

Newsletter December 18th 2015



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Dear Parents,

What a week of celebrations! On Monday we found out that Bringham Primary was the top school in Leicestershire in the Primary School League Tables. While I know that such tables only take into account performance in year 6 tests, and are therefore not all we should consider when judging the quality of education a school has to offer, it is still quite an accolade. So well done everyone on the staff team especially Mrs Hemmings. We have high hopes for our current year 6 too even with a new assessment system!

Many thanks to the PTA for organising the Christmas Fayre earlier in December. The event proved a great success with lots of festive activities and treats. A huge thank you to all who gave up their time and to those of you who came and spent some money. I believe the total to date is over £900 and still rising. Well worth the effort and I'm sure I will have plenty of suggestions for how it can be spent in 2016!

As I write this I am listening to our lovely Reception and Year 1 children getting ready for their evening Nativity performance. The children excelled in telling their version of the Christmas Story. Seeing them in their costumes and singing so joyfully brought a tear to my eyes. A huge thank you to Mrs Palmer, Mrs Muto and Mrs Allison for preparing them so well.

Finally I would like to wish every Bringham family a very merry Christmas and good health and happiness in the New Year.

Angela Watson

Headteacher.



Retirement News

Our wonderful premises officer Mrs Bell has decided to hang up her feather duster after over 13 years at the school at the end of January. I am sure you would all like to join with me in wishing her a long and happy retirement. She is looking forward to spending more time with her family and friends. We are planning a proper send off before she locks up for the final time and if you would like to contribute to the collection for her please see Shirley or Natasha in the office.

Double Celebration For Mrs Freer

Following a successful interview this week I am delighted to announce that Mrs Freer has been appointed Deputy Head at Bringham. She has been a great support to me over the last few months and I know that together with the staff team we can continue to provide a first class education for all of our pupils. Mrs Freer has also been chosen as Maths subject Lead for our cluster and I know she will do a splendid job in raising standards in maths both here at Bringham and in the other DRET schools.

Simply the Best



The winning house this term was Cartwright with an amazing 2,476 points. House Captain Holly Upton and Vice-Captain Harry Spooner were thrilled to get their House together for a film and treats afternoon.

Christmas Card Winner

Congratulations to Sienna Cory in Year 2, her Christmas Card Design of an angel was chosen as one of the winning designs in the DRET Christmas Card Competition.

Mini Reports

I hope you like our new style mini reports in response to parent feedback. These provide a brief summary of your child's attainment and progress at this point in the year. Please remember that some children will not yet be where they are expected to be within the new assessment system and Mrs Freer has put together a leaflet which we hope explains in more detail the new system we are using. Please see your child's teacher or myself after the holiday if you need further information.

New Reception Area

Can all parents and visitors please use the window in the new Reception Area when needing help from the office staff? Thank you.

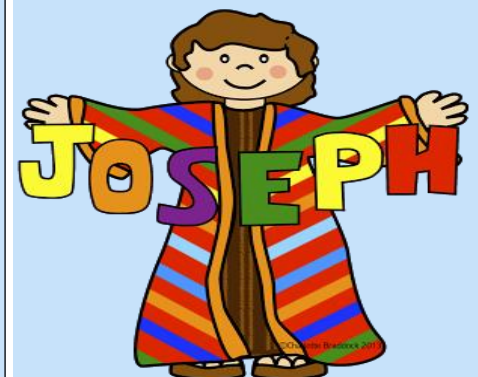
Sports

Can I request that over the holiday you check your child has adequate clothing for outdoor PE when we return? In order to ensure children can go out and so we can also have indoor PE sessions each child needs a black tracksuit and outdoor trainers. When very cold they can add a fleece, gloves and a hat.

Coaching

If anyone can offer any coaching after school for our Football or Rugby teams please get in touch with us. Our children would really benefit from regular team practice.

Date for your Diary



The choir are busy rehearsing for their production of Joseph which will take place at the school on the 17th March 2015.

A Happy Christmas to you all from all our little angels!

