



Tuesday 20th September 2022

## The Braeburn Bulletin

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Welcome to the first addition of the Braeburn Bulletin for 2022-23. We hope you find it informative.

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### TOP STORIES

#### **Welcome back**

I can't quite believe that we are already 2 weeks into the new school year. It has been lovely to see how quickly the children have settled into their classes. Last week, you received a phase newsletter, to tell you what's happening and when in your child's class. I hope you found the information interesting. It's always good to know what's happening and when! At the end of this Bulletin is a list of key dates for this term.

#### **Effective communication**

Please ensure that you regularly check ClassDojo. This is our main method for communication with you. If you need any support downloading or using the app, please speak to a member of our office team, who will be happy to help. Can I kindly ask that you don't message staff after 6pm or before 8am on the app, thank you.

#### **Getting the best start to the day for all children**

A polite reminder that the gates open each morning at 8:40am. Please aim to arrive soon after this, to avoid the last minute rush. Your child will get a much calmer and more settled start to each day, with additional time in the classroom to settle in before the register is taken. Excellent attendance and punctuality will remain a big focus for us this year. Please contact Mrs Exton on 07790955218 if you need to discuss any difficulties you are having with attendance and punctuality.

#### **Working together**

During the autumn term, there will be many opportunities for you to get involved in school life, details of which can be found in the 'key dates for the term' at the end of this Bulletin. We are keen for you to know as much as possible about school life as there is much to be proud of. We are running most of our workshops at 2pm and 6pm, based on feedback. This is so that as many of you as possible can attend. If you can think of any other sessions/workshops which you would find useful, please do let us know.

### **Enriching the curriculum**

The staff team have worked extremely hard to plan an exciting curriculum for your children. In addition to what our class teachers provide, the curriculum for all children will be supported by Cook School (Mrs Hill), OAA (Mr Armstrong), Hub (Mrs Jarvis), Computing (Mrs Langham), PE (Miss Collier) and Swimming (Miss Parry).

Information for After School Clubs has recently been shared with you. These will start next week and you will receive information if your child has been offered a place in the clubs they requested. Please look out for this.

### **After school care**

Due to a recent change in circumstances, we are actively looking to start some after school wraparound care here at school. We are hopeful that this will be in place for the start of October to help support families where this is needed. Many thanks for your support in swiftly returning the recent letter where we asked you to express your interest. I will update you as soon as I can with a definite starting date and time.

### **Uniform**

The vast majority of our children have returned to school in full, appropriate uniform and look really smart. A polite reminder that trainers are not part of our uniform and should not be worn. Can I also please remind you that the black fleeces that were worn during winter last year will not be allowed in classrooms this year. They are to be worn as coats, not as a replacement for our purple school jumpers or cardigans.

### **Key dates for the Autumn Term (September - November) December dates to follow**

For the majority of the events listed, further information will be shared nearer the date, as appropriate. There may also be information which is specific to your child's class - this will be shared with you separately.

September		
Date	Timings	Event
26th	After school	After school extra-curricular clubs begin
29th	2pm - 3pm	SEN drop in with Mrs Clay and the Inclusion Team
October		
4th	9am	Reception parents phonics drop-in with Mrs Aitken
5th	2pm and 6pm	Key Stage 1 Parent/Carer information session: How to support your child with Phonics
10th - 15th	By appointment	SEND Target setting meetings
12th	2pm and 6pm	Year 6 Parent/Carer information session: How to help prepare your child for Year 6 SATs

19th	2pm and 6pm	Year 4 Parent/Carer information session: How to help prepare your child for Year 4 multiplication check
21st/31st		Break up for half-term/Return to school after holiday

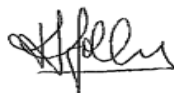
November		
1st	2:15pm	Open Doors for EYFS classes
2nd	2:15pm	Open Doors for KS1 classes
3rd	2:15pm	Open Doors for KS2 classes
8th, 9th, 10th	After school	EYFS, KS1 & KS2 Parents Evenings
16th November	2pm and 6pm	Year 2 Parent/Carer information session: How to help prepare your child for their Year 2 assessments.
17th	1.30pm - 3pm	Behaviour Drop In
18th		Children in Need Day
25th		Training Day - school closed

December
Dates for December will be shared in our usual 'Christmas at Braeburn' letter which will be distributed after October half-term.

*In addition to the autumn term dates, please also be aware of key dates for statutory tests for certain year groups. No holidays will be authorised during these periods (please put them in diaries now) and avoid any absence during these periods.*

**May 15th - May 26th - Key Stage 1 SATs (Year 2)**  
**May 8th - May 11th - Key Stage 2 SATs (Year 6)**  
**June 5th - June 26th - Multiplication Checks (Year 4)**  
**June 12th - 16th - Phonics Screening week (Year 1 and 2)**

Kind regards



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