

# Bretherton Endowed CE Primary School Newsletter

10th April 2018

## INFORMATION FOR PARENTS



### We Need You!

Could you be our next School Crossing Patrol Officer? At the end of this week, Mrs Hudson will be ceasing her role as our Crossing Patrol and to date there have been no applicants. The flyer is included should you or anyone you know be interested. We are unlikely to get cover as there are many vacancies in the area so **please take care when crossing in front of school from Monday 16th April.**



### Parental communication

Our newsletter, texts and website are all designed to provide information and dates that you need to plan for our events and find out about what is happening in school. Our next phase in the website roll out is the app that you can download onto your smart phone which will provide notifications of any news postings or blogs from our classes. The links are : [https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.schoolspider.schoolspider&hl=en\\_GB](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.schoolspider.schoolspider&hl=en_GB)  
<https://itunes.apple.com/gb/app/school-spider/id1030400910?mt=8>

### Unleash your creative side – ARTS WEEK 21st May

We are so excited to announce we are well under way in planning our Arts Creative week in the last week of this half term. We will be looking at all aspects of art, different mediums, creativity and practical applications of skills all week. There will be a letter coming out in the next couple of weeks but if you can support this in any way— please make a note of the dates. Do you have a creative skill that you can share with our children? Could you be an extra pair of hands when we get messy designers? Do you know anyone who could come into school to enhance our week?

### Learning Outside

Our forest area is nearly ready—Mrs Hudson and family have lovingly created a mud kitchen by upcycling a large wooden bobbin and our blue house is to be transformed into a writing shed for children. Our last stages are to layer the floor with bark and then use. We are excited to be able to use daily in Class 1 and for other classes to be able to access it through our Curriculum and Golden Time. Our front area of our playground will be transformed into a quiet seated and gardening area at the request of our children— somewhere they can sit, chat and socialise and snack.

### ***PTFA Update***

Thank you for all who attended the Easter Bingo, it was quieter than usual but managed to make over £300.

The PTFA are full systems ahead now for 'THE EVENT' plans and tickets are on sale now. There has been a flurry of demand for tickets already— please get your ticket requests in quick as they are going fast. Maybe arrange a table of your friends and family. I'll be a great night.

The next meeting will be held in Class 4 on TUESDAY 17th APRIL. We would love to see families from KS1 represented so we can ensure we can gather your ideas and improve communication about events.

### Swimming for Class 2

Well done to Class 2!— Class 2 started their swimming sessions well on Monday. Please remember to bring your swim kit, towel, swim hat and goggles (if provided a letter) every Monday. We are incredibly lucky to pay for additional swimming opportunities for children and it would be a shame to miss any sessions.



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

## Extra Information

### ***THEME OF WORSHIP — Courage***

*“Be strong and courageous, and do the work. Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the LORD God, my God, is with you. He will not fail you or forsake you until all the work for the service of the temple of the LORD is finished.”*

1 Chronicles 28:20

### **Reception Parent Questionnaires**

Each year at this time, we send out our parental questionnaire to our Reception parents to gather your views and feedback on your child's first few terms at Bretherton. We are always keen to find out about your child's and your experiences and see if we can improve any aspects of our practice. I would be grateful if you could **return the form by Friday 4th May** in the envelope provided. I appreciate that you are very busy, but the more questionnaires we receive, the greater the influence of change. However, if there are any aspects you would like to discuss in more detail, please feel free to come in and chat further. Thank you in advance for your responses. We are also planning our new induction evening for parents of children starting in September, so if you have any way we can improve this, please let me know.

### **Egg Rolling Champions**

Congratulations to the Egg rolling champions. The winners from each class are :

Reception: Georgiana Porter

Year 1: Huw Christie

Year 2: Austin Porter

Year 3: Tom Hadfield

Year 4: Emily Hadfield

Year 5: Thomas Gibbons

Year 6: Lauren Slater

Well done everyone, great effort.

### **Congratulations!**

Congratulations to Mrs & Mrs Christie and family on the birth of a healthy baby boy Aeron who was born on 27th March. We had two proud big brothers in school on our first day back, sharing photographs with us all.

Congratulations to Mrs Mezzzone-Taylor who completed her charity skydive in the holidays. What a major achievement but for all those who generously agreed to sponsor her—it is now time to hand over your donations. Well Done!

### **Reading Challenge**

Thank you to everyone who has taken part in our Reading Challenge. The deadline for your child to send in a photograph is Friday 13th April 2018 but please remember to put your child's name and class on the back. Mrs Clarke will be announcing the winners soon after.

### **Teddies to donate for Syria**

We are in the last 2 weeks for donated teddies for Syria. Please have a look in your bedrooms and see if you have one that you would like to donate for this worthy cause—it really could make someone's day!



## **DATES AND REMINDERS**

### **Music—Guitar**

Thank you to those children who are learning guitar. This has been a successful addition to Bretherton's creative enrichment and we can see their skills improving. Due to the numbers of children, we have been able to pass savings onto our families. With this in mind, please let us know if your child wants to change or cancel their sessions before the end of a half term, so any savings can be passed onto parents.

### **Big thank you....**

Thank you to Mr Palmer— Davies for giving up his time to prepare the Year 6 children for a Tag Rugby Competition. He has been teaching them the skills of the game and how to work well as a team.

### **Online Safety**

Thank you those who have already returned the slip to confirm you have discussed Agreement/Online Safety Rules. We still have a number outstanding who have been sent another letter and reminder text. Could we ask that if you have still not returned the slip could this be done as a matter of some importance? If you have any queries please do not hesitate to get in touch. Thank you.

### ***Reminders—Coming up soon***

- **16th April—Reception places for 2018 2019 letters out**
- **23rd April**—If your child would like to participate in the St. George's Day lunch please return the slip to school. Payment can be made online via SchoolMoney
- **Disco 26th April** for whole school. Key Stage 1 children 6.00-7.00. Key Stage 2 children 7.00– 8.00. Year 3 can choose whether to attend either. Tickets available before and a lucky dip and sweet stall will be available on the night.
- 3rd May, Adam Crowther will be in school to take sports and group photographs—watch out on our website for some great additions soon after.
- **7th May**—Bank Holiday Monday— school closed.
- **W/c 14th May 2018** will be Key Stage 2 SATs week for Year 6 and would like to remind children to bring in a bottle of water and their brains so they can 'Shine' like they always do.
- **19th May** 'The Event' our great social event which will be a great night of fundraising for our much needed laptops. Ticket request forms available from the School Office.
- **W/c 21st May** will be our ART's Week and our children will experience many aspects of art and design over the week with different mediums and artists building up to a gallery exhibition and assembly on the Friday afternoon.

### **Looking forward to the Summer Term 2018**

***Remember to check the calendar and events page on the website for clubs and invitations to join us in school .***

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