



Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2018

# Welcome back to Braunstone Community Primary School!

Hello Parents/ Carers,

A warm welcome back to a brand new school year. It's a pleasure to see such smart and hardworking pupils in each class! The foundation stage have been having loads of fun cooking and baking. Yum, yum!

Year 2 have been 'under the sea' with amazing fishes and sea creatures. We cannot wait to get around the rest of the classes and see what they are up to.

You should all be very proud of your amazing children- we definitely are!

We would also like to welcome some new members of staff the BCPS team:

Teachers: Miss Fuller, Mr Durham, Miss Shaw, Miss Patel, Mrs Wallis, Mrs Reman.

SENDCo: Miss Harman

Senior Teaching Assistant: Mrs Hobden

Lead Professionals: Mrs Mulhern & Ms Turland

If you need anything, please do not hesitate to come in to school and see us.

All the best, Senior Leadership Team



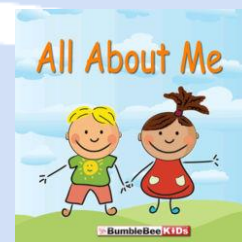
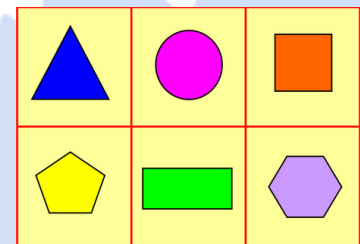
## **Foundation 1, Class 1**

The nursery children have settled beautifully this week. They have been really busy learning to listen and follow instructions, how to look after their classroom, sharing with their friends, going to the toilet independently and hanging up their coats.

They have all done so incredibly well!

Over the next few weeks the children will be learning; "All about me!". They have already started making their faces using different 2D shapes, which look fantastic.

Please can you provide your child with a photograph of your family so we can display this in our classroom for the children to talk about.



## **Foundation 2, Class RBE & RDM**

Class RBE and RDM have settled in well! We have enjoyed making and getting to know our new friends! It has been commented that the children are happy and calm when eating their lunch in the dinner hall and have accustomed to this new and exciting change well.

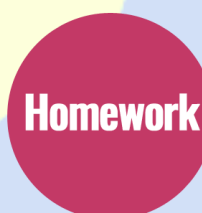
This week we are continuing to learn our class rules and routines with the help of our Mascot's -Milo Monkey and Barnaby Bear. We are also learning brand new sight words so that we can read these words within books. The children have had a fantastic week. We are all very proud!



## **Year 1, Class 1CE & 1CK**

Year one have really impressed their new teachers this week and are settling in fabulously! This term, our topic is all about toys and we have loved exploring and playing with a range of different ones. We are also working very hard to start the year with good manners and a "try your best" attitude!

Homework will be sent out on a Friday and needs to be returned for Dojos every Thursday.



### **Year 2, Class 2LD & 2RL**

Welcome back! The children in 2DF and 2RL have settled back into school and have shown that they are well and truly ready for Year 2. The children have started their new topic 'Under the Sea' and are enjoying learning about sea turtles and their life cycles. See if your child can tell you some interesting facts! In maths, the children have been reading and writing numbers to 100 and trying hard to form their numbers correctly. This term, Year 2 will be swimming every Thursday afternoon, so please ensure your child brings their swimming kits on these days. We are very much looking forward to a great term with the children!



### **Year 3, Class 3HD & 3MS**

The children in Year 3 have already shown an exceptional attitude to learning and are really starting to form strong friendships with their new classmates. This is great to see and creates a brilliant atmosphere within class that allows all children to access the learning and have fun. We have already started learning about volcanoes in Geography and the children are using their knowledge from this in English to write some excellent stories. The children have also enjoyed re-visiting their 2's, 5's and 10's times tables and are beginning to practise their 3's, 4's and 8's. Developing these skills is key to their success within all areas of Maths. We have already seen the benefit of this in our current unit of Maths, which is understanding the place value of digits.



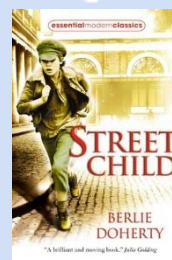
### **Year 4, Class 4BM & 4JG**

Year Four have had an amazing start to the new term and we are very much looking forward to a fantastic year! This half term our learning will be focused around King Richard III. Who he was, what life was like when he lived and why he was important.



### **Year 5, Class 5EP, 5NC & 5LF**

This week, the children have been settling into their new classes extremely well. In English, the children are reading the story 'Street Child' and they are learning about the Victorian era. In Maths children are working on their understanding of place value and numbers up to 100,000.



### **Year 6, Class 6SW & 6RA**

This week, Year 6 have been learning about World War 2; discovering how the War was started and the countries that were affected. Our topic also links with the novel that we are reading called Goodnight Mr Tom. In numeracy, we are becoming masters of working with large numbers up to 1 million and place value.



Follow us on Twitter to find out more about our exciting lessons! [@braunstone\\_cps](#)



### **Secondary School Transfers:**

The online system for secondary school transfers is available from 12<sup>th</sup> September and closes 31<sup>st</sup> October. A representative from the Choice Advice Service will be available, in school, to support with the on-line application process on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2-3.30pm.

### **Photography Consent**

If you did not sign a consent form for your child last term, please could we ask that you come to the school office or see your child's class teacher to complete one.

Due to new General Data Protection Regulations, this form must be completed in order for your child to have their photograph taken in school, on display, on twitter and used wider across the trust. If you DO NOT want your child's photograph taken, we still require this form to be completed. Thank you.

