

# Bretherton Endowed CE Primary School Newsletter

23rd January 2018

## INFORMATION FOR PARENTS



### World Faith Week and Assembly

This week, Mrs Smith has organised a superb week focused on WORLD FAITHS. Throughout the week, we have invited visitors from the Pendle Faith Centre to share with children their faiths— Islam, Sikhism, Judaism, Christianity and Hinduism. Teachers will be enriching children's understanding through questions, links between religions through values and beliefs to develop an appreciation of our diverse world. Mr Whaite will be the first to work with all our classes on Monday, allowing children to think, question and express their understanding of Christian journeys. We would love you to be able to join us for a celebration of the week at our **assembly on Friday 26th January 2018 at 2.30pm.**

### Safer Internet Day Assembly 2018

Safer Internet Day this year is on **Tuesday 6th February** and Mrs Allchurch has arranged with the children an informative and fun **assembly at 9.00am which you are all invited to.** This year the message is "Create, Connect and Share Respect: A better internet starts with you" and the children will be highlighting how to show respect through online interactions. Safer Internet Day is celebrated globally each year to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people and inspire a national conversation. The day offers the opportunity to highlight positive uses of technology and to explore the role we all play in helping to create a better and safer online community. You can find out more about Safer Internet Day on [www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2018](http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2018). We hope that you will be able to join us.

### KS1 and KS2 SATs meeting for parents.

On **Tuesday 27th February**, in Class 4, we will be holding our KS2 SATS Information Meeting for parents of Year 6 children. This year the DFE have announced some changes to the expectations in relation to writing and have made some slight changes to the timetable for the week. The meeting will start after school at 3.30pm but the powerpoint and documents will be available on the website and paper if you are unable to make it so you have all the information.

On **Wednesday 28th February** at 3.30pm, in Class 2, we will be holding our KS1 SATS information meeting for parents of children in Year 2. There have been slight changes to writing expectations which we will outline along with the timetable.

We are fortunate to have the expertise of Mrs Williams in school, who will be an Early Years and KS1 Moderator for the Local Authority again this year.

### ***PTFA Update***

This week you will receive a letter detailing our prestigious 'Event' which the PTFA are holding on **Saturday 19th May 2018.** It is a special and enjoyable night and we would love you to join us so keep the date free. More information to follow.

Advance notification of a Fashion Show on Wednesday 28th February.

Our next meeting of the PTFA will be straight after school on **Tuesday 20th February 2018** in Class 4. **Everyone is welcome!**

### Sporting Fixtures

Congratulations to our Cricket Team who won their tournament last week. Thanks to Mrs Glew and Tommy Wilson for their hard work in training and preparation. They worked as a supportive and motivated team.

Good luck to our Year 3/4 Sports Hall Athletics team who have qualified in the top 12 schools so are in the final on Friday. Also well done to the year 5/6 team who came 13th and so narrowly missed out on the final. Great effort everyone!

Good luck Year 6 swimmers in the Tarleton swimming festival on Friday morning.

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

# DATES AND REMINDERS

## **THEME OF WORSHIP — Respect**

*'A good name is more desirable than great wealth. Respect is better than silver or gold.'* Proverb 22:1

### **Parent Governor Election Timetable**

Nomination form to be returned to Mrs Moxham by 12noon on Monday 29th January 2018.

Ballot papers to be sent to all parents on Monday 5th February 2018.

(Voting will only take place if there are more nominations than vacancies)

Ballot papers to be returned to Mrs Moxham by 12noon on Monday 19th February 2018.

The votes will be counted at 3.00pm on Monday 19th February 2018 after which the result will be announced.

### **PTFA Bingo**

Thank you to everyone who supported the PTFA Bingo on Thursday on a wintery night. We raised a amazing £260 so I would like to say thank you for your donations and support. Thanks to Mrs Hudson, staff and parents for their preparation and Tommy for being the best dressed bingo caller in the area.

### **Parking enforcement officers from the Local Authority**

We would like to share a letter we received from Lancashire Parking Services. They state that they will be undertaking targeted deployment of Civil Enforcement Officers to deter parking around schools at the beginning and the end of the school day. We would like to thank you for your careful and responsible parking.

### **Online Safety and Computing Education**

This year we launched a new website which has the facility to support our computing curriculum too. Our new website offers a pupil login with a number of features. It offers our pupils the chance to write blogs, have discussion pages, create online scrapbooks in a safe platform of a secure school website. For children and teens, social media is an essential part of their lives, much the way telephones were important to us at their age. When they go to high school, they will undoubtedly be using mobile phones, accessing some form of social media and possibly creating an online profile. As with many things, there are many advantages of this communication but there are also many potential concerns so we need to teach children how to use the internet wisely. All children will be identifiable by their own login and passwords and through computing lessons, we will teach them about how to interact with others in an online world; learn about responsibilities and behaviour online and develop an understanding of aspects of social media in a supported environment. At the moment we are offering this to Year 6 before rolling it out through KS2.

### **Bishop Philip's visit to school.**

We are pleased to announce that Bishop Philip will be coming to Bretherton to lead our worship on **Wednesday 21st March 2018 at 9.00am**. We would like to invite you to join us for our special visit.

### **Run around the World**

Thank you for having trainers in school for the start of our Run a mile initiative. Each class has a timetable for the children to run each week and we will be supporting everyone in setting challenging goals for health and fitness. Regularly, children will review their achievements and we are hoping to notch up the miles in order to 'Run the distance around the Earth'. The children are really looking forward to it.

### **Swimming at Tarleton**

Please see the letter attached regarding swimming lessons at Tarleton on a Monday, Tuesday and Thursday between 4:00pm and 6:00pm.

We have been advised of a netball opportunity for children in our area. Ask at the office for more details.

There are places available at **Spanish class on Tuesdays after school**. For further details contact Alison Powell on 01772 616188/07903 388433.

***Remember for all events, please check the calendar and events page on the website which also includes clubs and invitations to join us in school.***



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