

Braywood Newsletter



Getting ready for a
brilliant 2019!

Spring 2019



What is happening this term?

Friday 1 st February	Year 1 trip to Milestones
Thursday 7 th February	Year 2 trip to Reading Museum
Thursday 7 th February	Year 3 trip to Kidzania
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Monday 8 th until Friday 22 nd April	EASTER BREAK



Working alongside parents

Monday 11th February - Year 2, 3 & 4 from 9am – 6pm

Tuesday 12th February - Year 1 and F from 1pm - 6pm

The Year 1 and Foundation parents are invited into school to discuss their child's education with their class teacher from 1pm to 6pm on Tuesday 12th February for 10-minute periods. The older children will be attending the consultation with their teacher and parents as we are keen for the children to deliver their learning objectives. For this reason, the sessions will be running from 9am to 6pm and will be 15 minutes.

Sessions are arranged on eschool. Bookings will be available

on Friday 1st February

Please note

We are tweeting every day so please come and join us!



What has been happening in school?

Some of the trips and visitors we have had this term

Christmas Celebrations

All the Christmas events last year went very well.

Thank you for all coming and supporting the school so well especially with the Christingle service in Church, that was such a good turnout.

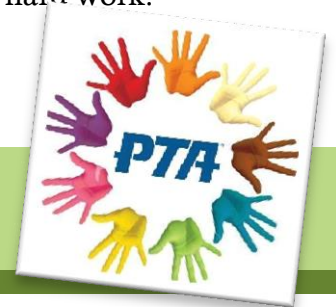
Visit to Ufton Court

Ufton Court is an amazing trip and the Year 3 children really benefitted from this experience. The children would have really experienced life as a person in Roman times!



Christmas Fair!

This event went really well with so many of you staying to explore the stalls. We raised an amazing £1,800. We are raising money for Maths equipment in school. Thanks to the PTA for all their hard work.



PTA update

Hi Everyone,

Firstly Happy New Year! We hope you enjoyed the festive season and got at least some time for some R&R. Thank you to everyone who helped out with the Christmas Fair. We raised just over £1800 – which is a fantastic amount!

We have had some great support from parents helping out behind the scenes, from cutting out art packs, to making sweet cones, to folding raffle tickets, to manning the stalls! Every bit of help really does make a difference and is greatly appreciated.

We will be having a look at events for 2019. We will be looking at the school schedule to have events, that

will coincide with school events. If you have any ideas for fundraising – we would love to hear them! Either send your idea via email to braywoodpta@gmail.com or pop along to a meeting.

Next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday 24th January 2019 at 8pm** at the Jolly Gardner If you are able to make it – please just let Corrina or Cat know so we can keep you in the loop.

Coming up...

Second Hand Uniform – We will run a Second Hand Uniform Sale before Easter – as the school switches to Summer Uniform after Easter. We have a lot of uniform stock and most of it is

in excellent condition! As we have so much stock we need a couple of volunteers to help sort and size the stock – making it easier to sell. If you would like to help out please let either Corrina or Nietta know and we can arrange a sorting date.

We have a couple of other events in mind – which we will need to confirm dates – (part of the meeting on 24th Jan) and we will get those out to you ASAP to put into your diaries.

Once again, many thanks for your continued support.

Friends of Braywood PTA.



Events coming up soon!

Breaking News

We have a full page spread in the Maidenhead Advertiser on how our school is introducing Squash at grass roots. With the help of England Squash, we hope to roll this out to all schools in Windsor

Parents' Consultations

All the children are busy working on their targets as this term is all about 'Going for Goals'.

In preparation for the forthcoming consultations all the pupils will have time with their teacher to discuss their specific targets. Year 3 and 4 are very busy preparing their presentations regarding their learning in the classroom.

Whether you are arriving in school time or after school **please come to Year 2 to sign in** and a member of the office staff will direct you to the appropriate class teacher. There will be more detailed information to follow in the office messages.

