



Thursday 8th November 2018

This week at Braunstone Community Primary School...

Foundation 1, Class 1

The nursery children have been busy re-telling the story of; 'Room on the Broom' and learning new vocabulary. They enjoyed dressing up in their Halloween costumes, making wands and creating different potions in the witches' cauldron!

This week the children have been creating amazing bonfire pictures and they particularly enjoyed playing the instruments to make firework sounds.

The children have loved celebrating Diwali, dancing to Indian music, cooking chapatti's and making some beautiful diva lamps!

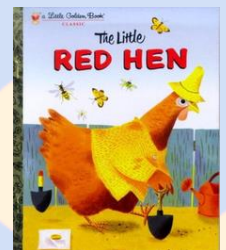
Thank you to all the parents/carers who have been helping their child complete their homework. Please remember to bring your child's book bag every day.



Foundation 2, Class RBE & RDM

Year 1, Class 1CE & 1CK

Year one have had an exciting first week back at school! Last Monday, we were shocked to discover a feathery visitor had been in our classrooms! The Little Red Hen had been making bread and had left a terrible mess. Since then, we have been learning all about the story of the Little Red Hen. We have learned it by heart and can tell you how it goes using actions and words - ask us to show you! We can't wait to write our own version of the story later in the term... watch this space for more!



Year 2, Class 2DF & 2RL

It is lovely to see all of the children back after half term and they are now ready to start their new topics. In English they are beginning to learn the story of The Three Little Pigs and they have learnt many actions to go with it. Over the next week they will be re-writing the story with a change! In Maths, the children have moved on to subtraction and are gaining confidence in the different strategies needed to work out the answer. Can we please remind all parents and children that Year Two have PE every Monday and Swimming every Thursday so they must have the appropriate kits. Thank you!



Year 3, Class 3HD & 3MS

Year 3 kicked off their "Life in Roman Britain" topic in style this week by making their own shield and using it in the Year 3 army to conquer the playground! We will be looking in depth at how the Romans transformed Britain and what life was like for a 7 year old in Roman Britain. The children will then use their knowledge to write a discussion text about joining the Roman Empire.

In English we are using "Talk For Writing" to learn how to retell a story and then write our own narrative about a journey. In Maths the children will be learning how to multiply by 3's, 4's and 8's. A perfect opportunity to practice and apply their times table knowledge."



Year 4, Class 4RA & 4JG

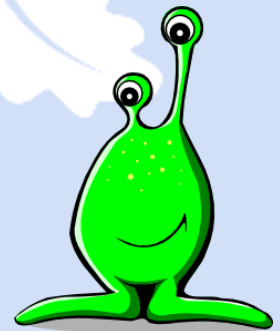
This week has seen Year 4 learn more about the Stone Age, practice some 3-digit multiplication, pass loads of reading quizzes and begin to understand states of matter. The first weeks of term have been amazing and we are really looking forward to the rest of this half term. Keep an eye out for us making tools, writing on the school website, experimenting with particles and becoming experts at the ukulele.



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

This week an alien has invaded the allotment in year 5!! We have used our team working skills to decode a message and found that the Associate Head Teacher might be under attack! In English we have used our acting and drawing skills to teach us how to write an alien report. Ask us about these, we are really proud! We have also had some new books in English, our Handwriting is AMAZING! In maths we have started our multiplication and division module, ask me about factor pairs!

We are starting our new geography topic this term and cannot wait to learn all about the world around us!



Year 6, Class 6SW & 6BM

In English Year 6 have been studying the works of Shakespeare, they have been writing diary entries and character descriptions of when Macbeth met the three Witches. In Reading we have been reading and analysing extracts from the classic book Dracula. Our topic is linked to the Elizabethan Era, the children have been studying the family tree of the Tudors and drawing portraits of Queen Elizabeth 1st. In Maths children have learnt to multiply, add and subtract fractions and working on perfecting their time tables and fluency of Arithmetic.



Happy Diwali to all of children and families!

The Diwali festival represents the symbolic victory of light over darkness, knowledge over ignorance, and good over evil.

happy diwali

Parents Evening- November 2018

It was great to see so many families attending our parent's consultation evenings this week. Thank you for completing the parent view forms. If you were unable to attend, please speak directly to the class teacher to arrange an alternative time.



Roast Chicken with Stuffing

or
Quorn Fillet

Served with Roast Potatoes,
Baton Carrots and Broccoli Florets
White Bread
Gravy

Apple Crumble and Custard
or
Jelly and Cream

On Thursday 22nd November, we would like to invite parents/ carers or family members to join your child for lunch, as we are celebrating the **National Great Roast Dinner Day!**

Children in F2-Year 2: there will be no charge as your child is eligible for universal or free school meals.

Children in Year 3- 6: £2 per pupil, unless have a valid free school meal voucher.

Parents/carers can also purchase a lunch for a cost of £2.46.

(Please see the menu for options).

Please order and make payment by Friday 9th November at the school office.

alumni BCPS Alumni alumni

Did your son/daughter or family member attend BCPS and are now aged 18-22yrs old?

We would like to hear from our former students - what are they doing now, what further education did they go on to study, what industry have they gone on to work in?

Not only would we like to celebrate their achievements, we hope in the future that our former students can get involved with events such as 'aspiration day' or a mentoring programme.

Please ask them to contact Mrs Westwater, in the first instance by emailing with their contact details to: office@dsatbraunstone.org



Diary of Events

NEW Stay & Play sessions- Every Weds 2-3pm in school

The Great Roast Dinner Day-

Thursday 22nd Nov (from 11.45am)

December half term- Mon 24th Dec to Mon 7th Dec. (School will close on Fri 21st Dec and Re-open on Tues 8th Jan 2019)

School Nurse drop-in sessions

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

- Thursday 1st November
- Thursday 13th December



Braunstone Community Primary School

Nursery Places available

Part-time or Full-time

Are you working 16 hours or more?

Your child could be entitled to 30 hours free child care!

More information on eligibility can be found on: www.gov.uk/childcare-calculator

If your child's date of birth is between 01/09/2014 and 31/08/2015, immediate start available.

Applications also being received for August 2019 starts, please complete an application form, available from our school office.

Please contact school and we will be happy to arrange a convenient time for you to visit.



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%. Our current attendance year-to-date is 96.25% we are delighted to see that it is improving, with improved punctuality and attendance this will continue to 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.

Looking at our data for this academic year so far we can see that a significant number of absences are due to unauthorised leave (i.e. holidays being taken during term time) - please be advised that any holidays taken during term time will be unauthorised **and you could be issued with a Penalty Notice of £120 per parent per child (discounted to £60 if paid within 21 days), or, your case could be referred by the Local Authority directly to the Magistrates' Court.**



Phase	Best Class for Autumn Term 1
EYFS	RBE
Yr 1 and 2	1CK
Yr 3 and 4	3HD
Yr 5 and 6	5NC



The Best Class winners for Autumn Term 1, have been rewarded with a treat of hot chocolate and cookies - Well Done!

Winners of the Best Class Trophy

Phase	W/E 5/10	W/E 12/10
Phase	W/E 19/10	W/E 2/11
EYFS	NAM	RBE
Yr 1 and 2	1CK	1CK
Yr 3 and 4	3MS	4JG



ATTENDANCE
MATTERS

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:

Ringing 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.

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