# Braywood Newsletter



Have a lovely Summer Break! From all at Braywood.



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### What is happening next month?

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September

School opens at 8.45

9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>

Forest School Days

September

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September Year 4 Longridge trip

Friday 20th

Mums and dads into School

September Day with lunch

### END OF TERM

School closes on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July at 1-2pm.

There is no after school club on this day.



# Our last day of term

The school closes on **Tuesday 23rd July** for the summer break. The organisation for the day is as follows:

- Our last Family Assembly is at 9am. We try to have this assembly outside and parents can find a seat as soon as they arrive in school. Year 4 parents have some seats reserved.
- Sports Day follows this at approximately 10am on the field. There will be cups of tea/coffee available this year whist the children get ready for their races. Parents usually find a space around the field to set up their picnic blankets etc.
- Lunch is on the field at approximately 12-12.30pm when the races have finished. The PTA are selling hot dogs and YF, 1 and 2 children can have a free school hot dog as they have free school meal. This should top up your picnic!
- After lunch Year 4 children can ring the bell. This is when all the children can say 'goodbye' to all their teachers. School closes at 1pm due to the weather. If the weather is hot then we may finish a little earlier. The children are sitting under gazebos, parents can sit in the shade, bring an umbrella or eat inside.

All staff at Braywood hope that you have a lovely, relaxing summer break.

### 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 has just recently happened?

## Some of the recent trips and visitors

### **Summer Production**

The Year 3 and 4 pupils have just performed a wonderful version of 'The Mystery of Magpie Manor' for their family and friends. The singing was amazing (thanks to the support of our Year 3 children) and the acting was exceptionally good this year. The children delivered the lines very well and were so funny.

The Year 4 are busy planning to run the school next Monday. They are busy planning the lessons now!

### **Trips**

Year 2 pupils went to the Lookout this week to support their topic work.

Year 1 went to Eton College Natural History Museum and had several interesting talks and the Year 4 went to the Living Rainforest.



### **Grandparents into School**

It is always lovely to share an afternoon with the children's grandparents and we were blessed with the weather.

### Our first Alumni

Again, blessed with the weather we had a lovely afternoon meeting pupils of all ages!



# Standards and Progress

### Early Years

This year 83% of pupils achieved a 'good level of development'.

### **Phonics**

For the last two years our Year 1 pupils have achieved 97%-100% success rate on passing the Phonics Test. This is due to our excellent phonics scheme and curriculum.

### Progress across the school

In Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 between 89% - 95% achieved nationally expected standards and made a similar degree of progress from last year's standards.

Similarly, across the school we had between 30% - 50% of these pupils achieve beyond those expectations.



These achievements are down to our fantastic teaching team and strong and dedicated leadership. It is indicative of the hard work and passion of our teachers and teaching assistants.



# Events and news for this month

### **BREAKING NEWS**

Year 4 washing Mrs Farey's car to raise money through the 'Fiver' challenge

### Next Year

Please save the date for our Mums and Dads into school day on Friday 20st September. Everyone is welcome!

Our Forest School Days will carry on as usual because they are a good way to foster resilience and team building skills. Your child will be taken and brought back from Windsor Great Park.

Our Year 4 pupils will be going to Longridge instead of the forest school. This will involve kayaking, climbing and laser tag.

The new children are being presented with a book (Starting School – Allan Ahlberg), their new PE bag in their child's house colour and a water bottle thanks to our wonderful PTA.

### Clubs

Clubs confirmed for next year are Netball, Performing Arts, Ballet, Rugby, Eco Club, Sewing, Yoga and Chelsea. We are also looking to start a new Homework club.

### Caterlink

The new menu has not changed very much and a copy will be given out at the beginning of September.

### New for Next Year

Next academic year all classes will be having a welcome meeting at 8.45 on the first morning back. These will be held in their child's classroom.

For all our new parents their meeting will be in the Church House. This is an opportunity to meet our governors, breakfast club/after school club staff and other parents in their child's class. The PTA also arranged a tea and tissues event on the same day. We aim to make our new parents as welcome as possible during their first few days at Braywood.

### **Assemblies**

Any parent who would like to come and talk to the children about their job in our assemblies (or just with their class) would be more than welcome. It is good for the children to be exposed to all these different life choices.

If any parents know of a company who would be willing to sponsor a garden or plants for our school? Please talk to Mrs Calvert if you do.

### Communication

Next year the school will be starting up a new whole school WhatsApp to communicate the organisation inside our school including the PTA. Too many confused messages are circulating around the class WhatsApp so these will be used directly for social events and getting to know your class cohort. The stars of the will communicated week through the weekly email

Please use the holiday to have another look at the platform and website as there is lots of information on there. The eschools app is definitely worth researching. It can be used to text messages, send letters, calendar events etc. Epay is not available at the moment on this app.

Next year we will be using epay to pay for our Breakfast and After School Clubs.

### Uniform

As you are probably aware our uniform sales have gone online and these can now be obtained from

https://www.schooldaysdirect. co.uk/braywood/ using the password **SDDBW**. All our staff are wonderful but here are the staff changes for September

Foundation Mrs Teeder, Miss Gibson and Mrs Biddle

Year 1 Mrs Clarke, Mrs Clark and Mrs Fortune

Year 2 Mrs Kilner, Mrs Reeves and Ms Smith

Year 3 Mrs Rexworthy, Mrs Walker and Miss O'Neill

Year 4 Mrs Wakeman and Mrs Moss

With Mrs Fussey supporting SEND

Have a really lovely summer break from all at Braywood!!

# PTA Update

### **AGM**

Thursday 19th September at the Church House



## Kind Regards

# Susan Calvert

*Theme – Family, friendships and love* 

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