

# Bretherton Endowed CE Primary School Newsletter

26th APRIL 2019



## INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Welcome back to school for the Summer Term. This is a term full of optimism and excitement for the future which for Year 6 is also coupled with time for reflection on their time at Bretherton. I hope that you all had a enjoyable Easter break, enjoying the sunshine and relaxation time with the family and made the most of the early summer sun.

### Parents Evening

Thank you to all parents who attended our new Parents Evening before Easter. We hope that you found it informative and it gave you the opportunity to celebrate your children's hard work in their books. Please don't forget that our door is open all year, not just Parents Evening for you to chat to your child's teacher about their experiences at school.



### Pre School

We are incredibly proud of the Pre School sessions that we run on Thursdays 1.30—3.00pm and at this time of year, the children are preparing to spend more time in the reception classroom so they are prepared for their September start to school. If you know any children who may wish to attend our Pre School, please ask them to contact the School Office to put their name down and we will send them the information for September start.

### Available school places

We often get parents visiting school looking for places for their children saying that they hadn't contacted us earlier about a place as they thought that we would be full. This is usually the case but there are occasions when we do have places available in some year groups. At the moment we have 2 places in Year 3. If you know of any families moving into the area or who may wish to look around school before applying to school, please let them know. It is no wonder with the excellent teaching and learning experiences, that we get such enquiries so it is wonderful if we have got the places to fill them.

### Reception Places for September 2019

All our letters for reception places have gone out this week and we await their confirmation of places. Congratulations to our Bretherton families who have siblings coming—we are very excited to see you soon. It is lovely to see names from our Pre School on the list too—it's amazing how well they fit in to school life already. We are excited to meet our new parents and explain our new starter process at our parents meeting on Thursday 23rd May 2019 at 6.00pm. Choosing the right school for your child can be a difficult decision and so we would like to thank everyone who took the time to look around and who has chosen to join us. Because of this, I thought I would remind you that there is still time for children to be added to our waiting list and it can be done by ringing the Pupil Admissions Team on 01772 532191. Exciting times!

## *PTFA Update*

### 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.

Find them on :

***Bretherton Endowed PTFA***

## **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](mailto:bursar@bretherton.lancs.sch.uk)

or 01772 600431 to arrange a chat

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### THEME OF WORSHIP — Perseverance

Perseverance is vital to growing in your faith; God wants his people to persevere so we have to overcome obstacles, difficulties, trials and tribulations to experience victory in Christ.

#### Can you offer a room for Swiss teaching students?

We have been asked whether we can accept two Swiss students in school to support their teacher training and we would require host families with a spare room that could offer a home to one or both of the students 23rd June to 6th July 2019. If you think that you can help, please contact the School Office. In the past, their time in school has been beneficial not only to their education but also to our children's language education and knowledge of education systems around the world.

#### Thank you Class 1

Thank you to Class 1, children and staff for their lovely Easter worship in the last week of term. It was really uplifting and the children read and performed the real message of Easter so well. Thank you for sharing this with us.



#### Reception class needs your help

Preparing for learning outside, they are looking for an old child's cycle that they can 'tinker' with and they require 4 pallets in good condition to create a seating area in their outside space (a great upcycling project).

#### New arrival

Welcome to a baby sister Phoebe weighing 4lb 11oz for Oliver Dollard in Class 1 and family. We send them all our best wishes on their new arrival.

#### Summer uniform

With the start of the Summer term, it has been lovely to see those summer dresses and shorts being worn. Please remember that the Summer uniform of light blue gingham dress and shorts don't have to be worn, but can be this term if your child would prefer. As the weather can be unpredictable, we would like to ask that children bring a light waterproof coat into school EVERY day so that we can still be outside even in an unexpected rain shower.

