## Bretherton Endowed CE Primary School Newsletter

12th July 2019



## **INFORMATION FOR PARENTS**

#### **School End of Year Reports and SATs Results**

This week your child has brought home their school reports. I would like to thank staff for their hard work in writing and collating the information to produce such individual and comprehensive reports. I would be grateful if you could complete the feedback form that accompanies the report as it helps provide valuable feedback to our teachers and school.

If your child has received their SAT's results this week, I have attached a document from the DFE which aims to explain in more detail the terminology of the SATs results in case you would like further information. Phonic assessment and EYFS data have been shared with parents this week also. Please see accompanying letter with all our results.

#### **Moving Up Day**

Our children had their move up day on July 11th for a full day. During this day, they got to know their teacher and looked at pupil voice groups applications such as Ethos, School Council and Eco. We are excited to walk with your children on this journey through school and we are certain that they are excited to find out about the structure for next year, however if your child has any concerns or worries, please do not hesitate to contact their class teacher.

## This year's staffing will remain largely unchanged as follows:

**CLASS 1:** Mrs Williams, Mrs Barratt and Mrs Hudson with occasional support from Mrs A Williams

CLASS 2: Mrs Clarke, Miss Hymers, Mrs Brindle and Mrs A Williams

CLASS 3: Mrs Allchurch, Miss Hymers, Mrs Vincent, Mrs Buffey and Mrs Glew

**CLASS 4:** Mrs Smith, (Mrs Rowley on maternity leave)

#### Brass—Class 3

Class 3's last Music Tuition will be on Tuesday 16th July and all instruments will be collected in for a clean and any repairs pending the new term in September. Thank you for children in Year 5 for their fantastic commitment to Brass over the last 2 years— we are so fortunate to be able to pay for this enhanced music tuition (12 months longer than most other schools). If they would like to continue their musical lessons, they could apply to pay for private tuition along with other children in school for a cost of £5 per week which includes instrument hire and a 30 minute lesson. The first £30 is to be prepaid but after that payment is in arrears for the lessons they have. Year 4 will continue with brass lessons for another year and Year 3 once moved into year 4 will commence in September. So to recap, please ensure that.........

ALL instruments should be brought in on Tuesday 16th July

## PTFA Update

Thank you for supporting Sports day

– the total that was raised on the
day was £1356 and so overall this
year, your generous donations and
support has helped the PTFA raise
over £5000!! This is a fabulous
achievement and means that we are
able to purchase another 16 iPads
and trolley for use by the whole
school!

## A HUGE thank you.

Please don't forget to ask at work whether your company will 'Match Fund' fundraising initiatives as this can make a huge difference to the amount we can raise.

# WE REALLY NEED YOUR SUPPORT!

Bretherton PTFA members are fantastic and work really hard but we always need more families to help organise, plan, bake, inspire and man the events so if you can help this brilliant team further—please don't be shy and 'friend' their Facebook page to be kept up to date with meetings and events.

## 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



## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

## **THEME OF WORSHIP** — Peace

John 14:27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid

#### Website questionnaires

Please could I encourage you to log into the Parents Area of the Website and complete 'The HUB' Parent Questionnaire that is awaiting your completion. It is important that we can gather your views on a number of various topics from our provision, subjects, after school activities and clubs, uniform and homework and the opportunity to use a quick and easy resource such as the website can save paper, offer convenience to you as they can be completed in a matter of minutes and ensure that we are gathering a representative view of all our parents. From next year, this area of the website will be used more to communicate with you directly and keep you up to date so it is important that you feel confident in using it. You can log in through the parent box at the top or if you have a school spider app on your smart phone, you can complete the questions, receive updates and texts directly to your mobile—quick and easy and very efficient.

#### **Production of 'Hood'**

Class 3 and 4 have been performing well in their end of year production 'HOOD'. There were some great characters and superb dances. Tickets went down well and I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who supported it and the raffle than accompanied it for the PTFA fundraising—much appreciated. Photographs are available of your child in costume both individually and collectively in their scenes. There is a minimum spend but please feel free to join together in ordering them as they are marvellous keepsakes but if we can share the cost, even better.

#### **Parking and Road Safety**

I am having to write again to remind you to park safely as you drop off and collect your child from school. It is very important to keep you, your child and your car safe that we do not park on both sizes of South Road. There is parking readily available at the Church car park and waste ground near the Chapel—please can you take care, avoid rushing and park sensibly so that everyone can be safe. We have had reported that a number of vehicles have been scratched, damaged and lost wing mirrors as a result of poor parking and speeding vehicles travelling past school. I have attached a public information leaflet for your information on how to keep your child safe near the roads.

#### **Congratulations**

Congratulations to Oscar and Lucas Hughes for raising over £110 for our sponsorship event. This will enable us to buy a set of reading books for your class. This was a great achievement from a couple of our youngest children. Congratulations to all our pupils who entered the 'Cluster Althletics' event last week. A marvellous effort with talented runners and many track events. We came first in small schools by only 6 points—well done all! Congratulations to Alex, Year 4 for being awarded his 250 reads badge and certificate.

#### **Bretherton's Got Talent Show is at Golden Time next Friday**

We cannot wait until Golden Time on 19th July when children will perform their 'Talents' in front of their friends with the aim of winning one of 2 trophies. There will be a Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 winner. It will be great to see their acts as many of them have been practicing at lunch times to perfect them.

