

# Brisley C of E Primary Academy Newsletter

Enabling children to Flourish through the Field of Life

# Friday 15th December 2023

This our last newsletter before we break up. We hope you all have a Merry Christmas and Happy Year.

The children who will be joining Brisley from Weasenham school came for a visit on Thursday and had a thoroughly good time and are looking forward to joining our school community in January. Thank you to the children for making them all so welcome.

#### **Books**

There are a number of fiction books and big books that are not required at Weasenham, due to the closure of the site. These will be set out in the hall on Monday for you to come and look at after school. We are asking for donations rather than selling them. Please take as many as you wish - some are virtually brand new!

#### Mr Kerkham

You may have noticed that Mr Kerkham has not been around over the last week. He is on compassionate leave until the beginning of January.

Mrs Allen has been travelling between all three sites, attending Christmas performances etc. However, due to 20th December being the very last day of school for Weasenham; Mrs Allen will be spending the day there with the staff and children. She sends her apologies, as she will not be able to attend the Carol Service in church on 20th December.

# Break the Rules Day – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December

Children have had a fun day, paying £1.00 to break school rules. So far we have raised £ 60.50. All donations collected will go to our school fund. Many thanks for your continued support.

# **KS2 Christmas Performance – Panto Pandemonium**

What a great performance, a massive thank you to Miss A. for all her hard work, a lot in her free time, to make the show such a success and great fun for the children.

It was truly amazing to see so many parents at each performance; we received so many comments saying it was the best school performance they had ever been to. Congratulations to all the children and staff!!

Just one of many parent comments received:-

Wow! What a wonderful and fun performance of the Brisley school Christmas production, 'Panto Pandemonium' – highlight of my week!

It was delightful to see the children so happy and relaxed, and moving to watch them work together and support each other on stage - they all did fantastically well. Their positive energy was infectious and made the show a thoroughly enjoyable and uplifting experience.

Huge credit and thanks to Miss A and her team for their time and dedication in helping the children to create a very impressive and memorable show.

# **School Choir**

On Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December our school choir will be Carol singing at Woodstock Carehome. Please can choir members wear school uniform and a Christmas jumper.

### **Pantomime 19th December**

The buses will be leaving school at **8.45 a.m**. The school gate will be open from **8.30 a.m.** to allow time for registers to be taken. Please ensure your child has a packed lunch, named bottle of water and snack bar with them. (*no nuts please*).

#### **House Winners**

The house winner for this term is **HOLKHAM** !! Children in Holkham are invited to come into school on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January wearing Green.

# Wednesday 20th December

There will be no P.E. lessons, children to come to school wearing school uniform.

# Carol Service 20th December at 1.30 p.m.

You are all welcome to join us at Brisley Church, on the last day of term, for our Christmas Carol service at 1.30 p.m. FOBs will be kindly be providing mince pies, gingerbread men and drinks from 1.00 p.m. There will not be a charge for refreshments but cash donations will be gratefully received.

At the end of the service, children will be able to go home with their parents. Please let the school office know if your child/children will be going home with anyone different, i.e. Grandparents or another family member.

#### **Year 6 SATs Booster sessions**

Miss Clarke invites all year 6 children to attend a booster session every Wednesday morning at 8.00 a.m. Booster sessions with Miss A. will also continue for selected children week commencing 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

### **Swimming**

Today is the last swimming session for this academic year.

# **Breakfast Club Bookings**

Please note that to book a place at Breakfast Club you will now need to complete the payment and booking via Parentmail 48 hours in advance.

# Message from Miss Byrne

Please can you collect chocolate wrappers (for example, heroes, celebrations, quality streets and larger chocolate bar wrappings) over Christmas. These will be needed for a D T design project in the Spring erm. Thank you.

### **Message from FOBs**

We raised a whopping £754.50 - from the Sponsored Reindeer Race – a massive thank you for all your support.

Last night Tawny Owls had their Christmas Party which was a huge success, we raised around £60 and saw majority of the class there which was amazing. A huge thank you to parents who donated their time in baking items, helping to set up, run and clear up after the event. We hope that all the children had a great time and look forward to running more events in the new year.

Tonight will be Snowy and Barn Owls Christmas Cinema Night which I am sure will be another great success! Thanks again to all involved for helping to put on this special event for the children.

# **Collections** - boxes in the school lobby.

Used inkjet cartridges and crisp packets.

Food bank - for mid Norfolk food bank in Fakenham. Next collection date is Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January.



# DIARY DATES 2023

Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Choir singing at Woodstock Care Home Gressenhall,
	Choir children to wear school uniform and Christmas
	Jumper.
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Dick Whittington Pantomime, Kings Lynn - Depart 8.45 a.m Gate will open at 8.30 a.m.
Wednesday 20th December	No PE. Lessons children to wear school uniform
	Carol Service in Brisley Church 1.30 p.m. all invited
	School close for Christmas Break
Forthcoming Events	
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	School opens for Children
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Holkham - House winners for last term, children in Holkham house invited to wear green for the day.
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	Sports Club 3.20 - 4.20 p.m.
Tuesday 9th January	Kerry Horn Keyboard lessons
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> January	Y6 SATS Booster session with Miss Clarkes 8.00 a.m.
	Kerry Horn Keyboard lessons
	Sports Club 3.20 - 4.20 p.m.
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> January	Robotics Club 3.20 - 4.20 p.m.
	Guitar lessons