

Broughton Moor Primary School



Friday News

A happy Friday to all of you. November has started with a chill and we're glad to see that the children have come to school with 'warm' jackets.

We would like to invite you to an open morning in school on 24th November for you to see how we teach phonics and maths skills in school. This will give you the opportunity to observe (or take part in) our daily phonics and Big Maths sessions as well as a short presentation and question and answer session. If you are unable to attend and would like some support for learning at home or have any questions please call in to ask. Timings: 9.00am Phonics, 9.30am presentation in the hall, 10am Big Maths.

You may have heard about our visit from the Police this week; we can assure you that Pebbles is ok but our children, supported by the police, are still investigating her disappearance. We have a list of suspects which is getting shorter and we will ensure the culprit will be punished. As part of this visit the children were able to see inside a police van, look at how the police solve crimes and discuss their suspicions.

Walking into the Junior classroom yesterday I thought we had had a visit from a famous artist/illustrator as the quality of the Horrid Henry drawings was fantastic. This has once again demonstrated that our children are taking pride in their work and have a drive for improvement. We have also been inundated with questions throughout Maths sessions due to the focus on statistics this week. We have found out that pizza is a favourite meal of the whole school and red is a popular colour.

Certificates this week have been awarded to :

Luke Monkhouse, Matthew Bailey, Scarlett Smith and Sam Atkinson for behaviour.

Well done to everyone for their successes this week.

Governors Update

Julie Crelling has stepped down after 2 years as Chair of Governors. Thanks go to Julie for all her hard work - we're pleased to say that we will still have the benefit of her skills and experience as a governor. Margaret Wiltshire has taken over as Chair of Governors.

We are also pleased to report that we have 2 new governors; Chris Ashcroft, who many of you will know from her work at St Columbas Church and Debbie Dunstin, mum of Bridie who will be a parent governor and we are looking forward to working with both our new colleagues. We still one more vacancy for a parent governor. It's a role that's hard work but rewarding, and gives you a real chance to influence the direction the school takes. If you're a parent or grandparent and are at all interested please get in touch with either Paul Brotherhood or Margaret Wiltshire (m.wiltshire08 @ [gmail.com](mailto:m.wiltshire08@gmail.com)) for further details.

Zig-Zag Lines Outside School

Following a discussion with a police officer can we politely remind you **NOT** to park or drop off on the yellow zig-zags outside school. It might seem like a convenient place to drop off children, but new figures show the number of tickets issued for stopping on the zig-zags outside schools have almost doubled in 2 years. The number of fines issued rose from 14,564 in 2011 to 28,169 in 2013, freedom of information figures obtained by AXA Car Insurance show.

But it seems only 17% of people know stopping on zig-zags is banned at school-run times, their research says. While it may be well known that you can't **park** on yellow zig-zag lines, you also can't **wait** or even **stop momentarily** to drop off or pick up passengers, according to the UK Highway Code.

The Local Government Association explains that this is because parking on yellow zig-zags outside schools puts children at risk, as outside school gates there are lots of children running around, buggy congestion and little ones on scooters and bikes.

Thank you for your co-operation

CHRISTMAS FAIR FRIDAY 2ND DECEMBER 2016

2:00-3:30 PM

The Friends Association Christmas Fair will take place on 2nd December. If you, or anyone you know would like a craft stall, please contact school. Tables cost £5.00 plus the donation of a raffle prize. We are asking for the donation of chocolate for our chocolate tombola and bottles for our bottle stall. We are also looking for donations of raffle prizes. Perhaps you work for a company who would be generous enough to donate? We will also be having a cake stall, so if there are any budding Mary Berry's out there your baking creations will be gratefully received. All help is very much appreciated.

The Friends Association work very hard to raise money, which they spend on the children in school. At present they are arranging a Christmas outing for all the children. More details will follow in the coming weeks.

Daffodil Planting—We still have a lot of daffodils bulbs in school that we would like to plant around the village. Could you spare an hour on Thursday 17th November at 3.15 pm to help the children plant some bulbs? Your help would be very much appreciated. Please let school know if you can help.

Swimming—Our last swimming for this term takes place on Friday 18th November. Swimming will resume on Friday 6th January 2017.

Bonus Ball -Please support the Friends Association fundraising by purchasing a weekly bonus ball number. Numbers cost £1.00 per week for a £30 prize. Please see Mrs Hall.
Numbers available are **11 18 29 51 52 54 56**

Dates for your Diaries

Monday 14th November Prize Bingo 6.30 pm

Tuesday 22nd November Friends Association meeting 3.30 p.m. - to update on the Christmas Fair

Friday 2nd December Christmas Fair 2.00 pm – 3.30 pm

Monday 5th December School Carol Service at 4.00 pm – in school - followed by candlelight parade to the crossroads for the Christmas lights switch on at 5.00pm. This will be followed by refreshments in the community rooms.

Tuesday 6th December Friends Association meeting 3.30 p.m. – *everyone welcome*

Monday 12th December Christingle Service in School 2.30 pm – *everyone welcome*

Monday 12th December Christmas Prize Bingo 6.30 pm

Friday 16th December Christmas Break – finish time to be confirmed.

Thursday 5th January 2017 - school returns

