

Dear Parents / Carers,

2nd November 2018

I hope you all had a super half term break and recharged your batteries ready for this very long lead up to Christmas—in total this is an 8 week term. Thinking ahead, the Friends of Brading will be holding a meeting on Thursday starting at 9am at school to discuss Christmas events. Everyone is welcome and there will be lots of tea and cake—please come along. The poster on the third page of the newsletter will provide you with more information. We have also added provisional Christmas dates to the diary on page two, please make sure you are aware of what's going on as it's always a busy time. If any dates or times change we will let you know as soon as possible.

Thanks to all who attended the parent/carer sessions, I have heard fabulous feedback and I am very proud of all how well the children are getting on this early in the academic year. If you didn't manage to meet with your child's class teacher, please pop a note in their planner and the teacher can arrange a time for you.

If you are attending firework displays or bonfires this weekend, here are some helpful tips to make sure you keep safe:

1. Only adults should deal with setting up the fireworks, lightening the fireworks and disposing of them after.
2. Children and young people should be supervised and all spectators should watch from a safe distance.
3. If you are having your own display, make sure you have planned ahead to make sure it is safe and finishes before 11pm.
4. Follow the instructions on each firework (some may be different than others) and never return to a firework once lit.
5. Light the firework at arms length with a taper and stand well back making sure it is directed away from spectators.
6. Keep naked flames, including cigarettes away from fireworks and never use paraffin or petrol on a bonfire.
7. An adult should be responsible for a bonfire and it should be away from fences, sheds or where children are playing.
8. Avoid wearing any loose clothing and tie back long hair
9. Make sure there is a bucket of water handy in case of an accident.

Have a great weekend and remember my door is always open.

Mrs Gilbert.

We are always trying to develop how we work together with you to provide additional materials for learning. We have managed to get a free website to support maths, the link is www.mathschase.com - Have a go with your child at home.

Unfortunately headlice are about at the moment. Please regularly check your child's hair and keep all long hair tied back.






We have menu change on Monday 5th November for our special Bonfire Lunch, please check the menu on page two of the newsletter.

We strongly advise everyone to put children's names into all clothing they bring to school, especially jumpers and PE kit.

Attendance 15/10/18 - 17/10/18

Class	Attendance	Lates	Whole school attendance for the week: 95.4% against our target of 97%.
Ash	92.3%	2	
Birch	96.1%	1	
Hawthorn	93.4%	3	
Beech	97.7%	4	
Maple	96.7%	2	

Birthdays:

 Olek
 Sophie
 Nathan
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 Benjamin S

OUR 'STARS OF THE WEEK' ARE:

★ Elijah
 ★ Summer D
 ★ Ryan
 ★ Asher

Lunch menu w/c Monday 5th November

Monday: Boom Burgers with Jumping Jack Wedges/Sizzling Soya Chilli with Raging Rice(v), Bonfire BBQ Beans, Banging Broccoli, Catherine Wheel Cookie.

Tuesday: Cottage Pie with Gravy/Shepherdess Pie(v), Green Beans, Glazed Carrots, Rice Pudding with Mixed Berries.

Wednesday: Roast Chicken with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes and Gravy/Quorn Roast(v), Cabbage and Sweetcorn, Cheese, Apple and Biscuits.

Thursday: Beef Lasagne with Garlic Bread/Red Pepper Frittata with New Potatoes(v), Broccoli and Tomato Salad, Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate Drizzle.

Friday: MSC Battered Fish with Chips/Wholemeal Cheese and Tomato Pizza(v), Baked Beans and Garden Peas, Fruit and Yoghurt.

Remember all children in Foundation Stage up to Year 2 are entitled to a Universal Free School Meal. For those who bring in a packed lunch from home, taster pots are always available to encourage them to try a hot school dinner. They can also order a school sandwich, baguette or jacket potato.

If your child will be turning 3 years old prior to 31st December, they will be eligible for 15 hours of free early years education from January 2019. In addition, if eligible (e.g. you, and any partner, earn on average at least £120 a week), you could also be entitled to an additional 15 hours of funding. Two year old funding is available from 1st January, 1st April or 1st September following your child's 2nd birthday for families receiving certain benefits (e.g. Income support or Jobseeker's Allowance). To check your family's eligibility for early years funding please visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

We are now accepting applications for children to start with us after Christmas. We understand that the requirements of each child and each family are different and we are proud to offer a flexible early years facility which has been designed to provide an individually tailored approach for you and your child's needs. Whether you are looking for childcare for a few sessions or for the whole week, we are committed to ensuring your child/children are cared for in an environment where they will feel safe, happy and nurtured.

To arrange a visit or to discuss options available please contact Mrs Stubbs in the office.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Nov 5 th	Art ASC 3-4pm Key Stage 2 Sports ASC 3-4pm
Nov 6 th	Ash class parent/carer sessions 1-3pm Year 6 Booster ASC 3-4pm
Nov 7 th	Singing ASC 3-4pm Key Stage 1 Sports ASC 3-4pm
Nov 13 th	Oak class parent/carer sessions 1-3pm
Nov 16 th	Beech class cinema trip
Nov 19	Open day for children starting school in September 2019 - 10am - 12pm & 1pm - 5pm
Nov 20 th - 23 rd	Year 6 Bikeability - 1-3pm
Dec 14 th	Christmas Fayre
Dec 19 th	Christmas Dinner
Dec 20 th	Christmas party afternoon
Dec 24 th - Jan 4 th	Christmas Holidays
Feb 18 th - 22 nd	February half term
Apr 8 th - 22 nd	Easter Holidays
May 6 th	Bank Holiday Monday
May 27 th - 31 st	May half term
Jul 22 nd	Development Day—school closed to pupils
Jul 23 rd	Development Day—school closed to pupils
Jul 24 th - Aug 30 th	Summer Holidays



We need your help!



**Parents
Carers**

Your school Christmas Fayre needs you!

The Friends of Brading invite you to come armed with your ideas and support.

We especially need help with fun-filled Christmas fayre style games.

Please come and tell us about your ideas.

We'd love you to manage your game at the fayre (double up as a team if you want).

Possible fayre date TBC 2-3pm Friday 14th December.

Volunteers are thin on the ground this year as children have moved on to high school.

We **really need NEW support** from parents/carers in foundation, Y1, Y2, Y3 and upwards.

Come along for a cuppa straight away after drop off 8.45am

Thursday 8th November

It's good to be involved with the school and your children's experience there.

Please please come and show your support.

It's fun to be involved!

All proceeds to the Friends of Brading School Fund
supporting the school minibus

