

Bretherton Endowed Primary School

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

Our Newsletter

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

As you may remember, on the announcement of Mr Brindle's successful appointment, my first priority was to secure stability and excellent teaching in class 2 and with Mrs Allchurch and Miss Hymers, this has been achieved. We have begun the recruitment for the post to commence in September and rest assured, I will keep you updated with information throughout. I would like to thank you for

PTFA Update

Thanks to the PTFA for all their hard work in organising the Easter Egg Bingo. Thanks to Tommy for his 'eggs'ellent bingo calling skills. A great fun family night.

They **raised over £200**. Thank you to all concerned.

Their next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 2nd May at 7.00 in school.**

Whole School Development Plans

After two terms at Bretherton, I would like to update you as to our progress on our school development plan. I have attached a copy of our plans for your information and am delighted to be able to report that we are well on our way of achieving everything we set out to. Our school is passionate about teaching and learning opportunities and are fortunate to have staff who will go the extra mile for our children. Through their knowledge of their year groups and of learning journeys, they are personalising learning and continually planning opportunities to assess and develop children further. This comes from strong subject knowledge and ownership of our curriculum. Also expert subject leaders who are passionate about their subjects in school and who are happy to link with other subjects to ensure learning is meaningful and rooted in 'real life'.

We have nearly completed the IT initiatives, thanks to your support of the PTFA, their funding and extremely generous donations, which means that we now have a more consistent and reliable IT resource in school. We have just heard that we have been successful in our bid for our KS2 toilet refurbishment and are looking into further energy efficient improvements in school.

If you have any questions about our whole school development plans or the direction of school, please come in for a chat.

Outside improvements

This term we will see the PTFA donated playground markings completed after a period of consultation by the school council as to what designs were the best.

We are all looking forward to the warmer dryer weather which means that we are on the field more at lunch times and playtimes. We are looking at developing the 'woodland' area more and are looking for old car tyres, bike wheels, a couple of pallets and logs or branches (a safe and reasonable size) to use for den building.

Remember our door is always open— contact us on bursar@bretherton.lancs.sch.uk

or 01772 600431 to arrange a chat

CELEBRATING SCHOOL LIFE

Egg rolling

Well? What fun was had by all, in our annual egg rolling competition.

Well Done Winners!



Egg raffle

Thank you for all the egg donations for our raffle. We had a whopping 92! Every child had a raffle ticket in the pot along with purchased tickets and it **raised £193.00** for school council initiatives in school.

Cluster Sport Football success - by Lewis (year 5)

On Thursday 30th March our team of Year 5 and 6 boys made up of Rory, Toby, Finn, Joe, Connor, Jack, Alex and myself set off to Bishops our first matches in quite a while in the Cluster Football Tournament.

On arrival we discovered that we were in the middle sized school group so we knew it was going to be tough against some strong teams. The first game against Charnock Richard took us a while to get used to playing together and although we battled well we lost 2-0.

That meant that the next game against Richard Durnings it was all to play for if we were to qualify for the final.

It was a tough game but goals from Toby and Finn and some great defending meant we won 2-0 and qualified for the small schools final.

The Final was against Mossy Lea and again we played well as a team. After some end to end play and good passing from defence I managed to whip a cross in from the right hand side and Rory scored to put us 1-0 up! We were then under pressure for the last two minutes and Jack made a couple of great saves which meant we had won the final 1-0. It was a great afternoon!

The girls team

Lauren shared in worship the great games they had and how well they worked as a team. Thankyou to the girls team for their great team spirit.

Cultur'asian visit in school

Recount of the day by Libby and Lola

'It is always nice when Prags comes in because it's interesting and educational as we learn new things about the Hindu faith and Indian customs. Also, she does really fun things with us all like dancing, we all got to wear Indian clothes, art, cooking and henna. '

Prags emailed into school, commending our children on their attentive interaction , participation and manners. What another great experience. Thanks to Mrs Smith for organising the day.



DATES AND OTHER INFORMATION

Easter Hope Journey– by Lauren (year 5)

On 27th March, Year 5 went to Ormskirk for the Hope Journey. When we arrived, we noticed it was a church. We went inside and got into a groups. We did lots of activities that taught us about Easter. We met Peter, one of Jesus' disciples and he told his story. Once we had done the 6 activities , we had a assembly and sang some songs. We had a wonderful time and learned lots.

Bretherton pupils, were excellent ambassadors for our school and were really listening and reflecting on the areas being discussed– demonstrating a mature attitude in their learning. Well Done Year 5

Parents Evening

Thank you for attending parents evening, we hope that you found them informative. I'm sure you agree that these discussions are vital in supporting your child's education and their progress with the curriculum and so we thank you for your time. Our door is always open and we welcome you into school at any time to discuss any questions that you may have or to celebrate your child's achievements.

If you were unable to attend for any reason, your child's teacher will contact you to arrange a mutually agreeable time.

THEME OF WORSHIP — Perseverance

Perseverance is vital to growing in your faith; God wants his people to persevere so we have to overcome obstacles, difficulties ,trials and tribulations to experience victory in Christ.

Some Dates we know for next half term....

Class 1 Worship—Wednesday 3rd May
Sports day –Friday 23rd June 1-3.30
Productions—18th & 19th July
Leavers Disco - Thursday 20th July
Murder Mid Atlantic @ Bretherton School—Saturday 20th May 7pm.
Tickets still available at £15 which includes supper.
All profits to War Memorial Refurbishment fund.

Reminders

Does anyone have a love of gardening who can lend a helping hand in gardening club on Thursday commencing 11/5/17 3.15-4.15. Please let the school office know if you can help weekly and/or the occasional session.
Many Thanks

Some parents have asked that the current half term dates are listed each week for clubs and events and so we are happy to detail them below:

DAY OF THE WEEK	TIME	ACTIVITY	START AND END DATE	AVAILABLE YEAR GROUPS
Monday	3.15-4.30	Sewing Club	24/4/17 - Ongoing	Year 6
	3.15-4.15	Computing Club (20 max)	24/4, 8/5 & 22/5/2017	Class 1 & 2
	3.15 - 4.15	Football Club	24/4/17 - 22/5/17	Years 4,5,6
Tuesday	3.20 - 4.20	Spanish	18/4/17 - Ongoing	All Years
	12.00 - 12.30	Athletics	18/4/17 - 23/5/17	Years 4,5,6
	3.15 - 4.30	Art	18/4/17 - Ongoing	All Years
	3.15 - 4.30	Tennis Club	25/4/17-23/5/17	
NO TENNIS 18/4	Years 1-3			
Wednesday	3.15 - 4.15	S7 Zumba Club	26/4 - 24/5	Whole School
Thursday	3.15 - 4.15	Rounders	20/4/17 - 25/5/17	Years 5, 6
	3.15 - 4.15	Prize Winning Bingo (20 max)	20/4/17 - 25/5/17	Years 2 - 6
	3.15 - 4.15	Gardening Club (10 max)	11/5/17-25/5/17	Years R-2



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