

Broughton Primary School Newsletter

Monday
23rd September 2019



Wk 16/09/2019		
	Attendance	Unauthorised
Class 2	100%	0.0%
Class 3	96.2%	0.8%
Class 4	94.6%	3.1%
Class 5	91.9%	0.0%
Class 6	97.8%	0.7%

The **Phonics Evening** for parents/carers of children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be held in our school hall **this evening at 5.30pm**. It would be great to see as many parents in attendance as possible. You will be given the opportunity to explore the phonics resources we use in school and experience a phonics lesson as it would run in your child's class.

KABS (our school parent committee) will be holding a children's Halloween Disco in our school hall on **Thursday 17th October**. More details will follow soon.

Please could all parents/carers have a chat with children about **good hygiene when going to the loo!** Our school toilets have been left in a terrible state this term on a number of occasions, with toilets and sinks over-flowing due to being filled with toilet-paper, puddles on the floor and toilets not being flushed, which as you will understand, is not pleasant for our school cleaner. Many thanks for your support with this issue.

It has come to the attention of our school Directors that there has been an unusually high demand for **term-time holiday requests**. John Macilwraith, Corporate Director of Children's Services in Cumbria, has stated that:

*'Absence from school due to family holidays taken in term time can be disruptive to children's education. It can also be disruptive to other pupils in the class. Any absence from school should be avoided unless for medical reasons, as it can have a serious effect on your child's educational progress, and can create difficulties for them on their return to school, particularly if they are joining a new school or class. Schools can only grant requests for holiday absence in term time **in exceptional circumstances**. If you believe that your circumstances are exceptional you can make a request to the school. Many people are working very hard to help your child to succeed. I trust you will support us in this matter, in partnership with your child's school.'*

A huge thank you for the fantastic response to the **extra-curricular club questionnaire**. There was a great deal of interest in all of the clubs on offer which I will now go on to explore further with a variety of club practitioners. Due to the high level of interest in all of the suggested clubs, I intend to eventually offer 'blocked' sessions of clubs on a termly basis. The most popular choices were: craft, computing, archery and gymnastics, therefore these are the clubs which I will explore as a priority.

Following a meeting of the Directors of the OOSC, the charges for sessions in the club will be increasing as from Monday 6th January 2020. The morning session will be £4.25, half an after school session will be £4.00 and a full session will be £8.00. Thank you for support in this matter.

PLEASE NOTE THE OOSC WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE AFTERNOON ON MONDAY 28th OCTOBER DUE TO STAFF TRAINING

Last term our Nursery children took part in **Barnardos Sponsored Toddle** and raised the fantastic amount of £275! Well done to all the children involved.