

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

Being late

Last term we had an increase in children arriving late. Being late really can affect your child's start to the day. Please could we ask you to try your best to arrive in good time every day as arriving before 8.55am helps the day begin on a positive note, calm and purposeful which enables children to get ready to learn. If they are late, children often feel rushed, they may miss important announcements and it can also be disruptive for other children in class who are working hard at completing their morning activities. We would love to see all children in school for 8.55am. Any children who arrive after 8.55am and enter through the front door are marked late. Thank you for your help in promoting punctuality.

PTFA Update

Thank you to those who attended the PTFA meeting on 23rd May. The minutes are available if you would like to email the school office. The Father's Day breakfast was a great success. A huge thanks to the members who helped. Remember a list of stalls will be announced and we would love it if you could sign up to help. Read page 2 for details of how the day will be organised. Thank You for your support and

Follow your dreams

Last week, I wrote to tell you that Mrs Pope has decided to leave Bretherton and follow her dream. She is an inspirational teacher and will be sadly missed but I am sure you will join with me in wishing her well for the future.

We'll keep you updated as plans are made for next year, rest assured we will work hard to minimise any disruption for your children.

Parent forum

I would like to thank parents who were able to come for the parent forum before the holidays. I really do value your opinion and feedback on school processes. Areas discussed were attendance letters, homework, worship, awards, sports opportunities and reports. I have made amendments as a result and look forward to our last meeting at 9.00am on 4th July. If there is anything specific you would like to raise for discussion, please email me with details. You are also welcome to attend.

Online Payments

Well we're 'Live'! Thank you for your co-operation in our launch of our cashless payment system. We hope that you benefit for the ease of use and remember, we are more than happy to help at any time.

The website is www.schoolmoney.co.uk and the Helpline number should you need it is **0845 388 5510**.

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

or **01772 600431** to arrange a chat

CELEBRATING SCHOOL LIFE

Wonderful Year 2

Well done all children in Year 2 for their hard work and focus in their assessment week (SATs). They worked very hard to be the best they can be and whatever the outcomes, we are proud of their effort and positive attitude. They have demonstrated the very best of Bretherton qualities of perseverance, motivation and hard work. Thank you and Well Done.

Prize Winning Bingo

Miss Hymers has asked me to mention how incredible the members of her club have been last half term. On winning, many children shared their prizes and Miss Hymers would like to thank everyone who came for their caring nature and fun attitude. Well Done you!

Hampers and Donations

Letters have been sent home for donations to raffle hampers. Thanks for sending your donations in.

PTFA Meal

We would like to invite PTFA members to a meal at The Anchor, Bretherton at 6.00pm on Tuesday 11th July. This will be a lovely social event to thank all members for their hard work and say goodbye to some long standing members. Please let Karen Hudson or Anita Cross know if you can join us.

The Tennis Tournament

On Tuesday 23rd May Rupert, Libby, Thomas and Holly went to a tennis tournament at Croston. Unfortunately we didn't get through to the second round, although the teams were good. We tried our best, but we only won one game. Next time we hope to win.

By Thomas Grice

We are pleased to be welcoming two student teachers from Switzerland into school for 2 weeks commencing 27th June. Felix Weigel and Imhof Julien, who are 18 years old, have planned some lessons and will also help with the preparation for the end of year production. They're most welcome.

Diocese visitor in school

We would like to thank parents and children who welcomed our Diocesan Advisor, Mrs Kathryn Pym, on Wednesday last week. We invited her into school to share our Christian Ethos, Values and RE provision. She was extremely impressed by the confidence in which children discussed the Gospels, how they linked to their lives today and how they reflected on their beliefs. What shining stars who are each living out the Gospels with their good choices and care and love for each other.

The Football Tournament

On the 25th of May 2017 Bretherton Endowed's year 6 football team played in a dramatic series of football games on Bishops' 3G pitch, this team consisted of: Finn (Captain), Connor, Rory, Rupert, Thomas, Joe, Alex, Jack, Heidi, Anna and Mary. In the football tournament everybody played to the best of their ability, this stunning performance and incredible effort led to the team conceding no goals in the whole tournament and winning two of their three games, drawing the

other. The scores of these three games are shown below. Bretherton VS Eccleston St Mary's : 0-0 Bretherton VS Charnock Richard : 3-0 Rory Cross scoring 2, Connor Sumner scoring 1 Bretherton VS Heskin : 1-0 Joe Cairns scoring 1

Thankyou for everyone who took part or organised this event, and for those who provided transport and refreshments. Most importantly, thankyou for reading this match report!

By Finn and Connor



DATES AND OTHER INFORMATION

Welcome

We would like to welcome Mrs Vanessa Glew to our staff team at Bretherton. We are looking forward to September, when she will take up the post of Teaching Assistant supporting Key Stage 2 and assisting with sport and fitness initiatives in school.



