



Brampton Abbotts CE Primary School Newsletter

Wednesday 1st November 2017

Diary Dates

November

- Thursday 2nd
High-5s Winter Games @ JKHS
- Tuesday 7th
School photographs day
- Monday 13th
Parent Consultations #1
- Monday 20th
Parent Consultations #2
- Thursday 30th
PTFA Whole School Panto Trip

Our Value for November:
Peace

Welcome Back!

Following on from a very successful Harvest Service at the end of last half term, we are already into the infamous 'run up to Christmas'! This will of course herald Nativity practices and performances amongst many other winter themed events towards the end of this term. I would like to take this opportunity to commend all parents and carers for the superb effort going into attendance last term. Our attendance figures (as you'll see below) are very positive. Long may this continue.

Whole School Attendance Overview

Whole school attendance target this year: **96%**

Last year (2016-2017) we only achieved 94.5%

WHOLE SCHOOL: 97.3% (DATE: 31.10.17)

Class Attendance (up to and inc. 31.10.17)

Inkpen Class: 97.9%	Ahlberg Class 97.7%
Donaldson Class: 94.5%	Rowling Class: 99.3%
Dahl Class: 97.2%	

Congratulations to Rowling Class for the best attendance of the year to date (2 months running!).

Attendance Week

As an initiative to continue to build upon the positive start this year to whole school attendance, we will be running an 'attendance week'. This will be a dedicated week where every child that attends for the whole week will be entered into a prize draw to win a prize. Assemblies and some class time will also be put over to looking at the importance of attending school every day. Our first planned attendance week at Brampton Abbotts will be: **Monday 27th November – Friday 1st December 2017**

Parking

The school have had some complaints from residents about potentially dangerous parking outside of school in the mornings and after school. This has been especially the case on the corner of Verscholye Gardens. The local PCOs have been informed and will be doing some spot checks over the next few weeks to tackle any of this type of parking. Please consider how and where you park when dropping off and picking up each day.

School Meals

Please ensure your child's name is on their menu. Menu choices should be for the whole week.

Inkpen (Class 1) and Donaldson (Class 2) menus should be returned in book bags, Key Stage 2 menus should be returned to the office.

Please ensure these are in by **Thursday morning** at the latest.

Payment (if applicable) should be in a sealed envelope clearly marked with your child's name and class name (or number), and the full amount enclosed.

Winter is coming

Sorry to say that Winter is on its way and this means that children will need to start bringing coats, hats and so on into school with them. Some days, it can be quite chilly on the playground and on other days we may go out when there is very light rain at breaktimes just so we can all get a little fresh air. Please can parents ensure that children bring coats into school every day.

Vacancy for Parent Governor

I must advise you that Mrs Emma Davies (mother of Ebony) has tendered her resignation as a parent governor. She has been a valued member of the governing body for the last 3 years and she will be missed. There is now a vacancy for a parent governor which we would like to fill as soon as possible. I invite any parent / carer who might be interested in supporting the school through this role to have a chat with Mr Brearey sometime soon. Please make an appointment through the school office.

Charity Shop Take-over

The PTFA will be renting the Job Centre Charity Shop in Ross-on-Wye from Saturday 18th November – Friday 24th November. They will be selling second hand goods to raise funds for our school.

We are looking for decent quality second hand goods (clothes, shoes, toys, books etc) that can be sold in the shop. Donations should be given to Sue (Summer Richardson-Wall's Nanny) or Nanny Rita.

If you are able to offer any time in supporting the selling of items, please see a member of the PTFA with the times you can offer and they will add you to the list of volunteers. Even a few hours will help.
