



Braywood News

Aspire, Learn, Achieve together

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'For with God nothing shall be impossible' Luke 1:37.

Another busy half-term completed with a lot of mixed weather! The children have been really engaged with their learning, from Chocolate in Year 4, to volcanoes in Year 3, the wonders of Madagascar in Year 2, the plains of Africa in Year 1 and the wonderful world of Minibeasts in Early Years.

Governors

A huge welcome to Mr Martin Denny as our new chair of Governors, following Anne Farley's well-deserved retirement. We are currently looking for another parent governor; if you are interested in this valuable and rewarding role, please contact Mr Denny through the school office.



Mr Martin Denny

Chair of Governors

Our three children have all been through Braywood, and as a family we have enjoyed greatly being part of this special School. The children have benefitted enormously from the careful and kind nurturing, and outstanding education given to them; they move on in life well-prepared and with a solid tool-kit. I became a Parent Governor two years ago, and am now delighted to move to being Chair. It is a great privilege to be Chair of Governors, a role which affords me the opportunity to give something back to the School, in return for everything this wonderful place has done for us.

In School



Year 3 had an exciting talk about our Extreme Earth where they learned about tectonic plates and the build-up of pressure beneath the earth's surface. They also made a series of small buildings to go above a seismograph to see the effects of an earthquake on the buildings and how a seismograph works. They were challenged to think about ways in which buildings could be designed to withstand earthquakes and shockwaves.



Year 4 have been learning all about chocolate this term – Where does it come from? How is it made? They have then had fun designing and creating their own delicious products.





Attendance Matters



Thank you as well to all parents and carers for continuing to bring children into school every day and supporting strong attendance across the school. We are really pleased that attendance at Braywood is currently above the national average, which is a fantastic achievement for the school community.

We would also like to remind parents that if you need to take your child out of school for an extended period of time, a holiday request form must be completed in advance. As per government guidance, holidays taken during term time are unauthorised and we strongly discourage families from taking holidays during the school term wherever possible. Thank you for your continued support with this. Every moment of every day truly does count in a child's education, and strong attendance has a significant impact on children's learning, progress and wellbeing.

Olivia!

There are still tickets available for our Y3& Y4 production of Olivia at The Old Court in Windsor on Wednesday 8th July and Thursday 9th July. Please support this event by purchasing tickets through their website <https://tickets.oldcourt.org/sales>



PTA

Thank you to all supported us with the May Fun Run. There are many ways you can continue to support us:

Offering time to help at or attend events, raising the profile of Braywood CE First School, donating items – please see the link to our wish list below or donating money towards the purchase of these items. A big thank you to Mr Denny for providing the school with a guillotine (only for paper)!

Wish list -

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Kt2bzrk_UjrEoc9ldQSSVfq2kotrEDPw3M7HeVryZus/edit?usp=drive_sdk

Bank Details: Friends of Braywood Sort code: 23-05-80 Account Number: 36267534

Could we also urge you to try and use Easyfundraising every time you shop online. This is a fantastic way to raise money for the school at no cost to yourself. If you haven't signed up already, you can find our easyfundraising page here:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/braywoodfirstschool/?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=pmc&utm_content=email-2

Dates for this Year

Date	Event
	HALF TERM
Monday 1st June	Term Starts
w/c Monday 1st June	Y4 Multiplication Tables Check
Wednesday 3rd June	YR Sharing Assembly 9.00am
w/c Monday 8th June	Phonics Testing Y1
Wednesday 10th June	YR, Y1, Y2 &3 Bracknell Forest Look Out Discovery
Mon 22nd/Tues 23rd June	Program and Build Day Y2, Y3 & Y4
Friday 26th June	Sports Day 12pm
Tuesday 30th June	Y3/4 Production rehearsal, the Old Court, Windsor
Wednesday 1st July	Y1 Sharing Assembly 9.00 am
Thursday 2nd July	Y4 Transition Day
Friday 3rd July	Y4 Transition Day
Friday 3rd July	New Reception intake Teddy Bears Picnic 2 – 4 pm
Wednesday 8th July	Y3/4 Production the Old Court, Windsor 6pm Y1 &Y2 to watch afternoon show
Thursday 9th July	Y3/4 Production the Old Court, Windsor 6pm
Friday 10th July	Rock Steady Concert 2.15pm
Tuesday 14th July	Y4 Braywick and Crazy Golf Day
Thursday 16th July	Summer Fair p.m.
Friday 17th July	Y4 Leavers' Assembly 9.30 am
Friday 17th July	End of Term 1.30 pm
	SUMMER HOLIDAY
Tuesday 1st September	INSET Day
Wednesday 2nd September	INSET Day
Thursday 3rd September	Term Starts

"Spring is when life's alive in everything." - Christina Rossetti

Thank you for all your support,

Mrs Cole

Headteacher



Oakley Green Open Gardens

Sunday 28 June
11am - 4pm

£8 / person in advance
£10 / person on the day
Under 12's FREE

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