



Broxbourne CE Primary School Newsletter

HEADTEACHER UPDATE

Last Friday's PTA disco proved tremendously successful and raised an amazing £1,200 for PTA funds. Thank you to all who attended and helped on the evening. On Tuesday night, the PTA voted to fund most high priority items from the school's 'wish list'. Items included: significant investment in reading books and the school's library, Early Years' Reading Scheme replenishment, a digital camera for high quality images at school events, and significant commitment to the next stage of the schools technology enhancement for our children. All items will improve our school for our children and we are most thankful for the difference our PTA and parents make.

We look forward to seeing you at next week's parents' evenings. These will focus upon the start your child has made, their dispositions and attitudes to learning, any obvious improvements which can be made and related strategies to achieve these. Thereafter a parental questionnaire will be emailed containing a Survey Monkey link. The Ofsted Education Inspection Framework has changed since September 2019 and we are keen to know how we are doing as a school after 8 weeks of the academic year as aligned to this new set of questions. Please do take the time and trouble to offer your feedback. All survey responses will be reviewed and will help us to gauge what is going well and any areas we should focus upon to make our school the very best it can be.

Weather permitting, we hope to conclude the half term's inter-house sports programme with the Year 1 and 2 football tournament set for Monday afternoon. Please ensure all Year 1 and 2 have full PE kit. Ideally boots and shin pads will be worn, although please do not buy these especially.

We hope your weekend proves enjoyable and that England's Rugby World Cup match keeps our interest alive... .

Best wishes Paul Miller

PARENTS' EVENING

Don't forget parents' evenings on Wednesday, 23rd October or Thursday, 24th October. Only children from Year 6 are invited to these appointments, **we are unable to accommodate children from other year groups or siblings under school age** at these meetings or at the school. School age children can, however, book into the after school club until 4pm, 5pm or 6pm on your chosen day, subject to space. Thank you.



MEET THE GOVERNOR

Hi, my name is Adam Watson and I am the newest member on the team of school governors, having recently been appointed foundation governor at the school. I am married with two daughters, Summer who is in Early Years and Hattie, two, who I hope will enjoy school life at Broxbourne in the future. I work for a global law firm based in London where I'm employed as a senior network analyst.

In my free time I'm a keen runner, enjoying the combination of being outside and attempting to keep a modicum of fitness. Most Saturday mornings are spent with the family at the local parkrun at Barclay park and Sundays at junior parkrun encouraging Summer in her own running enjoyment.

I decided to become a Governor primarily to learn more about the school, how it is run and how it is managed. I value education highly and will work to keep the standard of education offered at Broxbourne CE Primary to a high standard for the benefit of all pupils. I hope to be able to use both my professional experience and interest as a parent to assist the senior leadership team to deliver these goals. I'm looking forward to getting to know the school, staff and pupils better over the coming years.

PTA UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who attended our meeting on Tuesday evening! We were pleased to be able to allocate over £5,000 to benefit our children, including a whole range of new reading books, art equipment, a new early years sandpit and the Christmas pantomime.

Winter Wonderland on Friday, 22nd November, 5.00-8.00pm

Winter Wonderland is only five weeks away!! We still need help with a number of things:

Selling raffle tickets - Raffle tickets and grotto booking forms will go out to families early next week. Please do sell tickets as widely as you can to family and friends. This year we have some INCREDIBLE prizes, including a Haven Holiday weekend, luxury wine/champagne hamper, family tickets to Diggerland and Woburn Safari park, and a £50 Boden voucher!

Bottle Tombola - This year we are including **ANY TYPE** of bottle in the tombola. So as well as wine, champagne and other alcohol (plenty of that always appreciated), so think sparkling water, soft drinks, even ketchup! In addition to one bottle per child, anything extra you can bring (in date and in a good condition) would be gratefully received as this is our most popular stall. Please give all donations to the office as soon as possible.

Cakes for the Teachers Tearoom- Our festive tearoom, run by the teachers, was a great success last year. If any of you are superstar bakers (or even if you aren't!) we would appreciate as many cake, cupcake or muffin donations as possible (no nuts please). If you could let us know beforehand it would really help.

Calling all Santa's! - We are in desperate need of volunteer Santas for our grottos. Any dads/grandads/uncles who could do a stint in the red suit, please get in touch. Even if you can only do a shift, that would be brilliant!

If you can help with any of the above or have questions, please email pta@broxbourne-pri.herts.sch.uk, or ask your class reps, who will be able to pass on your enquiry.

Thanks in advance!

The PTA

REMINDER

Please remember it is advisable to lock your child's bike or scooter to the racks provided to avoid loss or damage. These items are left in school at your own risk.

Thank you.

