From tiny acorns, mighty oak trees grow, watered and nurtured by God.

Braywood Newsletter



Welcome back to all our families!



Aspire, Learn, Achieve

What is happening this month?

22nd September Mums and Dads into School

Tuesday 19th September

First School Photographs

Thursday 21st September

Y4 Sport Leadership Training

Day

25th – 28th September Forest School Experience (more details below)

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Friday 13th October Halloween Disco for all

Thursday 19th October Harvest Festival at 2pm.

For more dates see the back of the newsletter.

Class Meetings

Monday 11th to Friday 15th September

Please do try to attend the class meetings next week. They are a perfect opportunity to find out more about your child's classroom and ask any questions you may have about the organization this year.

They are as follows:

Year F Mrs Rexworthy – Monday 11th

Year 1 Mrs Clarke & Mrs Walker – Tuesday 12th

Year 4 Mrs Wakeman – Wednesday 13th

Year 3 Mrs Ingram – Thursday 14th

Year 2 Mrs Kilner–Friday 15th

Please note the change of date for some classes. All meetings take place in the Clockhouse at 8.45am

We would like to welcome Rose Wilkinson, our new teacher trainee in Year 4. She will be a real asset to Mrs Wakeman.

Have you joined us on twitter?

You can always log onto our website to find out more information through the link http://braywood-ce.eschools.co.uk/website





What happened last month?

Some of the recent trips and visitors

Swan Upping

A big treat for the Year 4 pupils was to attend the swan upping ceremony. ITV were filming the event and Mrs Ingram was interviewed by French TV. Very exciting!

Year 4 Residential

Obviously it goes without saying that the Year pupils had a wonderful time on their residential trip to PGL. We went to a smaller venue and we had the facility to ourselves. Unfortunately this did not make any difference to the children getting to sleep!

Year 3 and 4 Production

The production of 'Jack and the Beanstalk' was a huge success and our leaving parents were very pleased with this performance. As usual it is quite an emotional event and the children did themselves proud!

Sports PE Day

As Sports Day was rained off we will be practicing some of the races next Tuesday. Each child will be given their new PE bag which will have their 'house' name on and be in their house colours. The children are very excited about this!

PTA news

The Parent and Teacher Association (PTA) have had an incredible year. They have arranged some great event this year including the Fun Run, Fairs, children's discos and much more. They have raised a amazing £11,300 which goes towards supporting the school with books, equipment and occasionally schemes of work. There is an AGM on Tuesday 12th Sept at the Jolly Gardener at 8pm so do attend to learn more. It is a great way to make friends.

Traffic – Our Code of Conduct

We would like to keep our school a safe environment but we have already had an incident of concern.

On the pavement

Children should be holding parent's hand or walking near to an adult. Children when they run ahead cannot assess the road situation and can easily run in front of a car.

On the road

- Please do not park on the double yellow lines, over resident's driveways or in front of the school entrances.
- No three point turns as this is dangerous and very frustrating for oncoming traffic.



 Please do not reverse into driveways (including the school) as this is very offensive to our neighbours.



Events and news for this month

BREAKING NEWS

Can you spare a few hours a week?

We are in desperate need of lunchtime controllers.

Owl Visit

What a delightful start to the term learning more about birds of prey. We have just spent a lovely morning watching owls swoop over our heads.

Mums and Dads into School

Friday 22nd September

Fast approaching is our Mums and Dads into school day. This is a wonderful opportunity to find out more about your child 's curriculum. Our theme is Reading and comprehension. The timetable will be:

8.45 - Assembly

9.15- English lesson

10.15 - Break and coffee

11.00 - Maths Lesson

12.00 -Lunch

1.15 – Afternoon session

Due to space each family has the opportunity to:

• morning and stay for

lunch

- stay for lunch and stay for the afternoon session
- or just stay for lunch.

Unless you have 3 children in school we cannot accommodate a whole day session. See attached sheet.

If it is raining the lunch will be cancelled as we cannot accommodate 300 adults and children on site.

PE Kits

Please can we have children's PE kits in school asap. Children will also need to have old trainers and wellington boots for the field.

School Timetables

All small teaching groups will be starting on TUESDAY 3rd October.

The first set of homework will start to go out on **MONDAY 25**th **September.** This will include different levels of challenge depending upon your child's year group. Spellings will be given by the

class teacher using the format of Look, cover, write and check. This will be explained further in the class meetings.

We are desperately looking for lunchtime controllers to support from 11.56-1.15pm. Please ask friends and family.