Head lice

Please be advised that we have an outbreak of head lice in school. Please check your child's hair for everyone's convenience. Thank you!

Wellington Boots

Don't forget to bring in an old pair of your child's wellington boots so that your child can play on the field.

Green redeem

Thank you for donating your Green redeem points to our school. We are delighted to say that we have been awarded £1,000 for being in the top 5 with the most points!

This money will go towards three areas - our Eco Club, the work we are doing with our foundation garden and the year group vegetable boxes.

END OF TERM

**School closes on Friday
15th February at 2pm.
There is no after school
club on this day.**

Subject Days

ICT – 5th February

Literacy – 7th March

Maths – 14th March

Science – 21st March

All these days will have a focus on their specific subject area.

On World Book Day – Thursday 7th March - we will all dress up as our favourite character and have our usual disco in the afternoon. The disco will be during the school day. This is a change from

usual but should be more convenient for parents.

During the afternoon parents are invited into school from 2pm to share a book with their child. If you would like to take up this opportunity please inform your class teacher.

We have an author visiting the school prior to World Book day. His name is Josh Lacey and he has written a series of books on dragons.

Trips this Term

Year 1 are visiting Milestones as time travellers as this museum goes back in time through different eras.

Year 2 are visiting the Reading Museum to have a workshop on Victorian Toys. This is related to their topic and will be their 'Wow' day.

Year 3 are discovering more about the workplace. This is a very independent type of trip where children are free to explore different vocations in a safe environment.

Year 4 are attending a Tag Rugby festival with many other schools in Windsor.

Curriculum Meetings

There will be an opportunity to find out more about the KS1 SATs in Year 2 and the Phonics Test in Year 1 in the curriculum meeting on World Book Day at 3pm. A crèche will be provided.

Social Media

We are fortunate to be able to communicate with each other in lots of different ways.

As a school we use our eschools platform for many purposes, but probably the most important of these is our payment and communication systems. Eschool's messages from all teachers will be posted on Sundays and the office will always post letters on Fridays so you should only need to check your platform on Mondays.

To support this process the office have a weekly email that will be sent to your personal email and placed on your platform together with this newsletter which covers items in more depth.

If you want to speak to your child's teacher they are outside at the beginning and the end of the day. Messages can be sent to the office and they will be forwarded to the class teacher who will respond as soon as possible.

You may be aware that we tweet every day and you are most welcome to follow us.

As regards to other means of communication each class has a WhatsApp platform and the PTA have a Facebook page. Both areas are for positive forms of communication and fall under our Social Media policy (See attached)

Easter Concert

The Easter Concert is again on the last day of term at 1.30pm. The performance should finish at 2pm when the school closes for the Easter break.

Please be advised that Bray Cricket Club will be available and that it is very important to park courteously and if possible car share.

There will be a slight change to the organisation of this event. Parents will be asked to drop their child off at church at 8.45-9am on the morning of the Easter Concert at church.

This will save the school a lot of money on coach costs and will allow us to rehearse on site.

Your child will need a packed lunch on that day. A school packed lunch specifically for this event must be ordered by the 1st March from the office.

Teaching and learning

Changes to our Behaviour Policy

We do have very good behaviour across our school, only last week two separate visitors commented upon how polite and helpful they found our children.

To build upon this success we have made some slight changes that your child may come home and talk about. This is to reflect two areas:

1. Clarity - we are going to have just three rules across the school. **'Ready, Respectful and Safe'.**

2. Celebrate more pupils' good behaviour - good choices will be celebrated more overtly by placing that child on the green traffic light system or cloud instead of everyone automatically starting on the green every day.

Our Monday Celebration Assembly is where children are congratulated in front of the whole school. Each teacher chooses one or two children who have excelled last week and they will have lunch with Mrs Calvert in the staff room. A child

is also chosen to have the Kindness Award and is allowed to hold the candle during our prayers. The class who have eaten their lunch politely and quietly for our lunchtime controllers receives 5 minutes additional playtime.

