

Bredhurst Church Of England Primary School



Parents As Partners

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Church of England Vision for Education

Deeply Christian, Serving the Common Good.

John 10:10 "I came that you might have life, life in all its fullness".

Bredhurst Church of England Primary Vision:

To learn and grow through the guidance and love of God.

Self Control

Perseverance

Inclusion

Respect

Inspiration

Trust



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has certainly been a cold week, although this does not seem to have bothered the children who have been very busy in both their playing and learning. I am not sure the staff on playground duty have been so impressed!

On Thursday Forge class led us in a worship about friendship in the wider world. I was impressed with how clearly and how well they read, they had some difficult words to read but all managed very well. They reminded the whole school about the message of being kind to others and how to be a good friend.



Today some of our year 5 and 6 children have represented the school in the Mini Youth Games Swimming Competition. We also had a very brave year 4 child, Mia Jones, join them. Well done to all the children who trialed for the competition, it is a tricky one as we really do have to pick our most confident swimmers. It is a very competitive competition and we need to ensure our children can safely swim at least 2 legal strokes to be able to take part. Mr Peters reported there were issues with the starting beep being too quiet which affected some of our swimmers, especially as we were in the first heat when the issue was noticed. We are keeping our fingers crossed that they have had a great time, it is always a great atmosphere, with the children all cheering on the rest of their team.

Also today, Lily Avis, in Forge Class, has inspired year 6 with her gymnastics skills. She joined their PE lesson to show them how to put a routine together. Well done Lily!



Our school council met this week. We discussed a manner of things including lunchtime equipment and how they are all enjoying playing with the new equipment, although the school council were disappointed to see some children just leaving it on the field or wherever they have been playing with it for someone else to tidy away. They also talked about lunchtime in the hall and how the children are sitting - we will be looking at alternatives to how they are seated so they are not split apart from their friends when the hall is busy. We also discussed bullying and the anti-bullying survey we carry out annually with the children. The school council children said they do not feel that children always know what bullying actually is. Therefore they have decided to lead a worship about it, explaining the difference between being unkind or having a falling out with a friend and actual bullying. They were very grown up and thoughtful in their discussions around this sensitive topic.





Elliott Shepherd reminded me that St. David's house did not get a Tag day for being the wining house last term. Their Tag Day, when they can wear their own clothes into school, with yellow item is: Monday 22nd January -sorry that we forgot about you St. David's house! St. George's house is currently the wining house for term 3, with an 82 point lead!

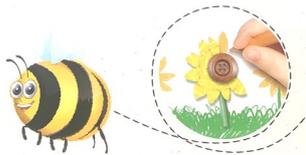
Next week, Wednesday 24th January, we will be holding a drop in coffee morning. This will give you the opportunity to ask any questions you may have to myself or Mrs Place, and to take time to have a chat over a hot drink with other parents. We are hoping to have someone from the community paediatric team join us for our next coffee morning on Thursday 29th February. We will send out more information nearer to the time.



Don't forget next Thursday 25th January is a Children's Tombola Donation Tag Day, your child will be able to wear their own clothes to school in exchange for a donation to our Children's Tombola Stall for May Day. Don't forget that we expect ALL children to attend May Day as we class it as a school day and give the children a lieu day for this at the end of June. May day will be held on Saturday 18th May this year.

Hurstwood class will be leading worship on Thursday 25th January too! Don't forget to join us; parents and grandparents!

Across the school we will be celebrating Storytelling week from Monday 29th January, we look forward to finding out the activities Miss Meade will have planned for the children to take part in.



Yesterday the children took home a "Bee Ready" competition template, provided by the Bumblebee Conservation Trust. They are asking that children design a 3D flower garden poster, showing what hungry bees can feast on when they come out of hibernation. They can draw their design on the template and then make it 3D by adding bits of material, paper, card, buttons or anything else they have to hand. There will be two winners from each school, both receiving a certificate and a flower garden set for their classroom.

On Wednesday 31st January at 2.30pm we will be holding a FOBS meeting. Please do come along and join us if you are free and find out about the different events we will be holding throughout the school year.

Have a lovely weekend,

Michelle Cox

Duke Awards - This week's achievers

Well done to:-

Evie Cross - for her presentation and for independence (cleaning teeth)

Harrison Watts - Speed dressing, independence (cleaning teeth) and folding clothes





Stars of the Week

Fir Tree Emilia Hale
 Forge Lucia Stageman
 Hurstwood Holly Abdey
 Kemsley Joseph Littler
 Oakwood Ella Hyland



Spirit of Bredhurst

Fir Tree Freya Tickner
 Forge Lily Avis
 Hurstwood Imisi Awofeko
 Kemsley Joseph Littler
 Oakwood Luke Wallace



Writer of the Week

Fir Tree Ruby Fifield
 Forge Thea Clarke
 Hurstwood Fern Grant
 Kemsley Jacob Knowles
 Oakwood Neriah Bayode



JANUARY

24th Drop in coffee morning
 25th Children's Tombola Tag Day
 25th Hurstwood Worship
 30th Oakwood Worship

FEBRUARY

1st NSPCC Numbers Day
 1st Infant parent maths workshop
 2nd Captain Wonderweb!
 5th Mental Health Week
 6th Safer Internet Day
 7th Parents Evening
 8th Parents Evening
 8th Kemsley Worship
 8th MYG Table Tennis—Medway Park
 9th Last Day & Pancake Races @2.30pm
Monday 12th - Friday 16th February - Half Term Break
 19th Children return to school
 21st Cross Country—Medway Park
 22nd Drama for All
 29th Coffee Morning

MARCH

1ST Gymnastics Display @2.30pm
 8th Mother's Day Gift Sale
 8th **Bredhurst's Got Talent**
 15th Parents invited to Celebration Worship
 28th Easter Service, Easter Egg Hunt & Last Day
Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April - Easter Break

APRIL

15TH Children return to school

MAY

6th Bank Holiday
Monday 13th—Thursday 16th - KS2 SATs week
 18th May Day
 24th Last Day of Term
Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May - Half Term Break

JUNE

3rd **Staff Development Day**
 5th 11+ 1:1 Meetings
 6th 11+ 1:1 Meetings
 11th 11+ 1:1 Meetings
 17th-21st Year 6 PGL
 27th **Sports Day**
 28th **Lieu Day for May Day (No Children in)**

JULY

1st **Staff Development Day**
 3rd Transition Morning
 4th Transition Morning
 18th **Leaver's Disco**
 19th **Whole School Trip**
 22nd **Pool Party - Year 6**
 23rd **Leavers service + Last Day**