Y2 & 3
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Remembrance Worship

Thank you so much for those who joined us for our Remembrance worship led by the Ethos group on Thursday. It was so lovely to see so many people share this commemoration with us. The children worked extremely hard and presented the prayers, songs and poems with maturity and understanding. Thank you to them all and all pupils who helped by sharing their dreams for peace on earth- they were inspiring. In particular, thank you to Isabella and Lauren for working hard on their power point - it was all their own work and Olivia, who overcame her nerves and fears to perform the piano to commence our assembly.

A special thank you to Rev Michael, Pastor Les and Mr M Turner, from the Royal British Legion, who gave up their time to be with us.

Remembrance Sunday

Special thank you to all families and children who came to the Remembrance Day service at St John's on Sunday and walked to the Memorial together with our community. Well done Mary and Alex for representing our school by laying the wreath.

New safeguarding procedures

Thank you for your help and co-operation in our new end of day procedures. With all pupils coming out onto the playground, it has enabled teachers to be able to see who the children are meeting. Thank you for coming into the playground to meet them.

On a rainy day, your children can be left with the teacher on duty at the *playground* gate if they are in class 2,3,4 and they will enter school using the back doors of school and their classroom doors. Class 1 will enter using the porch door as a member of staff from class 1 will be there to welcome them.

PTFA

At the PTFA meeting on Tuesday, they agreed to support school in replacing our WIFI in school (which will ensure that EVERY class will have full WIFI coverage which is more reliable and will keep school abreast of future developments in both how we teach and how children learn). They also kindly agreed to fund the coaches for a whole school trip later this year and some new playground markings. I will set up consultations with children in the next couple of weeks so they can help decide what we need..... exciting! We also discussed, for the future, the possible purchase of a class set of chrome books for upper key stage 2 and the need for some Ipads to support class blogging. Whilst we look at the specifications we may need, I wonder if anyone can help us choose and locate great deals or even know companies who might sponsor our IT equipment as this would be fantastic?

Great news for our Bretherton Family

Mr Martin Ainscough DL CBE was awarded 'The most excellent order of the British Empire' (Commander of the British Empire) in June 2016 in the Queens 90th birthday honours list for services to charity, to education and to young people in Wigan. Martin has been involved with many charities over the years including being a founder member of the Wigan Youth Zone benefitting over 6,000 children throughout the Wigan Borough as well as other Youth Zones in the northwest, educational & homeless charities. Martin was delighted to attend his CBE investiture at Buckingham Palace on 25th October where he received his award from 'Her Majesty The Queen'. He was also accompanied to the Palace by his wife, Judith, Charlotte's Nannie, his daughters Rachael & Danni (Charlottes mum). A fantastic day was had by all.

Thank you for sharing this fantastic news with us - what a special day!

Non uniform day next Friday for Chocolates and bottles

There will be a non- uniform in school this Friday in return for donating bottle and chocolate for our PTFA Christmas Fair. If your child could bring your donations into class, staff will collect it from the classrooms later in the day. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Holiday dates 2017 2018

Please find attached our 2017 2018 holiday dates. Please note that from September 2017, we will end at 3.15 at the end of each half and full term rather than the earlier time of 2.00.

Shoe box

Thank you so much for your generosity again in collecting items for the shoe box appeal. We collected over 20 boxes which is fantastic. We had to ring for some additional boxes as we ran out so quickly; next year we will ensure we get a few more delivered at the start to make life easier for you. Thanks again... children were talking all week about the relevance and importance of helping others less fortunate, especially as our value this half term is '*Generosity*'.

Thank you to Martha Kidd who skipped down the corridor this week to share her joke with me.

Why was the broom late for school?
Because he over 'swept'!

Keep them skipping in.....

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