Additional awards are for excellent performance in reading, writing or Y4 times tables where the child receives a book or a pencil. Spelling or maths competencies which are correct three times in a row receive a gold sticker and good presentation gets a handwriting certificate or a pen.



Reminders

PLEASE REMEMBER NO TRIM TRAIL AFTER SCHOOL DURING THESE WET MONTHS.

Could parents also remember not to walk through the Lychgate and in front of our neighbour's kitchen when you come into school nor allow children to run and play on the gravestones. These are not agreed ways to come into school.



This space is going to be for cars who have been spotted parking or moving the car dangerously.

What is happening this term?

Wednesday 23 rd January	Governor Moderation Session with other partner schools
Thursday 24 th January	PTA Meeting at 8pm at the Jolly Gardner
Monday 28 th January	Buttercup visit for Foundation
Tuesday 29 th January	Tag Rugby Festival for Year 4
Friday 1 st February	Milestones visit for Year 1
Tuesday 5 th February	Safer Internet Day for whole school
Thursday 7 th February	Reading Museum Trip for Year 2
Thursday 7 th February	Kidzania Trip for Year 3
Monday 11 th February	Year 2, 3 and 4 Parent – Teacher – Child Consultations 9am -6pm
Tuesday 12 th February	Year F and 1 Parent – Teacher Consultations 1- 6pm
Friday 15 th February	Last day at school. We close at 2pm
Monday 18 th until Friday 22 nd February	HALF TERM
Monday 25 th February	Back to school at 8.45am
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day for whole school Reading in school from 2pm
Thursday 7 th March	Curriculum Meeting on KS1 SATs and Phonics Test at 3pm
Thursday 14 th March	World Maths Day for whole school
Friday 15 th March	Red Nose Day
Thursday 21 st March	Entrepreneurial Day for the whole school
Wednesday 27 th March	Family Assembly at 9am – guest speaker
Friday 5 th April	Easter Concert Rehearsal at 9am and Easter Concert at 1.30pm at Bray Church. School closes at 2pm
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Wednesday 24 th April	Back to School at 8.45am



Monday	Judo Years 1,2,3 & 4	3.15-4.15
	Netball Years 3 & 4	3.15-4.15
Wednesday	Chelsea Football	
	Foundation	2.45-3.15
	Years 1,2,3 & 4	3.15-4.15
	Ballet Years 1&2	3.15-4.00
	Ballet Years 3+	4.00-4.45
	Modern/Tap dance 2+	4.45-5.30
Thursday	Sewing Years 1-4	3.20-4.35
	Squash (next term)	3.15-4.15
Friday	Yoga Class	3.15-4.30
	Yr1,2,3 & 4	

Braywood Extra - Squirrel Club

Menu	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	Chicken Korma and Rice	Pasta Bake and Salad	Chicken Fingers and Chips	Spaghetti Bolognaise and Salad	Sandwiches or toasties and crudities
Week 2	Pasta Bake and Salad	Pizza and Salad	Fish Fingers and Smilies	Sausage and Mash	Sandwiches or toasties and crudities
Week 3	Burger and Waffles	Spanish Chicken and Rice	Sausage and Chips	Chicken Pasta Bake and Salad	Sandwiches or toasties and crudities
Snacks & Puddings	All sessions start with a snack of Rice Cakes, Biscuits or Fresh Salad and Hummus All meals finish with a pudding of - Yogurts, Swis Roll, Jelly, Ice Cream, Flapjacks and a variety of fruit.				

Activities	
Monday	Creative Activities
Tuesday	Decorate biscuit, pizza etc
Thursday	Cinema and read with pupils
We are planning for a homework Club over the next few months	



Kind Regards

Susan Calvert

Theme – New beginnings, ambition and determination

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