



**Bringham
Primary School**
Broadening Horizons

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Dear Parents,

What a lovely start to a new school year. It has been lovely watching the children playing on the school field in the September sunshine. The long hot summer has taken its toll on the field and repairs are scheduled to be carried out over the next few months to ensure it is rejuvenated and fit for purpose.

Our new Reception children have settled into school exceptionally quickly. So many of them are siblings so I expect they were all familiar with the school and keen to start. We now have 160 children on roll which really is encouraging and good for the school.

Year 5 will shortly be off on their week long residential to Conover Hall in Shropshire. I really do like to accompany the children on this trip as for many of them it is the first time they have been away from home without their parents. In these days of iphones and ipads it's easy for me to keep in touch with school and on top of things. This year we need to take 3 staff so Mr Usher will be joining myself and Mr Brannigan.

It is full steam ahead for the Friends of Bringham Fun Day on Sunday September 23rd between 12pm and 3pm. There are lots of fun activities and refreshments planned and the opportunity to all come together at the start of the year is not to be missed. If you can help at all please sign up on the sheet by the PTA noticeboard or let the office know you are available. School will be open from 10:00am if you can help set up.

I am looking forward to another successful year with lots of exciting opportunities planned and know that I can count on your continued support.

Angela Watson

Headteacher

Winter Coat Appeal

I have been asked by Louise Pilkington and Rev. Stephen Bishop if we will support the church appeal which involves "recycling" unwanted coats.

It's that time of the year when parents get the children's coats out - and in lots of instances discover that over the summer they have grown and their coats no longer fit!

Rather than send them off to the clothing bins we would like to ask parents to consider donating them to children at a school in Leicester where the majority of students do not have access to good warm coats or puffer jackets.

If you have a coat that you can donate could you please bring them into school for collection by Monday 1st October. They can then be distributed to their new owners ready for the new term.



Macmillan Coffee Morning



Year 6 will be holding their annual coffee morning supporting Macmillan on Thursday 27th September. This is all the more poignant this year as we will be remembering Mrs Freer and Mr Watson. I know how much support my family received from the specialist cancer nurses both in hospital and at home. They provide much needed advice and support through difficult times. So let's get baking (or buying) cakes! If you can't make the morning event after drop off why not come and buy some cakes to take home at the end of the day.

Sports Update

We have a full and varied sports calendar of sporting events planned for this year including multi skills, cross country, swimming, football, tag rugby, cricket and gymnastics. New court markings will shortly be painted on both playgrounds. Premier sports are continuing to teach KS2 children part of the PE curriculum this year as well as running Dodgeball and Gymnastics after school.

Parent's Evenings

Parent's Evenings - We will be holding our Parent's Evenings before the half term break this year as follows:-

Wednesday 10th October – 5pm – 7pm

Thursday 11th October 4pm – 6pm

FREE SCHOOL MEALS APPEAL

The school receives extra income called pupil premium funding for children whose families are eligible for free school meals. This money is vital to our budget and helps provide extra staffing and resources as well as covering enrichment activities for identified students. Now all children receive a free meal in KS1 some families are not claiming their entitlement. Please can you check the website for further information regarding the criteria as every penny at Bringhurst really does count or enquire at the office.

Dates for Your Diary



Tuesday 18th September

Boys Y5/6 Football League

Sunday 23rd September

Family Fun Day 12:00pm – 3:00pm

Tuesday 25th September

Boys Y3/4 Football League

Thursday 27th September

Parent Association AGM 6:30pm in the school hall

Thursday 27th September

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Friday 28th September

Y6 Shakespeare Workshop at Corby Cube
&

Y6 2017/2018 Leavers Reunion at 4:00pm in the school hall
&

Rutland Sports Cross Country at Sykes Lane 3:00pm – 6:00pm

Monday 1st to Friday 5th October

Y5 trip to Condoover Hall

Tuesday 2nd October

Girls Y5/6 Football League

Thursday 4th October

Census Day

Wednesday 10th October and Thursday 11th October

Parent's Evenings

Friday 12th October

Harvest Festival at Great Easton Church 2pm

School Closes for Half Term