# Broughton Moor Primary Sch

Happy Monday to you all. It's been a very busy couple of weeks in school for everyone and it's great to be back in our routine. Our visit to the zoo has inspired lots of work so far and the habitats coming into school demonstrates a love of learning from our children. If you get the chance to look at the work so far I'm sure you'll be as delighted as we are with the effort made.

Friday was Jeans for Genes Day. We raised £62.00. Thank you. School council has once again been instrumental in the organisation of a whole school event and we're glad so many people supported it. School council have a few projects they're working on at the moment and we look forward to their continued successes.

We have been busy confirming all of the activities for our Key Stage 2 residential to Edinburgh. Dates can now be confirmed as Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December to Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December. There will be a meeting for parents and carers next month with further details of the residential which will allow you to ask any questions that you may have about the trip.

Class Dojo letters went out on Friday. This is a bit like tapestry (or Facebook for school) and allows you to see some activities in school as well as the points the children have accrued over the week. We award points for positive contribution to school and these will build up towards a whole class reward over the course of the term.

I've been very glad to have had the chance to meet some parents over the past month for a variety of reasons and would encourage all of you to talk to me (or other members of staff) if you have any concerns about school your child's progress.

It's been great to see some of our children taking advantage of wraparound before and after school. If your child requires before or after school care please see Mrs Hall for further details. We have had great success so far with our Junior after-school clubs, Art and Cricket, and look forward to offering after school clubs to the Infants after half term. If you or your child has any preference for after school activities please let us know as we may be able to make arrangements for this.

# Midday Supervisor Vacancy

We have the above vacancy in school. Please see the attached job details.

## **Friends Association**

The Friends Association run a weekly bonus ball for £1.00 per week. If you are the lucky winner of the lottery bonus ball you will win £30.00. The following numbers are available

18-25-29-30-51-53-54-56-59

Please see Mrs Hall if you would like a bonus ball.

### **Parent Governor Vacancy**

The Governing Body of Broughton Moor Primary School has a vacancy for a Parent Governor. As you will know, our school always aims to work in partnership with parents for the benefit of our children. One of the most significant ways that any parent can help in promoting this partnership is to volunteer to be a parent governor.

### What do governors do?

Governing bodies are responsible for the strategic direction of a school and will make decisions about a wide range of issues. The core responsibilities involved are: ensuring accountability; acting as a 'critical friend' to the Head Teacher; monitoring and evaluating the school's progress; budgetary allocation and control; planning for the long term future of the school; setting the school's aims and values and appointing senior members of staff including the Head Teacher. The governing body is split in to a number of committees, each responsible for one area such as finance, staffing, curriculum and health and safety. These committees meet separately from the main governing body to discuss relevant issues in more detail. Discussion is then fed back at a full governing body meeting. Parent Governors act as a key link between the governing body and parents; they also play a vital role in ensuring the governing body is aware of the views of parents and the local community.

# What does it take to be a governor?

The most important quality required of a good school governor is the desire and commitment to make a difference to the lives of children by helping to improve school performance. This is closely followed by the ability to work in a team; a willingness to challenge assumptions and, crucially, the time to get involved and to take on some of the shared responsibilities of the governing body.

### And in return?

Being a governor brings a number of rewards -

- · A sense of achievement in making a difference to our school
- · The pleasure of seeing children learn and progress
- · An insight into the wider perspective of the school through long-term planning
- · A chance to develop skills in strategic management
- · The opportunity to work with our team of governors and staff in improving our school
- · Training to develop an understanding of specific school management issues

### Are you interested?

Please apply in writing to the head teacher Mr P Brotherhood. Closing date for applications 5<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

Should there be more than two nominations for the vacancy we will need to hold an election in which all parents will be eligible to vote.

# **Dates for your Diaries**

October Half Term Monday 23nd—Friday 27th October
Monday 9th October Prize Bingo 6.30 pm
Tuesday 31st October Halloween Disco 3.30-5.30 pm
Monday 13th November Prize Bingo
12th—14th December Edinburgh Residential
Christmas Fayre Saturday 16th December 1.00—4.00 pm
Wednesday 20th December—Christmas Break
Monday 8th January 2018—Spring Term

ASC Clubs
KS2 Art Club Monday 3.15-4.15 pm
KS2 Cricket Thursday 3.00-4.00 pm