# Bretherton Endowed CE Primary School Newsletter

1st MARCH 2019

# **INFORMATION FOR PARENTS**

#### World Book Day

On **Friday 8th March**, we will be holding our very own **'Book Celebration Day'**. We would like to invite **children to come in to school as one of their favourite book characters**. In addition we would like them to bring a book review of their favourite book and/or a unique story that they have written so they can share these with their friends. We will be having a fun day immersing ourselves in all things literary—if you have any ideas of how you could enhance our day—feel free to come and let us know. It will also be World Book Day Lunch which can be ordered on the day. (Please note the date change from 7th March on printed calendar)

#### Reduce, Recycle and Reuse our books

In the spirit of our wish to 'Make a Difference' we would like to invite you to **reduce** the number of used reading books in your house, you know the ones that you've read many, many times and that you keep just in case. We would like to encourage you to **recycle them** by bringing them into school on or in the week of 'World Book Day' so that we can host a recycled library book stall and then each child could take one to read on the day. This is a great way of **reusing** the books for a new audience and if you are happy to have a general clearout please feel free to donate a bag full as any that we cannot use in school, we will donate to International Aid charity shop so they can find families all over the world who may benefit from them.

#### Reminders to keep you and your child safe whilst on school premises

#### Car park

For the safety of children and staff, only staff will be able to park in the car park. We are increasingly concerned about children playing near the cars and cars accessing the car park at the start and end of day. The car park is available for children attending the HUB and after school clubs but will be closed 8.30 –9.30 and 2.30–3.30. For everyone's safety, please do not park in the car park for the usual drop off and collection.

#### Class 1 collection entrance

Thank you for adapting to the change of entrance and drop off for class 1 through the hall doors. It is a great area for parents to catch up with each other and for you to have a quick chat with staff. However, please take care to supervise your child as the area of grass at the front of the hall is near the car park and we want to ensure everyone is safe in our grounds.

#### The HUB door

I know you will agree that the hall doors and HUB doorbell are working well as they allow the HUB to go about their business whilst being able to respond when you arrive. Could we remind everyone that only school staff should open the door —please do not leave the door open to let adults in the building.

#### British Values at Bretherton

I have attached information regarding British Values to this newsletter as this half term, the children will continue to develop their understanding of the Key British Values and their links within our values and citizenship. This will be underpinned by real life opportunities such as a visit from Seema Kennedy to answer questions on 'Democracy' and we have already had visits from the Police to look at the 'Rule of Law'.

Information from Blackburn Diocese - Mosques Open Day this Sunday

On Sunday this week, the Muslim council of Mosques are holding open days for people in the area to visit mosques. This is a really good opportunity to build understanding of other world faiths. There will be a number of mosques open in our diocese in Preston, Blackburn and East Lancashire from around 11am to 6pm on Sunday. All will be welcomed. See website for more information. <u>https://www.visitmymosque.org/</u>



# PTFA Update

Please note that our next meeting is on 25th March straight after school. Our fantastic Beetle Drive took place this week and can't wait to plan for our Easter Egg Bingo and Lovely Mother's Day Afternoon Tea. Thank you for supporting our events—many of which are planned for the social and fun aspect whilst raising much needed funds for school. We have over £3500 saved towards the new set of 16 iPads for school and will hopefully reach our target of £5000 by summer. If you can help us in any way with match funding, ideas for fund raising or companies who may be able to help us, we would love to hear from you.

Looking forward to seeing you at all the great events—Don't forget your non uniform day on Thursday 21/3/19 for donations of chocolate for our Easter Egg Bingo on Thursday 28/3/19.

### **TWITTER for school**

For those of you on Twitter, to keep you right up to date with the great learning and sporting opportunities we have our twitter feed @BrethertonEP



Remember our door is always open— contact us on bursar@bretherton.lancs.sch.uk or 01772 600431 to arrange a chat



# **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

#### THEME OF WORSHIP—Forgiveness

"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."

Ephesians 4:31-32

#### EASTER Fun for the whole school

Just to give you advanced notification of Easter fun that will happen this half term. We are holding the following: 4th April Egg rolling—best decorated egg competition 5th April Easter Bonnet's to be brought into school for bonnet parade. A letter to follow soon

#### Visit from Cllr Iddon

Well done Year 6 ambassadors who represented the school in a meeting with Cllr Iddon to discuss the traffic and speed outside school. He was extremely impressed by their video highlighting their cause and their proposals. He emailed to say that he could sense their passion and they were a real credit to you and school. He is due back in a couple of weeks to update us on the action plan we created.

