

Summer Term Issue 6

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Broxbourne CE Primary School Newsletter

HEADTEACHER UPDATE

The end of the half term has arrived and the sun is certainly shining upon us currently. I am sure you are all looking forward to a little relaxation and spending some quality family time together for a week before the final mega-busy half term of the school year begins. Some dates are included on this newsletter and in particular, please note the change in day of the Year 6 Leavers' Show.

Our 'Science Fortnight' concluded today and this has been an exciting time for our children with loads of fun and practical science and events happening across the two weeks. I wish to thank Mrs McGeough and Mr Noon, at The Broxbourne Secondary, for planning and delivering a 'Crash, Bang, Wallop,' science show to four of our classes on Wednesday. Similarly, I wish to congratulate all of the staff for the imaginative and creative science activities which have taken place during this period. These were all showcased today in our celebratory science assembly: Early Years 1 fired straw rockets and showed their recycling modelling, Early Years 2 made predictions, fired rockets and impressively explained how these worked!, Year 1 grew crystals and investigated seed germination, Year 2 made amazing lava lamps and investigated the xylem of flowers with dye, Year 3 demonstrated lava-erupting volcanoes and investigated indicators via 'rainbow fish' and red cabbage colouring, Year 4 investigated lunchbox materials with an ice cube investigation, Year 5 explored parachutes and paper aeroplanes and Year 6 explained a mentor and Coke bottle reaction and demonstrated friction and static. All in all, science was marked firmly on the Broxbourne map and our children visibly relished these opportunities.

Our 'Spirited Arts Week' has also concluded today and Mrs Rowbottom and Miss Lee have worked tirelessly this week with all classes supporting our children in turning their reflections and ideas into finished and representative works of art. You will be able to see these next half term and once more this has been a great success. Thank you Mrs Rowbottom and Miss Lee.

We introduced our new PSHE Jigsaw resource on Wednesday to our staff and will begin using this in the final half term. Thank you to our PTA and all of the school community for funding this via the £3112.65 raised specifically for this purpose during our Broxbourne Todd Waldock Memorial Run. Please note the Year 5 and 6 meeting detail on this newsletter, since this resource will also contribute towards our revised 'Body Awareness' lessons for these year groups before the end of term.

Finally, very well done to our Year 5 children for representing us so respectfully during their 'Bedford Faith Tour.' Miss Garsrud spoke highly of how you all conducted yourselves.

As a school community we joined the rest of the country on Thursday in prayer and a minute's silence for all of those tragically taken and affected by the terrible event in Manchester. We are involved in a 'Thy Kingdom Come' initiative encouraging prayer for 5 people by name at 5.00pm each day in the period between Ascension and Pentecost. We encourage our children and families to join us in 5@5 and there is much about which to pray.

We wish you all safe, happy and restful weeks.

Best wishes Paul Miller

STAFFING

We are delighted to announce that Miss Kayleigh Sibthorpe is expecting a baby in October. We wish Miss Sibthorpe and her partner many congratulations. Details of Miss Sibthorpe's maternity leave cover will be notified to parents once these have been finalised much nearer to the time.

YEAR 5 & YEAR 6

Body Awareness Parental Meeting

Wednesday, 21st June

5pm - 6pm

A chance to view the resources used to deliver this important aspect of our children's education.

YEAR 6 SHOW

Wednesday, 5th July at 7pm

A leaver's performance of the show 'School Days' for our Year 6 parents and relatives to enjoy. All roles have been allocated, so lines can be learnt! Further information to follow after half term.

Next Half Term

Date	
5th June	Back to School
12th June - 16th June	Year 6 Ironbridge Trip Year 5 Bikeability
16th June	Year 5 Give Your School the Run Around Celebration
21st June	Year 2 Cuffley Camp
24th June	Summer Fair
26th June	Year 1 Paradise Park Trip
28th June - 30th June	Year 5 Burwell House
30th June	Pop Up Uniform Shop 8 - 9.15am Year 4 Kentwell Hall
4th July	District Sports 9.30am - 12noon (reserve date 5th July)
5th July	Year 6 End of Year Show - 7pm
7th July	Year 4 Class Assembly
10th July	Sports Day (reserve date 17th July)
12th July	Open Evening 5.30pm-7.30pm
13th July	Year 6 Visit their Secondary School
14th July	Kingfisher Council Pyjama & Ice Lolly Day
18th July	Volunteer Helpers' Assembly
19th July	EYFS Teddy Bears' Picnic
20th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 1.30pm
22nd July	Last Day of Term
1st September	INSET Day
4th September	Autumn Term begins