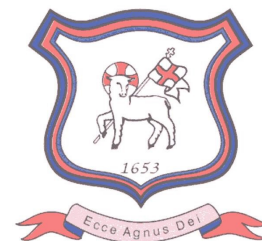


# Bretherton Endowed CE Primary School Newsletter

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## INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the second half of our Spring term. Shame about the rain and wind welcoming us back to school but we haven't let this stop us from having a busy week.

### Parent Forum Meetings 2022

Thank you for those parents who fed into the parent forum on the events or leading up to it. Your suggestions are always welcome and it was lovely to hear your experiences. I will collate a summary of the feedback to share with you and my next steps. You may find some of the suggestions in this newsletter to help communication. Thank you to our governors for attending, it was great that you could hear about school first hand.

### Ground works

Apologies for the inconvenience of the groundworks not being completed over the half term -- the weather was against the contractors all week. Class 1 and the Hub will resume drop off and collection at the hall door from Monday. We are excited to get the rainwater planters, water walls, outside classroom and rain gardens completed over the next few weeks.

Thank you to the Feoffees who have financed refurbishing our lighting in class 1 and the corridor. This will be completed at Easter.

### Choir event

Can we ask parents of members of the choir to keep the evening of the 17th March free for a Performing Arts Festival held at Tarleton Academy on behalf of the TARDIS cluster of schools. We will be sending more details out soon.

### Commonwealth Baton Relay

Stay around to wave off the representatives from Bretherton as they leave school and pass the commonwealth baton to Tarleton Holy Trinity on Monday 28th February 8.55.

### 3D Printer

We are fortunate to be chosen to receive a 3D Printer from DATA (Design and Technology Association) for a half term so that we can enrich our curriculum. We can't wait to teach children how they are being used in many aspects of life and inspire STEM careers.

### Eggs and Incubator

Class 1 would love to incubate and hatch eggs for their topic this term. Can you help with an incubator or do you know someone who can? We don't have the funds to purchase our own at this time, so we were hoping that someone may be able to help. Let the school office know if you can.

### 1 to 1 Devices

Class 2 children who have signed up for the scheme can start collecting their devices. Thank you for supporting it.

We would like to advise you that children are not allowed to use a personal profile in school. They must be signed into their @bretherton.lancs.sch.uk account as this is managed by school and has additional policies to restrict or filter content. I would encourage you to ensure they do this at home also. Many children won't know how to do this but keeping children safe online is important and appreciate your help to enforce this. We will be contacting parents of anyone found to be using a private profile in school.

## PTFA

We are looking forward to our Mother's Day afternoon tea on 25th March after school and for those parents who have never been to one, check out the PTFA page on the website for great pictures.

We hope that you are able to support the PTFA at the next meeting on Monday 28th February

**We need you!**

## IMPORTANT DATES

28th February Commonwealth baton relay  
1st March Lancashire Cricket in school  
1st March 3.30 Hothersall Lodge parent meeting for class 3  
4th March World Book Day  
8th March—KS2 sportshall athletics final  
8th and 10th March Parents Evening  
9th March Class 3 assembly 9.05  
14th—16th March Year 6 Robinwood trip  
17th March Performing Arts Festival at Tarleton for the choir  
18th March—Non uniform Day for chocolate for Easter Bingo  
21st March Rogan Mills Poetry workshop  
22nd March Yogi mindfulness visitor  
23rd March Class 1 assembly 9.05  
24th March 9.05 Year 6 Robinwood assembly  
25th March Mothers Day afternoon Tea  
28th March Easter Service 9.30 St John's  
30th March Egg rolling in school  
30th March Easter Bingo

**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**

## FURTHER INFORMATION

### Reminders

#### Parents Evening

Parents evening has been planned for **March 8th 4.00-6.30 and March 10th 3.30—5.30**. We would like to resume face to face appointments booked through our school website. The meetings will be for 5 minutes (10 minutes for Year 6) and at our Spring parents evening, we will share strengths and also areas we are working on. Our starting points for all children is what do they know and can apply securely. We are aware nationally that there are some gaps in children's learning so we plan to outline whether your child is working within their current year group learning and if not, what we are doing to support them if they are finding any aspects of work a challenge. We are keen to work with you on any development areas whilst offering them a full and enriched curriculum offer. The booking slots will open after half term.

#### Hothersall Lodge meeting for class 3 parents.

Class 3 parents are invited to attend a meeting to outline our one night residential to Hothersall Lodge on **Tuesday 1st March 2022** at 3.30 in Class 3. If you are unable to make it, please note the powerpoint will be available on the website and documents sent home. We will lightly touch on the year 4 statutory multiplication test set for June for Year 4 parents at the end.

#### World Book Day

Just to let you know that we would like to invite your child to dress up as a book character for World Book Day on **Friday 4th March 2022**. Please don't think this needs to be an expensive, bought costume— there are many characters and it can be any fictional character. It is also World History Day the day after so if any child would rather come as a figure from history that would be found in a non fiction book, that would be great too as it would encourage reading in a range of texts and sources. The children can bring their book in on the day and share the story/information with their class. Please see the letter accompanying this newsletter for a special challenge for children to participate in.

### What's been going on?

#### Diversity through Art

On Wednesday our school council members and some of our younger children got the opportunity to work with Cultural Education when they came in to create art work linked to diversity and equality. The year 6 supported the younger children and have created a video that we will share soon highlighting why diversity and understanding is so important for peace in the world. The art work will be on display in the school hall soon.

#### Fun run in pyjamas

Thanks to Sophia and Freya in Year 6 for organising the charity fun run today for Alzheimer's and Animal Welfare institute. It was fun watching children run around in their Pyjamas/ onsies Thank you for donating the entry fee as all money raised will be split between the two worthwhile causes.

#### Class 2 Dance Lessons

As part of our commitment to The Arts, class 2 are learning with a dance teacher in school each Wednesday until Easter to choreograph, rehearse a class dance for a virtual dance competition. They really enjoyed the first one this week.

#### Golf sessions and trip

Thank you to Mere Brow Golf academy for providing 6 weeks of Golf coaching ending with a superb visit to their setting on Tuesday. Class 3 have been SUPERB in their behaviour and have thoroughly embraced the challenge of a new sport and we have seen some talent. Watch this space for more Golf taught in school.

#### Cricket

Last Saturday, we braved the sleet and wind to compete in an indoor cricket competition at Parklands school. Pitching against club cricket teams, we showed Bretherton resilience and determination improving across both of our matches in batting, bowling and fielding. Heads stayed high as we encouraged each other to be the best we can be, though we didn't win, definitely a team to be proud of.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

Our value this term is Compassion  
The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love  
Psalm 145:8

### CURRENT AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS THIS HALF TERM

CLUB	Day	Contact Details
JuJitsu	Mondays	Nippon UK : 01772 497838
Bingo	Monday 3.25-4.15pm	School Office: 01772 600431
Spanish	Tuesdays	Alison Powell : 01704 620817/07903 388433
Tennis	Tuesdays	Stuart Grice : 07709 816951
Computing	Thursday 3.15-4.15	School Office : 01772 600431
Art	Thursdays	Rosie Stanfield : 01772 601410/07534 369861

**NOTE : Spanish is looking to recruit new children so if your child would like to learn a new language, please contact Mrs Powell on the above number.**