#### Bretherton Blast and PE Kits in school

Please can we remind you to have your PE kit and trainers in school every day. We are building our fitness into active lessons but are finding that an increasing number of children don't have their kit or trainers in school. Our Bretherton Blast mile should only take 15 minutes out of the school day but sadly when children have to borrow kit, it can take much longer. If your child is going to an after school sporting activity (eg. Multisports/Tennis etc), we would encourage them to wear their school PE kit, to reduce the number of bags being brought into school—sadly we really don't have the room.

#### Safeguarding Training at Bretherton

Our staff, Governors and volunteers completed our annual refresher course looking at Safeguarding Children In Education this week and so I thought we would take the opportunity to remind you of our commitment to keeping children safe in school. I have enclosed a copy of our parent safeguarding brochure (paper copies are available from the School Office) and raise your awareness of this important area. Our Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy is available online if you wish to find out more.



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## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

### **Class and Group Photographs**

Just to advise you that MyFoto will be in school on **Thursday 2nd May 2019** to take class and group photographs and he will be taking some photographs of children learning and enjoying activities within school to update our website. We would appreciate if children could have their **jumper/cardigans** in school that day.

### **New Parents meeting**

On Thursday 23rd May 2019 at 6.00pm, we will be holding our parents meeting for the parents of the reception children who are starting with us in September. It is such an exciting time in preparation for their child's educational journey and we feel incredibly privileged to welcome them to our fabulous school.

### **Local Authority Moderation**

Mrs Williams and I have been appointed again for this year EYFS/KS1 and KS2 moderators for Lancashire Education Authority. We are pleased to be able to share our expertise and support other schools in their teacher assessment judgements.

### **Sports Day reminder**

We will soon be marking out on our field the Sports Day markings as our first attempt will be held on Friday 21st June and we will be holding the PTFA's great fun Summer Fair straight after. Children will be practicing in the last week of this half term as we have another health, fitness and wellbeing week. Just to remind you that Sports Day commences at 1.15pm and it is a great day that parents, family and friends can spend with us, celebrating our children's sporting achievements and successes along with their determination, courage and friendships.

### **Class 2 Assembly reminder**

Note to keep the date free for Thursday 27th June for Class 2 Assembly. Commencing at 9.05am it will be a lovely worship where the children plan and present their learning and you are all most welcome to join us. It will typically last 30 minutes. We hope that you can join us.

### **Welcome to Miss Quicler**

We would like to welcome Miss Anna Quicler who is a final year Teacher Training student and will be working with Mrs Clarke in Class 2 to support children's learning in the Summer term. We hope that she will gain valuable knowledge of how children learn and develop a love of teaching.

### **Easter Experience with Mawdesley St Peter's**

On Thursday this week, Class 2 welcomed some children from Mawdesley St Peter's Primary to experience the Easter story. Led by Rev Janet and Mrs Clarke, the children will walk through the story through the eyes of the key story tellers—we know that they will find it both enjoyable and informative.

Class 2 this week have also had the opportunity to meet the poet Ian Bland and through a workshop have been developing their knowledge and skills of performance poetry.



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## *DATES FOR DIARY/CLUBS INFORMATION*

### May

Thursday 2nd	Class Photographs
Monday 6th	May Bank Holiday
Monday 13th - Thursday 16th	Year 6 SATS Week
Thursday 23rd	New Parents Meeting—6.00pm
Friday 24th	School Closes normal time 3.15pm

### June

Monday 10th	School re-opens
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### Additional Dates for Class Worship

Thursday 27th June	Class 2 Worship—9.05am
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## CLUBS – 1st HALF SUMMER TERM 2019

NAME OF CLUB	YEAR GROUP	DAY	TIME	DATES
Brass Band Club	Class 3 & Private Tuition Pupils	Tuesdays	3.15-4.15pm	30/4-21/5/19 (4 weeks)
Gardening Club	Year R/1/2	Thursdays	3.15-4.15pm	2/5-23/5/19 (4 weeks)
Basketball Club	Whole School	Thursdays	3.15-4.20pm	25/4-23/5/19 (5 weeks)

## 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