Weekly News

10th December 2020



Dates and key information

School Meals

Week Beginning 14th December - PINK Juniors ~ £2.30 Infants ~ free

December

- Fri 11th Beaford Arts Project
- Mon 14th PE Infants & Juniors
- Weds 16th Christmas Dinner
- Fri 18th Infants & Juniors Christmas Parties
- Fri 18th LAST DAY OF TERM

Dear Parents.

Mrs Beattie will be taking her maternity leave earlier than expected following advice from her midwife but we have secured a wonderful replacement to teach the infant class between January and February half term. Mrs Kate Dadswell will be teaching in the class from the start of the Spring term, straight after Christmas. Mrs Beattie will be working with Mrs Dadswell remotely during the Spring term ensuring a smooth transition for the children. Mrs Dadswell is a very experienced teacher

QOTTA9

based at Pilton Bluecoat and is part of the senior leadership team for Multi-Academy Trust. She is an excellent teacher and has a passion for teaching infant children and will be a positive asset to our team at Brayford.

The infant children enjoyed a wonderful 'Woodland Day' last week where they took part in activities to support their topic learning this term. They collected autumnal objects from the local environment; learnt how to weave; constructed a bug hotel and even made Christmas wreaths. They all enjoyed their special day and were able to apply some of the knowledge they had learnt through the topic 'The Enchanted Woodland'.







The children have been busy rehearsing and recording their Christmas plays which will be ready to send home next week. The children and staff have worked incredibly hard to make



this a special event despite it being different from normal. We would encourage you to take an extra copy of the DVD to give to a member of the community who would appreciate a little Christmas cheer this year. If you would like extra copies please let Sally know how many by this Friday so we can make sure enough DVDs are copied. Thank you.

Best Wishes
Miss Corrinne Smith

COVID 19 UPDATE

Please note that the school needs to be made aware of any positive Covid 19 cases where symptoms developed within 48 hours of being in school – this will include Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th December.

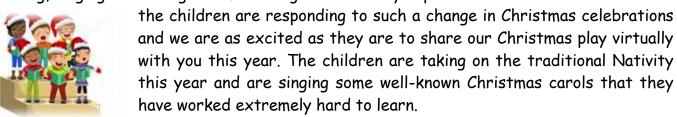
Please email the school office on: <u>admin@brayford.devon.sch.uk</u> as soon as possible following a positive result.

May we please remind you to maintain Social Distancing of 2m when dropping off or picking up your children from school, this includes when queuing up the drive.

CURRICULUM NEWS

The Year two children have thoroughly impressed me with their phonics screening results this week. I am delighted with their results, demonstrating progress and effort by all. The children have been busy finishing off their short stories and work on giving change and shape before moving onto a Christmas themed week next week. Well done infants-what a wonderful little group you are!

The children across the school have been busy preparing for the Christmas Play this week. Filming, singing and acting is in full swing. We are very impressed as a school with how well



FOREST SCHOOL

There are no more Forest School sessions for this term. Forest School starts again on Wednesday 13th January, a new date/group list will be sent out at the beginning of next term.



PTFA NEWS

This year the student council have decided to buy playground games instead of receiving individual presents from the PTFA for Christmas.

The PTFA would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and prosperous New Year.







CHRISTMAS PARTIES

On Friday 18th December, the PTFA are organising a Christmas Party. The Infants and Juniors will have separate parties in their own bubbles, there will be food and games, the children can wear party clothes or something Christmas themed!!

CHRISTMAS DINNER

On Wednesday 16th December the children will be having their Christmas Dinner, please ensure you return the slip that was sent out this week.

The children can come to school wearing a Christmas jumper.



BREAKFAST CLUB

Runs daily when required from 7.45am with Mrs Ward and is available to Brumble Bee children as well as school children at the cost of £4.00 per child. Please pre-book sessions through the school office by email to admin@brayford.devon.sch.uk or alternatively phone 01598 710345.



<u>PLEASE NOTE</u> if your child is not booked in to Breakfast Club they will be unable to stay.





Well Done for receiving a certificate of achievement this week

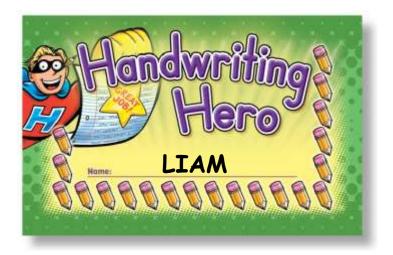


Certificate of Achievement

Juniors

Blade - For showing fantastic stamina and reasoning when working on his end of term tests.

Luca - For showing excellent determination and concentration when working on his end of term tests.



Merit Achievers

40 Merit achievers

★ Maisy

★ Ava

House Points totals

Middlecott=160 Molland=180 Longwood=160 Kedworthy=180





We would like to wish a Happy Birthday to:
Isla - 13th December



Required Immediately

BRAYFORD ACADEMY

CASUAL MEALTIME ASSISTANT

Required: Immediately

Hours per week: maximum of 5 hours per week (term time only)

Starting Salary: £9.25 per hour (Scale A)

Would you like to join our school community as part of our team? We require additional temporary help to keep our children safe and occupied during their lunchbreak. The work will include supervising the children eating their lunch as well as outside playing in the playground.

Hours will be 12.15 – 1.15 pm each day. We welcome interest from applicants who may not be able to work every day as well as those who can.

If you are interested, please contact the school Administrator 01598 710345 for more information.

Application forms can be downloaded from our TEAM website: www.teamacademytrust.com and submitted to wacancies@team-mat.org.uk or handed in to the Brayford Academy Office.

Brayford Academy Term Dates 2020 - 2021

Autumn Term	
First day back	Monday 7 th September 2020
Half term	Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October 2020
Last day of term	Friday 18th December 2020
Spring Term	
First day back	Tuesday 5 th January 2021
Half term	Monday 15 th February – Friday 19 th February 2021
Last day of term	Thursday 1st April 2021
Summer Term	
First day back	Tuesday 20th April 2021
Bank Holiday	Monday 3 rd May 2021
Half term	Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June 2021
Last day of term	Thursday 22 nd July 2021