



Broomhill First School

January Newsletter



'Together We Succeed'

Dear Parents

A Happy New Year to you and your families. I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas. The children have settled quickly back into school and are working well in their lessons. Please see class newsletters for details of what your child will be learning in school this half term, together with information regarding homework and other ways in which you can support your child at home.

There are one or two remaining issues arising from comments on our last parents' survey which we are taking action on this term. As you will see overleaf, parents will have the opportunity to join their child for a school lunch in March and are also invited to their child's class assembly. Our new school facebook page will be set up by the end of this month (see link on school website), which will hopefully make it easier for you to receive a variety of information, including reminders about school activities/events. We also received a request to set up a Breakfast Club and if this is something that may be of interest to you would you please let either Jill or Linda in the office know by Friday 29th January. This will help us to make a decision as to whether or not such a club would be feasible.

Thank you for your continued support and please do not hesitate to get in touch if there are any matters you wish to discuss or that I may be able to help you with.

Julie Newton

School Crossing Patrol Attendant Vacancy

Our vacancy is currently being advertised on the Northumberland County Council's website. It is a generic advert relating to several vacancies in Northumberland so does not specifically mention Broomhill First School. If you know of anyone who would be interested in applying then please direct them to the County website or for further information please contact parking services on 01670 620220.

The Council is also considering additional safety measures such as the introduction of a 20mph speed limit and extra signage. In the meantime, please can we remind parents to avoid pulling up or parking on the existing yellow zig zags or white line opposite the school gates at all times.



Bags 2 School

Our next 'Bags 2 School' collection will take place on Tuesday 19th January. If you have any unwanted clothes, shoes, handbags, bedding etc. please send these into school in the bag that your child brought home last week. What a good opportunity to have a post-Christmas sort out!

School Lunch Invites



We will be inviting parents to have lunch with their child on Wednesday 16th March, Thursday 17th March or Wednesday 23rd March. A letter will be sent out after half term with a slip for you to return to school if you would like to book a place.

Parents of Nursery children will be invited to join us for lunch after Easter, dates to be confirmed.

Class Assemblies

You are invited to join us for your child's class assembly as follows:

Big Owls - Thursday 11th February at 2.45pm

Finches - Wednesday 10th February at 9.10am

Seabirds - Wednesday 9th March at 9.10am

We look forward to seeing you!



Show Racism the Red Card

On the 25th January, children in Seabirds' Class will take part in a workshop and 'fitness fun' session delivered by the above charity. This will not only be an enjoyable day for our children, but will also contribute to their understanding of the causes and effects of racism and the importance of respecting the differences between people, regardless of their ethnicity, faith, culture or nationality.

Spring Term Sports Calendar

We have a busy term of festivals and competitions including the following:

Year 1 - Hula Hooping Festival at JCSC on 12th January

Year 2 - Gymnastics Festival at JCSC on 1st March

Year 3 - Skipping Festival at JCSC on 1st February

Years 3/4 - After school Football Competition at JCSC on 19th January

After school Netball Competition at JCSC on 26th January and 23rd February

School Games Gymnastics Competition (team of 6) at Bothal Middle School on 11th February.



Other Dates for Diaries

09/02/16 - Safer Internet Day (your child will bring something home to show you what he/she has been learning about, together with some useful information to help you keep your child safe).

12/02/16 - School closes for half term.

22/02/16 - School re-opens.

3/03/16 - World Book Day, please join us for our 'Character Parade' just after morning registration.

24/03/16 - School closes for Easter and re-opens Tuesday 12th April (Teacher Training Day 11th April).