#### **Feoffee day and Award Winners**

Congratulations on our first Feoffee Day for a good while and thank you to the Feoffess for providing a party lunch and sharing in our special Worship. Well done to Arianna and Thomas for acting out the history of our school so well and all the children who were involved in making the assembly such a celebration of thanks, in particular Class 3 brass and the choir. You were brilliant and a thoroughly good time was had by all. Congratulations to Archie for being awarded the Feoffee Maths Award and Thomas for being Awarded the Sue Dean English Award.

#### **Hot weather**

Please remember we're expected to have another HOT couple of weeks. Please ensure that your children apply sun cream before coming into school, wear sun hats/caps and have a reusable water bottle in school. Water is available from our water fountain and we are encouraging children to fill up their bottle each break time and lunch time.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### **Volunteers**

It is at this time of year we are looking to recruit anyone who would like to volunteer and spend time in school supporting teaching and learning. We are always looking for individuals who would be willing to come in regularly to read with children, even an hour a week can make such a difference. We would welcome anyone who would like to work in class 1 collating work in our learning journals and if you are interested in a career working with children, we would welcome you into school to support in our pre-school sessions on Thursday afternoons. All volunteers will be asked to complete an online 'DBS' and have the necessary clearance to work with children and we will offer support and guidance in the role. We are so fortunate to have a great team of volunteers and we really couldn't be as effective as we are without your help and support.

#### **Transport to sporting events**

We are currently undergoing a Health and Safety review and I would like to draw your attention to an area that we feel we may need to develop. When we arrange sporting events, we ask for parents to be available to transport their child to the event and if not stay, to collect at the end. We appreciate that on occasions due to work commitments this may not always be possible and school staff will try and step in. However, we really need your help by car pooling and by parents arranging to share lifts between them where possible. This will ensure that we can continue to access the wide range of sporting events we currently participate in. Thank you for all parents and friends who have helped throughout the year— You've been superstars!

## <u>Update to our Whole School Development Plan</u>

Please find attached to this newsletter an update to our whole school development plan this year. It never ceases to amaze me how Bretherton school, staff and pupils can change, evolve and improve over a year and I am thrilled with what we can achieve together. My end of year letter to parents will give a reflective evaluation of the year just past and an overview of the year to come and highlight some key areas we will be looking at. If you have any advice or comments on any of this information, please do not hesitate to call in for a chat.

#### **Walking Day**

Walking Day on Sunday was a great success. The sun came out for our amazing Bretherton School Morris Dancers who danced outside the church and down to the Congregational Church. Thank you to parents and children and staff who came to share this special Bretherton service with us. Check out the gallery on the website for pictures and more information.

#### The HUB Holiday Club dates

Due to popular demand we have decided to open up the HUB for 3 days at the start of the school holidays. So we will be offering Holiday Fun Days on Wednesday 23rd, Thursday 24th and Friday 25th July 8.00am-4.00pm. We will provide drinks and snacks but would ask that your child comes into school with a packed lunch for each day. If you would like to sign onto any or all of these sessions, please don't delay and email thehub@bretherton.lancs.sch.uk or call and/or text on 07957302125.

#### **Guitar in school**

If anyone has a child's guitar could they please return it to the school office by <u>Friday 19th July 2019</u> as we seem to be missing two guitars.

#### **School Rucksacks**

Some time next week we are expecting a small supply of our new, more sturdier School Rucksacks that have two zipped compartments as well as a small velcro pencil case and net on the outside to accommodate a water bottle. As soon as they arrive we will text all parents of this. They are priced at £12.50 but if required we do have a number of the old ones which are £8.50.

#### The HUB Out of School Assistant Vacancy

From 1st September 2019 we will have a vacancy for a Out of School Assistant for 5½ hours per week 3.15-6.00pm for 2 nights of which one will likely be a Wednesday. If you know anyone who may be interested please contact school on 01772 600431 or email head@bretherton.lancs.sch.uk

#### **End of term**

School will close at 3.15pm on Tuesday 23rd July 2019 with Year 6 leavers parading around the playground under the 'bridge of arms' of the other children. Feel free to come and share this with us at 3.05pm.

## DATES FOR DIARY/CLUBS INFORMATION

<u>July</u>

Tuesday 16th Year 6 Trip to Southport
Thursday 18th Leavers Disco—Juniors Only

Friday 19th Leavers School Lunch—Whole School (can be ordered on the day)

Tuesday 23rd Leavers Assembly—9.15am Congregational Church

School Closes: 3.15pm

## **REMINDER**

If your child will be in Class 3 (Yr 4/5) in September and is interested in Brass Band Club please remember to send in slip and payment before we finish for the Summer.

## **CLUBS – 1st HALF AUTUMN TERM 2019**

NAME OF CLUB	YEAR GROUP	DAY	TIME	DATES
Brass Band Club	Class 3 + Private Tuition Pupils	Tuesdays	3.15-4.15pm	10/9-15/10/19 (6 weeks)
Zumba Dance Club*	Whole School	Wednesdays	3.15-4.15pm	18/9-16/10/19 (5 weeks)

<sup>\*</sup> Assembly will take place on Tuesday 10th September where flyers will be sent home

## REGULAR PRIVATE PROVIDER CLUB INFORMATION

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

#### **CLUBS BELOW RECOMMENCE WEEK COMMENCING 9th SEPTEMBER 2019**

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