

Bredhurst Church Of England Primary School



Parents As Partners

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Self Control
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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the new school year; welcome to all our new parents and children.

I'm not sure what happened to the summer holidays, it seemed to fly past, and with it the lovely weather!

The children have all settled in fantastically to their new classes and the new routines. It is lovely to see how they have returned to school enthusiastic and ready for the challenges ahead.

Well done to our new Year R children, I cannot believe you've been here for a week already—some of you for the whole day. We have had hardly any tears, even from the parents! The children are all relishing the challenge of the new environment. We hope they enjoy every minute of the start of the learning journey. Be prepared for very tired children this weekend however!

Thank you to all the parents who have supported us regarding the change of footwear for indoors. We are happy with the children changing from outside to inside shoes and do not mind which form these take—although most of the children have embraced wearing slippers. There are several reasons behind our rationale and whilst I agree that the children do not look as neat coming into school I do see the impact wearing slippers has upon their demeanour in school, the children are quieter and calmer around the school. However, the primary reason was for hygiene purposes. The children come straight from the playground into the school hall in the morning, bringing mud, dirt and water with them. We then ask the children to sit in this wet, dirty floor during worship. The children, up to year 4, spend a proportion of their day sitting on the carpet, changing footwear ensures this stays much cleaner for them.

A 10 year study by researchers at Bournemouth University found there were real benefits to learning caused by wearing slippers.

As you know we have changed our approach to homework, with no formal homework set. A letter will be coming out next week to explain the expectations regarding home learning. The children will still be expected to read, to learn spellings and times tables.

As the weather is being slightly unpredictable at the moment we would suggest that you send your child into school with a light weight raincoat as we do try to allow them to use the outside space as much as possible, even when it is drizzling.

Swimming starts next week:

Fir Tree Monday and Friday

Forge Monday and Wednesday

Hurstwood Friday

Kemsley Thursday

Oakwood Tuesday and Thursday

We are looking for parent helpers.

P.E kits are to remain in school—trainers must be worn for outside P.E.

P.E days are the same as swimming days.

Our first FOBs meeting is to be held after school on:-

Monday 17th September 3.45. All are welcome . We will be sharing ideas of how to fundraise and support the school and discussing our upcoming events.

**After school club letters will be sent out on Monday 10th.
Clubs will commence on Monday 17th September**

Best Wishes

Michelle Cox

Mrs M Cox

Head Teacher



Spirit of Bredhurst this Week

- Fir Tree Jeremy Duduyemi
- Forge Darcy Pettit
- Hurstwood India Smith
- Kemsley Luke Tranah
- Oakwood Myles Cox



Stars of the Week

- Fir Tree Kian Rosier
- Forge Holly Holder
- Hurstwood Hannah Colwell
- Kemsley Henry Ridden
- Oakwood Maisie Gardner

Dates for your Diary.



September

Week Beginning 17th Clubs start

- Monday 17th FOBS Mtg after school.
- Friday 28th Macmillan Coffee Morning

October

- Monday 1st Fire + Rescue Service Talk Yr 1—Yr6
- Friday 5th Harvest Celebration at St. Peter’s Church
- Wednesday 10th Community Lunch
- Thursday 11th KS1 Drama Workshop
- Friday 12th Individual Photographs
- Saturday 13th Pumpkin Morning
- Tuesday 16th Flu Immunisation Yr R—Yr 5
- Monday 29th Staff Development Day

November

- Tuesday 6th Yr5 + Yr6 Harry Potter World
- Friday 9th Firework Display

Do take a look on the school noticeboard for any letters sent out and on the school website.

Remember to download the Bredhurst app. To keep fully informed.

New dinner menus will be coming home soon so that you can discuss with your child before they make their choices on the day.

28th September Macmillan Coffee morning more details to follow.

Every Friday is our Celebration AOW all welcome
New Year R children will not be in worship initially.

Newsletters will only be available on the school website unless you request a paper copy via the office.