

Spring Term Issue 1

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# Broxbourne CE Primary School Newsletter

## HEADTEACHER UPDATE

Welcome back and a very Happy New Year to you all. We trust the Christmas break offered the chance to celebrate, enjoy and recharge before this week's return to school. The New Year always offers much hope and the opportunity to perhaps try something new or different, or even strive to improve some aspect in some way. We have been encouraging our children to reflect upon this and make the most of the many gifts they each have to offer, to do good with these and be the best they can possibly be.

This Sunday, at the 9:30am service, it is our third 'Broxbourne Goes to Church' focus service and this time, this coincides with the celebration of epiphany and indeed 'bacon butty' Sunday. We hope as many Broxbourne families are able to join us and celebrate and enjoy worshipping together at the start of the New Year.

In response to feedback within last year's parental survey, we have revised our mid-year reporting format and have introduced some important 'core' disposition and attitudes to learning attributes, which will be denoted explicitly, within the report. Our staff have started working on these and over this half term I will be reading each and every report, before these are sent home on Friday, 9th February. These reports will then form the basis of the Parental Consultation Evenings following the half term break. We think these improvements will enhance the quality of information you receive and make the vitally important home school partnership even more effective. Next week, our Pupil Progress Meetings are scheduled. All classes and pupils will have their progress reviewed to this point and related future targets and most importantly, the strategies to get our children to their targets, discussed in detail with the Senior Leadership Team of our school. It is always inspiring to see just how well our collective staff know our children and to see the work they have been producing.

We hope to see you on Sunday and that your weekends prove relaxing and enjoyable.

Wishing you all a positive 2018.

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### KS2 WINTER GAMES KIT

- Kingfisher Blue/Navy Blue reversible games shirt
- Navy games shorts
- School hockey/football socks (thick, pale blue)
- Shin pads
- Football boots **and** a pair of trainers
- Mouthguard

A plain navy tracksuit can be worn during cold weather. All the above items are expected every Monday and are **in addition to their PE Kit which is kept in school every day**. Even if your child says they know they are doing a particular sport, this may change due to weather conditions or staffing. If children are well enough to be in school they are expected to participate in games.

### RECEPTION (EY2) ADMISSIONS 2018/2019

The closing date for submitting an application for a Reception place, date of birth between 1st September 2013 and 31st August 2014, for the year 2018/2019 is Monday, 15th January 2018.

### NURSERY (EY1) ADMISSIONS 2018/2019

Applications will open shortly. If you have a younger sibling, born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015, and you wish your child to attend Nursery, please ensure we have their details on the database. This will enable us to send the relevant application forms to you. Thank you.

### CLOTHING BANK

Don't forget we have a clothing bank in the school car park.

Payment is made to the school for every tonne of clothing/items the school collects, which will go towards governors' funds. All monies raised are used for the benefit of the school. Items that are acceptable are as follows:

Adult clothing, children's clothing, bedding, towels, paired shoes, handbags and soft toys

The following items are NOT accepted

Rags, pillows, duvets, books, bric-a-brac, toys, glass, metal and paper

Please ensure all items are in bags and not loose. The school will only be paid for good quality, reusable items, so please do not fill the bank with things that do not fall in this category!

Thank you in advance for your support with this.

**YEAR 3 &  
YEAR 4  
SWIMMING**

**All forms  
(permission and  
medical), along  
with initial  
payment were  
due to be  
returned today,  
Friday, 5th  
January.**