

# Bretherton Endowed Primary School

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

## Our Newsletter

DATE : 24th October 2017



### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

#### Improvements to our forest area in our school grounds

Mrs Hudson, Mrs Williams and our Class 1 team have been planning some improvements in our forest area on the edge of our school field. This is an exciting opportunity for Reception children but also all children in school who will be able to access this environment. Learning outdoors is great as it can develop the interests of different learning styles, build relationships, communication and build skills. Now in order to create this exciting area we would like to ask for donations of some essential items.

***Can you help with any of the following for our mud kitchen and construction area?***



Approximately 10 pallets; large bags of sand; large bag of bark; random bricks; large bag of pebbles and/or gravel; 6ft fence posts; 8 wooden sleepers; old sink; sieves and strainers; large metal spoons; rolling pins; wooden spoons; small pans, any old plant pots/ containers; digging equipment— trowels, forks.

#### Travelling Book Fair

Thank you for generously supporting our book fair. This will provide a good supply of books for every class in school, in particular KS2 with some contemporary and classic texts. Must say a **BIG** thank you to Mrs Vincent and Mrs Hudson for their hard work and time. The winner of our raffle was Maisie who chose books for herself and her brother— how lovely!

### *PTFA Update*

Our school is extremely fortunate to have such a dedicated and hard working PTFA. With many new and existing fun events in mind, we would warmly welcome everyone to our AGM tonight at 7.00pm.

Remember your child is most welcome to come and enjoy our PTFA Disco this Thursday 26/10

6.00-6.45pm Infant Disco  
7.00-8.00pm Junior Disco

Pay on the door—£2.00

Refreshments on sale on the night.

### *Thank You!*

Thank you to each family who completed the parental questionnaires. They are hugely important in ensuring we are getting it right. Some lovely comments, celebrating our amazing staff, high standards and family feel. We are always happy to receive your feedback and will be looking to put any suggestions into practice as soon as is possible. Thank you for your care, love and support and as always, our door is



### Dobroyd Castle—Online Payments

This is the first time using SchoolMoney for next year's residential trip. As this can be paid in instalments we would like to confirm that after the deposit and interim payments have been paid the remaining £220 is **NOT** due in full at once. The deadline is 2nd July 2018 but this can be paid in smaller amounts which will be managed by yourselves. When you log in you can change the £220 in the green box to whatever you are paying at that time. As long as the full payment is cleared by the 2nd July 2018 then this is fine. Please remember to still return the permission slip to the School Office as we need them to confirm you give permission for your child to participate. Thank you for your support with online payments.

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

# CELEBRATING SCHOOL LIFE

## New Website – same name different look

Our new website is designed as a one stop location for everything that you will need. I would like to highlight particular areas that you may find useful and it is available to view on both tablet, mobile phone and computer. We are excited to be able to share this with you and hope that you enjoy the extra information that we can provide.

- **To find out about clubs, important dates**—Please see ‘**View Calendar**’ on the home page below the map.
- **To find out about events** such as parents evening, class assemblies etc—Please see ‘**Our Events**’ at bottom of home page.
- **To read the blogs** to find out what your child is learning— Click on ‘**School Blogs**’ at top left of home page
- **To find links to learning games, news for your child’s class and also blogs**—Click on ‘**Classes**’ tab across the top of the home page and choose which class.
- **To find out about our curriculum or policies**— Click on ‘**Info**’ tab across the top of home page and choose.
- **To read copies of newsletters or letters including information on school meals**— Click on ‘**News**’ tab across top of home page
- **To give you updated information, remind you about things happening in school** we may add to the ‘**News**’ box at the bottom of the home page
- Our **Gallery** will show photographs from themed activities in school

We would love you to take a look and share your child’s learning with us. Children will shortly be receiving their own log on so that they can use the website to support our computing curriculum and we are excited to be able to support their knowledge and skills online. New photographs will be taken as soon as possible (we’re waiting for a good weather day!) ***If you would like any help accessing the information on the website, please let us know.***

## Parents evening

Parents Evening letters will be coming out soon where we look forward to updating you on your child’s progress and celebrating their achievements. Please indicate your preferred time and staff will try hard to match your requests with dates and times.

## New Autumn/Winter Dinner Menu

Lancashire Catering has a new Autumn and Winter menu commencing on 6th November. They have had some difficulties with the printing of the flyers so we will pass these to you as soon as we receive them. We keep to the Lancashire planned meals as much as possible but in fact offer a greater amount of fruit and vegetable options because we feel strongly about the choices the children have. Our ordering service now means that all children can order their first choice meal and you can discuss this with your child to ensure that they are ordering a meal you are happy with.