Forest School Experiences

To help build classroom teams, discover more about the outdoors and develop resilience Year 1-4 are visiting Windsor Great Park. The timetable is as follows:

Year 1 – Wednesday 27th

Year 2 – Thursday 28th

Year 3 – Monday 25th

Year 4 – Tuesday 26th

The sessions start at 9.15 and finish at 2.45pm. Children will be wearing school uniform and sensible shoes. There is a letter with more details on its way.

Continued

Payments in school

We really appreciate how supportive you have all been. From September the whole school will be using this method to pay for dinners and trips. It has been decided to discontinue the termly payment; instead parents will be asked to pay for their child's trips through eschools. We will assume that all children will be attending trips and if there is a problem please contact the office.

Guidance on how to use eschools's payment system is attached as your will need to know your own login details (not your children) to do this. Please speak to the office if you need any help with this. Foundation parents will be notified in due course.

Year 3/4 trip to Ufton Court

This trip will be the first one where parents need to use schools to pay the school. The cost is £17.50 (£10 for the day and £7.50 for the coach) Parents will need to sign in, pay through eschools for this trip. This system provides more clarity than termly payments.

Again there will be a letter coming out but the trip is designed to cover the children's topic work and will involve plenty of first hand experiences.

END OF HALF TERM School closes on Friday 20th October at 2pm.

There is no after school on this day.

Trim Trail

Please remember that children are **not** allowed on the trim tail after school. As a school we are advising our parents that:

- it is not safe to leave your child on the climbing apparatus as they are close to the road.
- We are not liable for children on the trim trail as it is after school hours and as we would rather there was not an accident it is completely banned.
- When it is wet/icy it is not safe to use.
- Children will be asked to get off the trim trail and that can be upsetting.

They are of course able to play on the field under parental supervision.

Changes to Reading

All children in school are covering some form of reading every day either through group reading, literacy groups or sharing stories. We also have three volunteers who read on a one-to-one basis with the children alongside all the teaching staff who administer home reading books by hearing their pupils read during their lunch break.

The home reading books and library books are to support this learning at home. This is obviously very important because children's

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progress is so much more marked if this learning is reinforced at home.

To make the allocation of books more efficient teacher will now be scanning the books and keeping an electronic record in school. Your child's book will be accompanied by a learning log which is a communication tool to be used by parents. Do take ownership of this book and keep the teacher informed of your child's reading at home.

We hope to phase this in soon.

Link to the website for more information on helping your child.

http://braywood+ce.eschools.co.uk/web/help

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After School Club

An emergency telephone number 07545881264 is available if you do not get a response from school.

Here are this month's house point's results:

Eagles	0
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Kestrels 0

Hawks 0

Falcons 0

Kites 0

Owls 0

Tuesday 5 th	BACK TO SCHOOL at 8.45am	
September		
Thurs 7 th Sept	New parents tea/coffee PTA	
Tues 12 th Sept	PTA AGM Jolly Gardener 8pm	
Mon 11 th – Fri 15 th September	Class Meetings	
Friday 22 nd September	Mums and Dads into School	
Mon 25 th – Fri 29 th September	Forest School Experience for whole School	
Tuesday 26 th September	Open Morning for prospective parents	
Thurs 28 th September	Year 3 and 4 trip to Ufton Court	
Wednesday 4 th October	PTA Meeting at the Jolly Gardener	
Wednesday 11 th October	Year 4 singing at Bray Parish Council Meeting	
Wednesday 18 th October	Governor Meeting at 7pm	
Thursday 19 th October	Harvest Festival	
Friday 20 th October	Last Day of Half Term. School Closes at 2pm	
HALF TERM	Monday 23 rd to Friday 27 th Back to school on Monday 30 th October at 8.45am.	
Wednesday 8 th November	Whole School seasonal Nasal Flu Vaccinations	
Thursday 23 rd November	Family Assembly at 9am	
Tuesday 28 th November	Open Morning for Prospective parents	
Friday 1 st December	Christmas Fair from 2-4pm	
Thursday14 th December	Christmas Nativity Concert at Bray Church	
Tuesday 19 th December	Last Day of Term at 2pm	
CHRISTMAS	Wednesday 20 th December to Tuesday 2 nd	
BNREAK	January. Wednesday In-service Day	
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Please remember that these dates are a product of a lot of work by office and teaching staff to ensure that your child have a more stimulating and stimulating educational experience. Please do not shout at staff members if problems are encountered. Everyone is trying their best!



PTA Update

PTA AGM next Tuesday

There is a PTA meeting on Wednesday 4th October at 8pm at the Jolly Gardener

The PTA have managed to raise money for 10 new computers, play equipment, welly racks and reading books.



Kind Regards

Susan Calvert

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