

Dear Parents / Carers,

23rd February 2018

I can't believe we have already been back a week. I hope you all had a lovely half term. We only have another 5 weeks to go before the Easter holidays so we have lots to pack in, including trips to Pizza Express and Brading Roman Villa. We are still finalising dates for our Easter activities, once these have been set we will let you know.

Just a few reminders for the new half term:

- When your child is absent from school, as well as ringing in before 9:30 to tell us your child will not be in school, we also require a written note stating the reason for absences within three days of returning to school. Proformas are available at the gate every morning or from the office at any time. If written notification is not received within 3 days then the absence will be recorded as unauthorised.
- We advise all children to bring their PE kit in to school on a Monday so that is in school ready for their PE lessons and take it home on a Friday. We are monitoring children who continually forget their PE kit.
- A member of staff mans the bottom of the driveway to ensure all children arrive and leave safely. If you drive to school, the office have parking permits for the Wheatsheaf who have kindly allowed parents to park in their carpark during drop off and pick up times. To ensure the safety of all, please do not park on the double yellow lines or the zig zag lines outside the school. If your child would like to come to school on a scooter or bike, they will need to dismount from them at the bottom of the ramp and walk them up the path. All bikes and scooters will need to be chained and left outside on the path. We cannot take responsibility for having these in school. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

We are pleased to be launching our school lottery. Our first draw will be on Saturday 21st April. Our lottery is open to all, parents, teachers, carers, grandparents and friends. So please spread the word so we can have as many people join as possible. A ticket costs £1 per week and 40% of all ticket sales goes straight to our Friends of Brading account. Each ticket will also enter you in TWO draws: 1.A jackpot prize draw for £25,000.00. 2.A local draw with a guaranteed prize for one of the supporters of our school. The size of the prize will depend on the number of tickets bought for the school that week. The lottery is a fun and effective way to raise money to improve our school. But we need your help to make the lottery the best it can be, so please support the lottery today - and who knows maybe you'll be the next £25,000 winner! It's a fantastic way to bring Parents, Carers, Teachers and the wider community together, in partnership with our school, and at the same time give something back. We hope to raise funds that can support and enrich the education of our children - we aim to provide extra resources for the children and improve the school environment. We are currently raising money towards setting up a trim trail and maintaining the mini bus to support school trips and external sporting activities. To sign up visit www.yourschoollottery.co.uk. Your support is greatly appreciated and we wish you good luck!

This terms parent sessions for children in years 1 to 6 will be on Tuesday 27th March from 1-5pm, sign-up sheets will be available outside classrooms on Monday 5th March. The EYFS sessions are taking place on Thursday 8th and Thursday 15th March from 1-5pm, sign-up sheets are outside Miss Bailey's classroom. These sessions will give you the opportunity to find out detailed information on how your child is getting on academically, emotionally and socially. If at any time you would like to find out more or have a look through your child's books please see your child's teacher.

Next Friday is World Book Day, so we are looking forward to seeing all your fantastic book character costumes! Mrs Wheeler will be taking sharing worship on the day so please come and join in the fun – with or without a costume!

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

Mrs Gilbert.

Birthday:

 Olivia F

Thank you to everyone who supported the Earl Mountbatten Hospice in today's 'Hats for the Hospice' day – we raised £100.22 for this worthy cause.

OUR 'STARS OF THE WEEK' ARE:

- ★ Szymon
- ★ Kaydee-May
- ★ Teddy
- ★ Summer-Leigh
- ★ Kian

**Golden Tickets
w/c 19th February:**

-  Joshua
-  Riley
-  Alfie S
-  Sophie
-  Georgia
-  Bethany

Attendance 05/02/18 – 09/02/18

Class	Attendance	Lates	Whole school attendance for the week: 96.5% against our target of 97%.
Picasso	94.7%	2	
Van Gogh	93.2%	2	
Matisse	97.4%	3	
Monet	100%	4	
Banksy	98.3%	3	

Lunch menu w/c Monday 26th February

Monday: Hot Dogs with Homemade Tomato Sauce/Veggie Hot Dogs(v), Jacket Wedges, Tomato and Red Onion Slaw, Green Salad, Pear Crumble with Custard.

Tuesday: Baked Greek Lasagne/Wholemeal Spinach and Tomato Quiche(v), New Potatoes, Courgettes in Tomato Sauce, Cauliflower, Apple Cheese & Biscuits.

Wednesday: Roast Turkey/Mixed Vegetable Loaf(v), Roast Potatoes, Gravy, Broccoli and Sliced Carrots, Chocolate Cookie with Natural Yoghurt.

Thursday: Beef Casserole with Rice/Quorn Mince Pasta Bolognese(v), Sweetcorn, Apple and Berry Strudel with Custard.

Friday: MSC Battered Fish/Cheese and Tomato Pizza(v), Chips, Baked Beans, Peas, Chocolate and Orange Brownie.

Remember snacks must be ordered and paid for on Monday mornings, as well as sandwich/baguette/jacket potato orders. Cook is at the gate on Monday mornings to assist you with this.

www.thinkuknow.co.uk

Do you really know what your children are doing online? Are they safe? 'Thinkuknow' is a really useful website aimed at all ages with lots of different resources. Take some time to look at the website with your children over the weekend.

Thank you for your time.

Jane Hindle, Family Liaison.

We have signed up to 'Easyfundraising'. Lots of you will have become accustomed to shopping online, shop with any of over 3,300 well-known retailers via the Easyfundraising website and a percentage of what you spend is passed to The Friends of Brading at no additional cost to you. Retailers include Amazon, M&S, Vodafone, eBay, Tesco, Argos and many more. Please register to support us today –

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/friendsofbrading. Many retailers offer Easyfundraising shoppers exclusive discounts and special offers such as free P&P. Imagine if all of our families registered and booked their holidays or did their online grocery shopping using Easyfundraising. We could easily raise lots of money at no extra cost!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Feb 26 th	Hama Bead Craft ASC 3-4pm KS1 Art ASC 3-4pm KS2 Sport ASC 3-4pm
Feb 27 th	Van Gogh Pizza Express trip
Feb 28 th	KS2 Sewing ASC 3-4pm
Mar 2 nd	World Book Day
Mar 5 th	Matisse Brading Roman Villa trip
Mar 8 th	EYFS Parent sessions – 1-5pm
Mar 12 th	Van Gogh Brading Roman Villa trip
Mar 13 th	Matisse Pizza Express trip
Mar 15 th	EYFS Parent sessions – 1-5pm
Mar 27 th	Years 1 to 6 parent sessions – 1-5pm
Mar 30 th – Apr 13 th	Easter Holidays
May 7 th	May Bank Holiday
May 14 th – 17 th	Year 6 SATs week
May 28 th – Jun 1 st	May half term
Jul 20 th	Last day at school for the academic year
Jul 23 rd	Development day – school closed to pupils
Jul 24 th – Aug 31 st	Summer Holidays