### **School Uniform**

Please see a reminder below of our school dress code:

- Grey trousers
- Grey skirt
- White polo-shirt
- Navy blue school sweatshirt
- Navy blue school cardigan
- Black sensible flat shoes/trainers
- Plain grey/black or navy blue tights
- Blue and white checked summer dress
- Plain white/grey/black/navy blue socks



Please write your child's name and class in all of their uniform including their PE kit.

### **Packed lunch reminder**

Please remember not to send your child with unhealthy foods in their packed lunch box. For example snickers and Mars bars. Also, we are a nut free school due to children's allergies.

### **Breakfast Club Reminder**

Mobile phone use is not permitted in breakfast club. This is for the safety of your own children and others attending. Thank you for your co-operation.

### **Diary of Events**

#### **Parents meetings @ 3.15pm**

Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Sept -Yr 5 & 6

Wed 12<sup>th</sup> Sept -Nursery and F2

Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Sept -Yr 1 & 2

Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Sept -Yr 3 & 4

#### **Choice Advice Service- Weds 17<sup>th</sup>**

October @ 2-3.30pm

#### **October half term- 22<sup>nd</sup>- 26<sup>th</sup>**

October

(School closes on Fri 19<sup>th</sup> and Opens)



### **School Nurse drop-in sessions**

Private and confidential support and advice with a member of the school nurse team. (8.30am- 10.30am)

- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September

- Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October

- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November

- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December



### **PE Days:**

Monday: Classes 4BM, 1CE, 5LF, 5EP

Tuesday: Classes AM Nursery, RDM, 6SW, 6RA

Wednesday: Classes 2RL, 1CK, 3MS, 3HD

Thursday: Classes 4JG, RBE

All children are expected to have their PE kit in school for their PE lessons.

### **Swimming:**

Swimming will now be on Thursday afternoons.

Your child will receive a letter before their year group begins their swimming sessions.

### **Child protection and children at risk**

Child protection means protecting children from physical, emotional, sexual abuse or neglect. It also means helping children to grow up into confident, healthy and happy adults. If you are concerned about the safety and welfare of a child in Leicester, please contact Social Care confidentially by calling 0116 454 1004 (24 hour service) or the police on 0116 222 2222. You can also visit the customer services centre on 91 Granby Street LE1 6FB to call us from a free telephone.

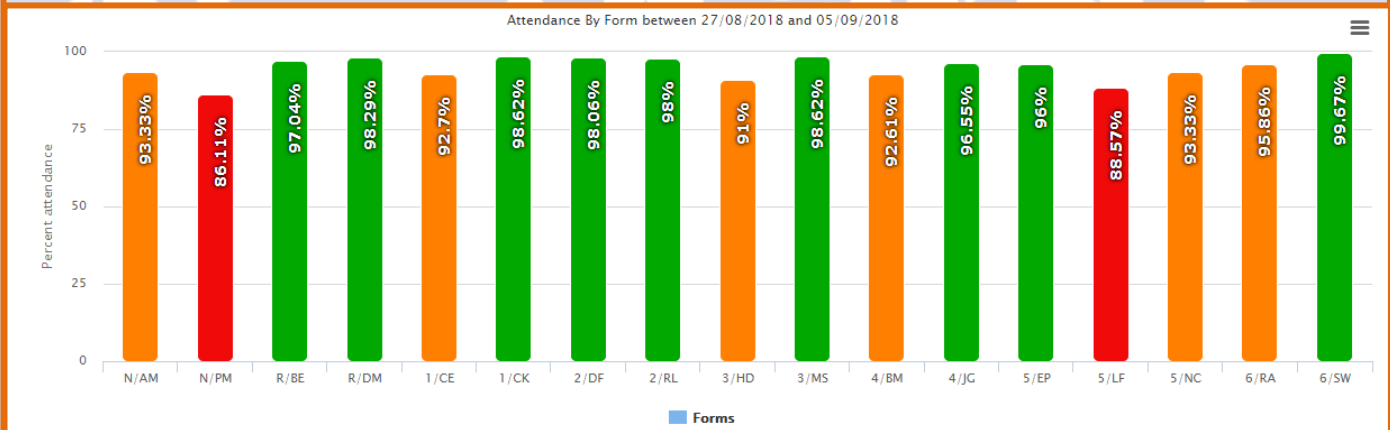


## Attendance

Whole school attendance should be 96.4% or above as set by the Government. We have high expectations for all our pupils and have set a school and individual target of 97%. To date our current attendance year-to-date is 95.58%, this is disappointing so early on in the school year, though with improved punctuality and attendance this will increase and help us to continue to reach our target. We know that the more children come to school, the more they learn and the more successful they will be at school.

We will keep you informed, in the newsletter, of the whole school attendance as well as the attendance for year phase and class. All classes will also have an attendance display. During the weekly phase assemblies, a 'Best Class Attendance' trophy will be presented to the class with the best attendance for the previous week.

Each half term you will receive a text with your child's attendance.



## Winners of the Best Class Trophy

**ATTENDANCE MATTERS**

Phase	W/E 31/8
EYFS	RBE
Yr 1 and 2	1CK
Yr 3 and 4	3MS
Yr 5 and 6	6SW



We realise that from time to time it may be necessary for you to keep your child off from school. In order to record your child's absence correctly, we would ask that you advise the school by:

Ring the school office on the first day of absence on 0116 2858130 or inform the class teacher if you bring other siblings to school. If it is necessary to keep your child off for more than one day please continue to keep us informed.

If we receive no communication from you, we are legally required to record a mark of unauthorised absence; this could result in the Education Welfare Office being contacted.

## Medical appointments

Please, where possible, avoid routine medical appointments within school time. Every second of learning counts!

If your child is absent for a medical reason you will need to provide medical evidence e.g. appointment card/clinic letter or appointment confirmation text sent by the NHS.



## Thought for the week...

"When you see someone that has lost their smile, lend them yours for a while"