Our thoughts and prayers are with those affected by the tragic events recently in Manchester and London. Let us live in hope for a peaceful world and a life filled with joy.

Water Polo

Well done for a great competitive performance in Water Polo at Tarleton. Great team work in a new sport for Bretherton.

First Aid For Parents

Just a reminder that we are hosting 2 sessions for parents **on 26th June 2017**. Session 1 at 9.00-11.00 and session 2 2.00-4.00. These are run by 'Heartbeat' charity and will cover emergency first aid skills. If you would like to be on the list for either, please ring or email the school office for a copy of the enrolment letter.

THEME OF WORSHIP — Hope

"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope." . Jeremiah 29:11

Class 3

Mrs Pope has been seconded to Jury Service w/c 19th June 2017 for 2 weeks. Class 3 will continue with their curriculum with Miss Motherwell, Mrs Allchurch and Miss Hymers ensuring teaching continues during this time.

REMINDERS

Last Toddler group meeting will be Friday 30th June. Please pass on the message to anyone who may use this great session.

The Ethos group has asked for your help in nominating your favourite bible quotation to create a new values display in school. Please send them in by the **Friday 30th June**. There are so many great choices -which one will you choose?

School reports will be coming home on **Wednesday 5th July**. We hope that you find them enjoyable and informative.

Music Performance

There will be a music performance by Class 3 in the Hall on Thursday 20th July 2017 at 2.45pm. Parents are welcome to attend.



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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 – 4.15	Play Doh Club	19/6/17 – 17/7/17	Years 3 & 4
	3.15 – 4.15	Football Club	19/6/17 – 17/7/17	Years 4/5/6
Tuesday	3.20 – 4.20	Spanish	13/6/17 – ongoing	All Years
	3.15 – 4.30	Art	13/6/17 - ongoing	All Years
	12.00 – 12.30	Athletics	13/6/17 – 27/6/17	Years 4/5/6
	12.30 – 1.00	Rounders Club	20/6/17-11/7/17	Years 3 & 4
	3.15 – 4.15	Tennis	13, 27/6, 4/11/7/17 **No Club 20/6 due to Tennis Cluster Tournament**	Years 1 - 3
Wednesday	3.15 – 4.15	Sportscool	21/6/17 – 19/7/17	Years Rec - 6
Thursday	3.15 – 4.15	Gardening Club	15 th , 22 nd & 29 th June	Years 3 - 6

ADDITIONAL NEWS!

Blue Light Torch

Fred and Bill Palmer Davis were involved last week with Lancashire Constabulary as they welcomed the 'Our Blue Light Torch' that is touring the North of England from April to September. The torch was taken on a tour around the county visiting as many stations and landmarks as possible. Travelling from Morecambe to Clitheroe across all three divisions over three days, it has covered over 150 miles, by bike, boat, horse, car and on foot, taking with it the message that it's ok to not be ok, and that there really is no longer a stigma around mental health.

Well done boys— a great achievement for a really great cause!



Council for British Archaeology

I'm writing from the Council for British Archaeology's nationwide Young Archaeologists' Club (www.yac-uk.org) Every year we organise amazing competitions for young people aged 8–16 to win the opportunity to spend a day working alongside archaeologists on a real excavation. This year one of our sites is the amazing Roman fort at Ribchester near Preston in Lancashire. Our winners will be working with an archaeological team from the University of Central Lancashire on Saturday 8 July.

It would be fantastic if you could let your pupils know about this amazing opportunity to get their hands dirty doing real archaeology – who knows what exciting archaeology our winners will uncover?!

You can find out more about the competition and how to enter at www.yac-uk.org/news/dig-it-with-yac-at-ribchester-roman-fort Please do share the link and encourage your pupils to enter. The closing date is Sunday 25th June.

All our winners will also receive an amazing haversack of archaeological tools from our friends at the archaeological tool suppliers Past Horizons, and the opportunity to write for the YAC website.

If you would like more information about the competition or how your school can get involved with the Young Archaeologists' Club, do please get in touch.

By Young Archaeologists' Club

CLASS 4 - REQUEST FOR DONATIONS

Class 4 are currently taking part in The Archbishop Young Leader Award and are very keen to act out their Christian Values in a practical way. Class 4 children have therefore chosen to be ambassadors for Southport Foodbank, they would like to collect items over the next few weeks which they will hand deliver to the foodbank this half term. Foodbank often runs short of; long life orange juice - 1 litre, coffee long life milk - 1 litre, rice pudding, dried rice, tins of cold meat (e.g corned beef, ham), tins of tomatoes, cereal, tea, cook in sauces (donations of toiletries are also welcome including soap, shampoo, toothpaste and nappies). All donations will be welcome and greatly appreciated. Children can drop off their donations in Class 4 up until Thursday 20th July.

Many thanks from Year 6.