



Bradfield C of E (Aided) Primary School

9th October 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

Latest News...

Footpath across the field

Many thanks to the Parish Council who have organised and funded a footpath across from the playing field to the cricket field. I am sure this will benefit anyone who regularly walks through these fields.

Maths Evening

We held a very successful maths evening for parents on the 28th October. Thank you very much to all those attended. If you were unable to make it, please do look at the accompanying slides that we sent out last week. We have also put the corresponding calculation policy on the website.

PTA

Following the PTA AGM we now have a new PTA committee in place. Thank you very much to our outgoing committee who have achieved great things for the school over the last 2 years. We are delighted to introduce Barry Wiggly as the new chair, Darren Blackwood as treasurer and Philly Peters as secretary. A huge thank you to them and to many others who have offered their ongoing support to the PTA. The PTA has also agreed to fund a new smartboard for our Y2 classroom which we hope will be installed imminently.

Harvest

Thank you so much to all of you for your generous harvest offerings and for attending our Harvest service. The donations of food have gone to the Readi-Food food bank in Reading.

Logo Launch

We are now ready to introduce our new logo, designed by children. This will be used on our letters to start with and then as you need to replace uniform, you can purchase it with the new logo. **There is no need to buy new uniform.**

Curriculum Enrichment

We are continuing to work on the development of a stimulating topic based curriculum to capture children's interests and develop an enthusiasm for learning. So far this term we have had:

- Forest School at Rushall Farm for our new Reception children
- An Anglo-Saxon experience afternoon for Rowan Class
- Bikeability for our Year 5 children

Coming up...

- Rowan class trip to Ufton Court to explore aspects of life in Celtic Britain.
- Willow Class will be performing a short poem/drama at Theale Library on Friday 13th October at 1.30pm, to celebrate the opening of the new library.

Other News...

- **Individual school photos** by Tempest will be this Wednesday from 9.00am. We will also do sibling groups. Don't forget to dress your children smartly on this day.
- **Parents Evenings** are coming up on the 16th and 17th of October. Please let us know your preferred time by Tuesday 10th October. If your child is eligible for pupil premium funding, this is a good opportunity to discuss how we can best use it to support their needs. Please ask the class teacher if you are unsure.
- We have an **open morning for prospective parents** on Thursday 19th October and Thursday 2nd November from 9.30-11.00am. Please share this with any friends and relatives who may be interested. More details on our website at <http://bradfieldceprimary.co.uk/open-mornings-for-prospective-new-starters-sept-2018/>
- Don't forget that there is a **non-uniform day** on Friday 20th October. All proceeds to the PTA.
- **Pantomime tickets** for Peter Pan at the Hexagon on Saturday 16th December 2017 at 5pm are still available at a cost of £18 each. Please see Pippa Jones.
- **Job opportunities:** We have three posts available currently: Lunchtime Controller on Fridays 12 – 1.15pm to start as soon as possible, Lunchtime Controller every day 12-1.15pm to start January 2018 and Teaching Assistant, Monday – Friday, 25 hours per week (maternity cover) to start January 2018. If you are interested in any of these positions please contact the school office by email at finance@bradfieldceprimary.co.uk or telephone 01189744304
- We have made a **small timing change to the end of full terms**. This is a governor decision to support staff wellbeing and to bring us in line with other local schools. It means that at Christmas, our end of term Christingle service will start at the earlier time of 1.30 and end at 2.00pm. This will also be the case for our Easter Service and our end of year service at Bradfield College will start at 1.00pm. Pick up time on all three days will be 2.00pm.

Reminders

- After School Clubs – parents are very welcome to watch children participating in a club outside on the field. If you arrive after the gate has been closed, please call at Reception for entry.
- A polite reminder that children are not allowed on the playground equipment before and after school as they are not supervised by school staff.
- A polite reminder to parents who wait in the FS2 class outdoor area, please encourage children not to play with the activities that have been set out before the session.

With best wishes,

Jenny

For all dates of upcoming events please visit our website at

<http://bradfieldceprimary.co.uk/virtual-office/calendar/>

Netball Club 10th October

There will be NO NETBALL CLUB after school on Tuesday 10th October 2017.

After school clubs

Parents/Carers are welcome to come and watch the after school clubs on the school field, but must report to the office to be allowed in after the club has started.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Girls Basketball

Basketball, England would like to invite all girls between the ages of 9 and 14yrs to discover basketball at one of their Open Days: 7th October at Kings School, Winchester, SO22 5PN
8th October at Aylesbury High School, Aylesbury, HP21 7SX

For further information email
GO4SOUTHRPC@gmail.com

Performers Club

Thursday mornings from 8am in the hall. Spaces available.

Email Harry Goff at
info@theperformersclub.co.uk for more information.

NO PARKING IN STAFF CAR PARK

Please do not park in the staff car park – even to pick up or drop off children. This needs to be kept clear for staff, and it is safer for everyone if only staff use it. Please remember you can park in the village hall car park or the Queen's Head car park and walk to school.

Reading Football Club soccer schools

October half term and Christmas holidays – various venues across the area.

For more information and to book please ring 01189681460/1480 or check
www.community.readingfc.co.uk

**Parents Evenings**

Please remember to return your reply slips about times for parents' evenings on Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th October. You can email in your preferred times if it is easier. You will be informed of your allocated slots shortly.

U10 - U11 Junior Drama Workshop

On Saturday 11th November 2017 9.30 – 12.30pm at Queen Anne's School.

Whether you love to act or you are a complete beginner this workshop is for you.

Guitar lessons

Spaces are available for guitar lessons on a Friday. If your child is interested please contact Berkshire Maestros on 01189012370 or email admin@berkshiremaestros.org.uk

**Reading Rockets Basketball**

Basketball camps for 5 – 10 yr olds and 11 – 16 yr olds on Tuesday 24th and Thursday 26th Oct 2017 at the John Madejski Academy, Reading, RG2 8DF.

For more information and to book call 01189263040 or go to www.readingrockets.co.uk

Tennis Club Y1 and Y2 Weds mornings

Spaces still available for this club run by Bradfield Tennis Centre on Wednesday mornings in the school hall. If your child is interested please ask for a registration form from the office.

**Jubilee Cadets holiday club**

Woodland holiday club is open during the October half term for 5 – 11yr olds weekdays from 8am – 6pm.

Book your place online at www.jubileecadets.com or call 01189713840