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# Brill Church Of England School

## With the Wind in our Sails

### ACADEMY NEWS May 10th 2019

The last two weeks have raced by and have included many planned learning and enrichment opportunities and have also included a surprise visit from Her Majesty's Inspectors, Ofsted!

#### Ofsted Visit

I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your active participation in giving feedback to our OFSTED Inspector. We had a good number of responses and comments were very positive. Thank you. Your input is hugely important and valuable; we really appreciate it.



To give a little context to what happens next, there is a very specific process that is followed from this point. We will hear back from OFSTED within 14 days from the day of the inspection to inform us of the outcome of the inspection. At that point, I will be back in touch to communicate with you.

The children, staff and governors were incredible during the visit. We made an intentional effort to present 'business as usual'. I told the children the day before, that we would have a visitor in on Tuesday and made it very clear to them that we would be doing what we do every day of the week. Our children were very articulate and very engaging and behaved as they usually would at any point when I walk around school. Thank you again for your input and feedback and I look forward to getting in touch once we have heard the outcome of the inspection.

#### Our Library

Our school library is a fantastic facility and is currently supported by a small but dedicated team of parent volunteers. In order for the children to get the most out of this resource, we need additional volunteer support. Training will be given on how to use the library software so all that is required is enthusiasm and a willingness to encourage the children to explore the incredible range of books available. It's a really rewarding way to get involved with the school and to help the children gain a love of reading. If a parent, grandparent or friend of the school has an hour a week that they could spare (time can be flexible but during school hours), please contact the office.

Additionally, we would like to offer parents the opportunity to visit the school library and help their child with book choices. This will take place during our monthly class drop-in sessions (usually on the first Monday of the month however please note that the June date will be 10th June) between 3-3.30.

Finally we would also like to say a huge thank you to Andrea Keegan who, after investing a huge amount of time and energy into the success of our school library, is taking a step back from library duties. The library would not be the amazing resource it is without her input.




**Primary Zone—Safer Internet**

Click [here](#) for resources and support about internet safety. On this website you will find films, storybooks and other fun sites, with plenty of information to help you enjoy your time online and stay safe on the internet.

What are SMART rules? Find out on the [link](#) and make sure you follow those rules at all times to ensure you stay safe! If any of our children or families in school have any concerns around their child's internet use, do please contact us in school. We are keen to add additional specific help where it is required to properly educate our pupils with the knowledge they need to stay safe online!

Meet our Chess Champions! We are likely to see some more Chess activity within school over the coming months. If any of our children are interested in finding out more about Chess, do come and speak to Mrs Baker and she'll point you in the direction of the experts!



# News Cont.

## Yr 6 Fundraising Day

Our wonderful Y6 pupils have decided that as their 'after SATs treat,' they would like to raise money for two cancer charities. From the words of Y6: *As a class, we wanted to have a treat that was fun but also helped those who were less fortunate than ourselves. We decided to do a 'fun run' (during the school day) and a bake and book sale (after school, 3pm) as we wanted everyone to take part and enjoy it.*

If you'd like to support Y6 with their fundraiser, please sponsor your child to take part in the 'fun run' that Y6 will be organising on the Friday afternoon (during the school day). Suggested sponsorship is £1 and all children taking part, can come into school in 'sportswear mufti.'

Any donations, of the edible variety, for the cake sale will also be greatly received. Please also bring change, and an appetite, for the bake sale which will be held on the playground at 3pm. In addition to the bake sale, we will also have available (for a small donation) a selection of old, but lovely, books from our school library. These are mainly aimed at EYFS and KS1.

Thank you, in advance, for your support.

# Sporting / Extra Curricular News

## Year 5/6 Girls Football League Match v William Harding

Fresh from the Easter break the Yr 5/6 girls football team went to William Harding School. The weather was not kind and the rain was relentless but it did not put the girls off. They battled hard but that all elusive goal did not come with the final score 3-0 to William Harding. Well done Georgia A, Alice C, Ellie E-M, Francine E, Leah G, Ivy H, Sophia H-C, Ayjah S, Evie T and Holly W.

## Yrs 3/4 Football Friendly v Haddenham

We took two teams to a friendly against Haddenham Junior School. Both teams played with great skill and determination ending with a 4-4 draw and a 5-4 loss. Well played Callum B, Harry Ch, Ewan M, Ryan W, Lucas M, Rafe V, Tyler M, Alfie F, Franco CP, Arthus H, Hugo H, Harry Ca.

## Yrs 3/4 Girls Football Development Festival

The aim of this festival was to introduce girls to the game of football providing them with a mixture of coaching via a carousel of activities and then the chance to play some small matches. Macy G (Yr 3) said "We were all put into groups which were named after different countries—just like we were in the World Cup Final!. We did some activities such as dribbling a ball through some gates and I really enjoyed the matches. I had lots of fun and got to meet lots of new friends." Well done Layla A, Ava B, Ava Bl, Lilly K, Grace T, Elodie B, Emily C, Emilia A, Maya S, Lyla V, Harriet B, Rose P, Sienna H-C, Maisie H, Georgia M, Sophie P, Macy G, Eva R, Tessa T, Sophie P, Maggie G, Lillie K, Eliza K, Mia K and Ella R.

## KS1 Indoor Athletics Festival

We took a team to the KS1 Athletics festival where the children had to compete in various activities including hurdles, javelin and sprinting, which our Brill team were exceptional at. Once the scores were counted, our team had come 1st! Well done George, Tilly B, Edward, Lara, Tessa and Jacob.

## Yr 5/6 Quick Sticks Hockey Festival, Waddesdon

We took two teams to the Waddesdon festival this year. There was some amazing play by both teams with one of our teams coming third in their pool and the other team winning all their matches to make it through to the final. The final was a tense affair with the teams evenly matched however Brill came out the victors winning 3-2 against Long Crendon. Congratulations to Nina B, Harry Ch, Sam G-H, Ivy H and Sophia H-C who came a brilliant 6th place overall and Olly C, Francine E, Freddy H and Annabel W who won the tournament. A special mention to Ivy and Nina who both helped the team out subbing for injuries in both a pool match and the final and to Harry Ch (Yr 4) who stepped in a the last minute and played for the B team.



# Notices

*In order to comply with GDPR you will find all posters/details regarding outside companies/ holiday clubs/ activities/events on our Newsletter page of our Website under [Downloadable Documents](#).*

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