

7th July 2017



# Broxbourne CE Primary School Newsletter

## HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE

Year 4 shared all their recent learning from the year in a wonderful assembly this morning. Tudors, tigers, Austrians, Spaniards, Harry Potter Solicitors, game-show hosts and wild life experts all featured along with some rather stupendous singing. Year 4 have had a brilliant year and we all enjoyed their extravaganza. Thank you and well done to them and to Miss Tetlow and Mrs Gallagher for putting this all together.

On Tuesday around 40 of our Year 3 to 6 children represented the school at the 64<sup>th</sup> Annual District Sports event. Some fine performances saw a number of our athletes and relay teams make the final in their event, which is excellent. Our individual District Champion was Max (Y6) in the obstacle race, which is a real achievement. Emily (Y3 beanbag race), our Y6 boys and Y3 girls relay teams also performed brilliantly and came 2<sup>nd</sup> in their respective finals. Overall we placed 9<sup>th</sup> and placings between 9<sup>th</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> were close and only separated by 16 points. The team spirit was very much in evidence and many high fives and congratulations and support were given.  
Well done to all of the team.

Our Year 6 pupils performed their leavers' show entitled 'School Daze' to 130 relatives on Wednesday night and to the school on Monday causing much mirth. Their singing, acting and dancing entertained all assembled on each occasion.

Year 6 also received their SAT results this week and we are delighted with these outcomes. I wish to congratulate Year 6 on these achievements and thank Mrs Zvandasara, Miss Parkinson, Mrs Mills and Mrs Melidoro for their roles in ensuring Year 6 have had such a successful end to the year. Our governors also send their congratulations and greatly enjoyed the performance.

We look forward to this Sunday's 'Broxbourne Goes to Church' at 9.30am St Augustine's Church and Sports Day on Monday, 10th July - 9.30am-10.30am for our EYFS children and 10.30am - 2.30pm for Year1 - Year 6. We hope many of you are able to join us for both.

In the case of our Sports Day, in the event of poor weather we make and communicate a decision by 8:30. We hope for a fine and successful day.

We hope your weekends are enjoyable and the British Lions secure the series tomorrow...

Best wishes Paul Miller

### **STAFFING**

We are delighted to advise you that Mrs Lorraine Luckhurst will be taking over the role of School Business Manager from September 2017. Mrs Janet Boguzas will continue in an advisory and support role one day a week. Miss Mary Jaques will be joining the office team as Breakfast and After School Club Administrator. Mrs Lisa Draper will also join the EY2 team each morning.

We wish them every success in their new roles.

### **STAFFING OPPORTUNITIES**

We still have the following positions available to start in September 2017.

#### **BREAKFAST CLUB PLAYWORKER**

5 hours per week (7.50am—8.50am, Monday - Friday) term time only

H1

#### **MIDDAY SUPERVISOR**

7.5 hours per week (1.5 hours per day, Monday - Friday) term time only

HB

Please call into the office if you are interested in either position. The closing date is Friday, 14th July and interviews are expected to take place on Tuesday, 18th July.

### **OPEN EVENING**

Open Evening is an opportunity to visit your child's class to look at the work they have been doing and to celebrate all of our children's achievements. Please also take the chance to visit the whole school, including EYFS. The children have so much wonderful work to share with you.

Additionally, the following will take place in the school hall.

6.30pm Gymnastics Display

In order to comply with our single point of entry and exit system all those attending must sign in and out at the school office.

Children's books will be available for their own parents to look at. A report, showing children's effort, attainment and attendance has been sent out today. Teachers are unable to discuss individual children, on this occasion.

We welcome the whole family to Open Evening, but ask you to remember that your children are your responsibility throughout the evening and we cannot accept any responsibility for children playing on the field. Children should **not** go on the Pirate Ship, the EYFS climbing frame, the trim trail or down into the lower meadow at any time during the evening.

We look forward to meeting as many parents as possible to enjoy all the children's work displayed around our School.

Thank you.

## LIBRARY BOOKS

KS2 Library books to be returned by Wednesday, 12th July.

EY2 & KS1 Library books to be returned by Thursday, 13th July.

Thank you.

## MUMPS

A message from Public Health England: In recent weeks across the country there has been a significant increase in reported cases of mumps among children and young adults.

Mumps is a viral illness that is spread by coughs and sneezes or close contact with someone who already has the infection.

Children who have never previously had MMR vaccine or have only had one dose of it, should contact their GP surgery to arrange to catch up with outstanding doses. Those who have already had one dose of MMR vaccine as a young child will only need one further dose, no matter how long ago a first dose was given. It is never too late to have the vaccine if you haven't had two doses.

If you would like more information about MMR please visit  
[www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/pages/mmr-vaccine.aspx](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/pages/mmr-vaccine.aspx)

## SUMMER READING CHALLENGE: ANIMAL AGENTS

Hertfordshire libraries are getting their magnifying glasses ready. Why? Animal Agents are coming, as part of the 2017 Summer Reading Challenge.

Research shows that the Summer Reading Challenge helps to tackle the problem of children getting out of the habit of reading during the school holidays, helping to improve children's confidence then sends them back to school fired up, ready to learn. It is the UK's biggest promotion of children reading - last year over 20,000 Hertfordshire children took part and it's free.

The children are challenged to read six library books or eBooks of their choice during the holidays. For every two books they read, they are rewarded two stickers. When they have completed the challenge, they will receive a wristband and are invited to a presentation ceremony where they will be given a certificate and medal.

Animal Agents packs will be available in all Hertfordshire public libraries from Saturday, 15th July whilst stocks last, finishing on Saturday, 9th September. Further information can be found at  
[www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/libraries).

## CHESS

Congratulations to Alex, in Year 4, who won the Big Small Chess Tournament in Letchworth on 24th June. His trophy and medal were presented by a Grand Master. All good preparation for the Giga Final in July!