

CASTLE BROMWICH JUNIOR SCHOOL

January 2018 NEWSLETTER

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Welcome back

It was lovely today to welcome all the children back into school. I hope you all enjoyed the Christmas break and wish you good health and happiness in 2018.

The staff began the new year looking at the progress made by individual pupils over the autumn term and planning how we can continue to build on this. This year at CBJS is the year of reading and our reading progress is looking particularly good with more and more children regularly reading. We hope that the regular use of our new library will also promote a real love and pleasure from reading.

Attendance

Congratulations to Emmi Fox 3M who won the Kindle Fire at the end of last term as part of our attendance raffle. The competition has now started again with everyone beginning from scratch, a reminder that:

100%= 5 raffle tickets 99%= 4 raffle tickets 98%= 3 raffle tickets 97%= 2 raffle tickets 96%= 1 raffle ticket

The Chinese New Year According to the Chinese zodiac, 2018 is the Year of the Dog. The Dog is the symbol of loyalty and honesty. People born in the Year of the Dog possess the best traits of human nature. They are honest, friendly, faithful, loyal, smart, straightforward and have a strong sense of responsibility.

Years of the Dog include 1970, 1982, 1994, 2006 and 2018

Christmas Concerts. A huge thank you for the money donations collected at the end of each Christmas concert. We were able to send a cheque for £384.88 to our local food bank.

Spring Term clubs

We are looking to launch a new four week club starting in March called The Fan of The Brick. This is an exciting new LEGO club. Further details will follow but places will be limited. A waiting list will be created for a club in April if we have more than 20 pupils interested.

Parents have been informed of other clubs running this term. If you are unsure of any clubs and want to check availability please contact the school office.

We have a **clubbercise** class for parents operating in the school hall each Tuesday at 6pm For further details on this and other fitness classes in the local area please contact. **07565 620275** or info@bootyfitness.co.uk

STAY AND PLAY- A new stay and play-Mini Shakers and Makers for children aged 0- 5 is running at Castle Bromwich Youth centre [next door to school] It takes place each Wednesday from 1.30-3pm with a £1 donation. Please contact 707 7000 if you are interested.

Pop up Cuppa

Parents will know we have Pop up cuppa each half term on the school playground. The aim is to provide hot drinks and friendship in the cold months while parents wait for their children. It's a lovely opportunity for parents to meet together share a drink and get to know other parents. Please ensure children are not given the hot drinks- they are provided for the parents only.

Contact Details If you have changed any of your contact details e.g. email, mobile phone, please inform the school office. This is a crucial part of home school communication.

Events and Key Dates in the spring

10th January – Y5 Planetarium
WC 15th January Year 6 Inspire workshops
23rd January – Y5 Kidzania Trip
24th January –International Day
30th & 31st January – Marvellous Mums
8th February – Y4 Portals from the Past – Romans
WC 5th February – Year 5 Inspire workshops
9th February – Safer Internet Day
9th February – Y6 to RAF Cosford
15th February – Chinese New Year Celebrations Y3
WC 26th February – Year 4 Inspire workshops
5th March – Portals to the Past – Y3 Stone Age
14th /15th March Parents Evenings
20th & 21st March – Y3 Trip to Montgomery School
23rd March – University Sharing Event
26th March – Dojo Reward Day
29th March – Y4 Easter Concert @ 9.30
Y5 Trip to Dunfield

Book amnesty

Over the last year our numbers of home reading books have significantly reduced. Can parents and pupils please check to see if they have any school reading books at home. These can be brought back to school [no matter how many!] and placed in a box in each year group without any questions asked.

If families have any fiction books they would like to donate to school they would be greatly received and can be given to class teachers.