#### **Growth Mindset**

Your children may have come home talking about displaying a 'growth mindset'. We are focusing on how their brain works in order to facilitate learning. The power of positivity, praising effort and setting goals is being taught in specific lessons and the language linking to Growth Mindset is being used by staff and pupils alike. We will be producing a parent leaflet later this term but for now a **final** word .....from Carol Dweck herself "If parents want to give their children a gift, the best thing they can do is to teach their children to love challenges, be intrigued by mistakes, enjoy effort, and keep on learning."

#### Young Voices—Amazing!

Thank you to our parents and children who supported the Young Voices Concert in Manchester just before the half term. It was an amazing night with thousands of children gathering to share one voice. Thanks to Mrs Clarke, Mrs Williams, Mrs Glew and Mrs Barratt for giving up their time in choir rehearsals and on the day. Have a look at the website for the gallery of the night. <a href="http://www.brethertonschool.org.uk/work/young-voices/44608">http://www.brethertonschool.org.uk/work/young-voices/44608</a>

#### The HUB Holiday Club



Thank you to those children and parents who attended our Holiday Club over the half term. The children said they had a great day with their friends and had the opportunity to code and participate in other fantastic activities. In order to host the club we need to ensure that we have a minimum number of places booked. This holiday club we didn't meet the minimum but decided to run it to support parents who may need it now and in the future. We need your help to support this if you feel that offering a club at school is a worthwhile venture. If you have any ideas to support the initiative, please do not hesitate to speak to Alison Moxham or Kelly Quinn.

#### Class 3 visit GA Foods

The children in class 3 went to visit GA Foods in Bretherton to find out about their processes, environmental and geographical features and the production of their pet food. They had a great morning walking around the huge site and had lots of information to share. To find out more , please look at the blogs for more information.

#### Parent's Reading Workshop

Thank you for all parents and friends of school who participated in our Reading workshop– it was a fantastic turn out. Mrs Clarke gave a whistle stop tour of how we teach reading in school and how you can help at home and then parents and children were reunited in a great storytelling session. We are thrilled that you are finding our sessions informative and useful in supporting your child's education and for those who were unable to attend, please click on the following link to access the resources. <u>http://</u>www.brethertonschool.org.uk/work/fantastic-reading-workshop-for-parents-jan-19/44674

#### **Online safety filtering for home**

As part of our commitment to support you in keeping your child safe online, I have found some websites that can help parents with their filtering and parental controls at home. If you need any support in this, please do not hesitate to contact school but these websites contains much of the information you need to set up parental controls on your internet and hardware.<u>https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/</u>

https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers/parental-controls-offered-your-home-internet-provider

#### **SchoolMoney Passwords**

The facility to change your password is now available on SchoolMoney when paying online for dinner money, The HUB, Trips, etc. See attached information.

## DATES FOR DIARY/CLUBS INFORMATION

#### <u>March</u>

Wednesday 6th	KS1 SATS Meeting—3.20pm Class 2		
	Tarleton Performing Arts Festival		
Thursday 7th	Class 3 Worship—9.05am		
Friday 8th	World Book Day (please note this has changed from Thursday 7/3 as on printed calendar)		
	World Book Day Lunch—can be booked on the day		
Wednesday 13th	Class 4 Trip to Stockport Air Raid Shelters		
	KS2 SATS Meeting—3.30pm Class 4		
Friday 15th	Red Nose Day		
Thursday 21st	Non Uniform Day—donations of chocolate for PTFA Easter Bingo		
Thursday 28th	PTFA Easter Bingo—food served 5.15pm, eyes down 6.00pm		
Friday 29th	Mother's Day Afternoon Tea (after school)		

#### Additional Dates for Class Worship

Thursday 21st March	Class 4 Worship—9.05am
Thursday 4th April	Class 1 Worship—9.05am
Thursday 27th June	Class 2 Worship—9.05am

# CLUBS – 1<sup>st</sup> HALF SUMMER TERM 2019

NAME OF CLUB	YEAR GROUP	DAY	TIME	DATES
Fencing	3-6	Thursdays	3.15-4.15pm	28/2-28/3/19 (5 weeks)
Kids Photography	Whole School	Wednesdays	3.15-4.15pm	27/2-3/4/19 (6 weeks)
S7 Superhero Club	Whole School	Wednesdays	3.15-4.15pm	6/3-3/4/19 (5 weeks)
Sewing (Ongoing)	Year 6	Mondays	3.15-4.15pm	Ongoing

## **REGULAR PRIVATE PROVIDER CLUB INFORMATION**

Contact details if you would like for your child to participate :

CLUB	DAY	TIME	CONTACT DETAILS
TENNIS	Tuesday	3.15-4.15pm	Stuart Grice—07709 816951
ART	Tuesday	3.15-4.15pm	Rosie Stanfield—01772 601410
SPANISH	Tuesday	3.15-4.15pm	Alison Powell—01772 616188
JUJITSU	Monday	3.15-4.15pm	Shaun McCabe—07808 536688



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