## Massage in school

This week we have experienced the **Massage in School** program as part of our health and wellbeing week. A letter explaining the program further will be brought home this week as this is an initiative that we feel will be of benefit to children ongoing after this week. An expert will be working in school for 6 weeks after the holidays to teach staff and children of the benefits.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me for further information.

## Congratulations

Well Done Archie for a brilliant performance in his Keyboard exam. Congratulations to Joseph for a superb result in his Singing exam.

*Go Grace!* In her Gymnastics, she is working towards national events.

Aaron has been offered Football opportunities with Blackburn Rovers.

**Please let me know your special achievements**

## DATES AND OTHER INFORMATION

### Remembrance Day

Our Ethos team is hosting a Remembrance Day Worship for parents and children on Thursday 9th November at 9.05am. If your family has any memories of the War, (grandparents or relatives) we would love your child to share them within the worship.

We would like to invite **ALL** children and their families to the Remembrance Day service this year (**Sunday 12th November at 10.15am**) at the Congregational Church as we would love to share this community experience together. We are hoping to sing our Remembrance song together.

Our Ethos team will also be **leading the 'Poppy Appeal'** where there will be poppies for a suggested donation of 20p & poppy bag clips for 50p. These will be available for sale at lunch times from 6th November 2017.

### Tommy is 80 Years Young!

On **6th November 2017**, we will be celebrating Tommy's 80th Birthday by coming into school in dressing up clothes—anything linked to 1937 or cricket. We will celebrate with a special lunch and an assembly and we hope that he will have a special day.

**Some ideas for dressing up are:** As Kings and Queens, Police, Fire and Ambulance for 999, any cartoon characters from The Dandy, any characters from Snow White and The Seven Dwarfs, dressed as a cricketer or even just dressed in multi-coloured clothes to depict sweets (he used to own a corner shop selling sweets in Bretherton).

### *THEME OF WORSHIP — Friendship*

***My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. John 15:12***

### REMINDERS

Could every child bring a coat with a hood please as we try and go outside in all weathers.

Relax Kids after school club flyers went out last week. It's a great opportunity for our children. Please check your child's bag for information. Contact the School Office if you require another copy.

Bretherton Cricket Club Annual Bonfire & Professional Fireworks Display—Friday 3rd November 2017. Contact Mrs Glew for bonfire night tickets & raffle tickets. Gate opens at 6.00pm.

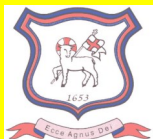
Toddlers every Friday in the School Hall—come along 9.15am—11.15am.

Bonfire Lunch—Monday 6th November 2017. This is open to the whole school so if you would like your child to participate please pay online.

Wednesday Wishes/Friday Favourites—details of new menu on attached flyer. Please pay online if your child would like to participate.

### Shoe Box Appeal

Again this year, the School Council would like to be involved in the collection of shoe boxes for the Shoe Box Appeal. The boxes will be available from the School Office and although we have a limited number provided, if you would like to help, feel free to send in any donations and we will ensure that they are donated to the Rotary Club. The shoe boxes will be collected by the Rotary Club on Monday 13th November 2017 if they could be sent into school by then please.



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## CLUBS

### 2nd HALF AUTUMN TERM 2017

DAY OF THE WEEK	TIME	CLUB	START AND END DATE	YEAR GROUPS
Monday	LUNCHTIME	Chess	6/11/17-18/12/17	Years 2-6
	3.15 – 4.15pm	Microscopes	6/11/17 – 27/11/17 (4 weeks)	Years 3,4,5 & 6
	3.15-4.15pm	Ju Jitsu	13/11/17 – 18/12/17	Whole School
Tuesday	3.20 – 4.20pm	Spanish	Ongoing *	All Years
	3.15 – 4.30pm	Art	Ongoing *	All Years
	3.15 – 4.15pm	Tennis	14/11/17-19/12/17 (No Tennis 7/11/17)	Years 1 - 3
Thursday	3.15-4.15pm	Relax Kids	7/11/17-12/12/17	Years 2-6
	3.15—4.15pm	Sewing	Ongoing *	Years 6

**\* Contact details if you would like your child to participate in these Clubs :**

Spanish : Mrs Alison Powell - 01772 816951

Art : Mrs Rosie Stanfield - 01772 601410

Tennis : Stuart Grice - 07709 816951