

*Please read this carefully - it
contains important information!!*



NEWSLETTER

JULY 2016

21st July, 2016

Dear Parents,

This will be our last newsletter before the summer break. Term dates for the coming year are listed on the back of this newsletter. They will also be available on our website.

I would like to wish you all a very enjoyable and safe summer holiday with your children, and we look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 5th September.

Yours sincerely,

Sharon Flowers
Headteacher

School Dinners

School dinners next half-term (Monday 5th September to Friday 21st October) will cost:-

KS1	Free	
KS2	34 days @ £1.95	£66.30 (£9.75 per week)
Years 3, 4 & 5	33 days @ £1.95	£64.35
Fun Fridays - KS2	7 days @ £1.95	£13.65

Please remember dinner payments are made through the Allpay Cashless system; you will need to top up your child's account. As a parent/guardian, you will have been allocated with an account for your child and issued with a barcoded letter. You have the freedom to top-up securely in a number of ways:

online - using a debit card via Allpay's internet payment services - www.allpayments.net

over the phone - using a debit card via Allpay's telephone payment services - 0844 557 8321 **over the counter** - by presenting the barcoded letter at any PayPoint or Post Office outlet **through the Allpay App** - available to download from the Apple App Store or Google Play for your smartphone. This option is proving to be most popular.

No cash or cheques for top up will be taken at school.

Please note: If your child changes from dinners to packed lunch, or vice versa, you must give the kitchen one week's notice. If dinner money is not paid for 1 week, no further meals will be provided until the debt is cleared.

As a school we endorse the position of the catering services and will not be supplying dinner to a child if the kitchen refuses to give a meal. If the child has not got a packed lunch, we will contact you; you will then have the responsibility of making sure that you provide a lunch for your child.

ALL DINNER MONEY QUERIES ARE DEALT WITH BY THE SCHOOL MEALS' CASHIER, Mrs Shearer, (telephone 562945).

Useful Information and Reminders

Family Workers' News

The end of term is upon us already and it's been a busy year! Mrs Altaf has run in conjunction with many staff a variety of workshops for parents. More sessions on different topics will be following next academic year; we would love to hear from you if there is a specific session you would like to see us put on. A big thank you to all the parents who attended the workshops, we hope you have found them informative and useful.

Reminder-Toddler Time runs on a Monday morning at 9.00am-10.15am in the Family room. Our first day back in September will be Monday 19th September.

Meeting Needs Coffee Morning

This is a coffee morning for parents of children who have a physical, medical, Special educational or additional learning needs. It is an informal coffee morning to meet other parents in similar situations and also to get information on clubs, activities and support for you and/or your children. In the coffee morning I can source specific information or resources and occasionally we have a speaker from a local support group or charity.

The dates for the start of the next academic year are:

Wednesday 14th September at 9.00am-10.30am

Wednesday 12th October at 9.00am-10.30am

Year 5 Parents - High School choices session - I will be hosting a session explaining the secondary school application process alongside Tracey Gentle, an Admissions Officer from Luton Borough Council, on Monday 12th September @ 9.00am in the Family room. The session will last roughly three quarters of an hour but Tracey will be available at the end if you need to ask specific questions. A letter has already been sent home and is available on the website.

Emotional Wellbeing Course

Miss Legg is running an Emotional Wellbeing course for parents starting on Tuesday 27th September 9.15am-11.45am in the Family room. The course runs for 12 weeks term time only. It will look into the emotional needs we all have as human beings, what can happen if these needs are not met and understanding how to address the balance and support ourselves and our children to develop ways of coping, managing and being more emotional resilient human beings. Please feel to contact Miss Legg to enquire further and book a place. Flyers and information will be available soon.

English as a Second Language Session

Mrs Altaf is holding a session for parents where English is a second or even third language. The first session will be hearing from you as parents about the information you need to support your children at school and with their learning. The following sessions will be decided on feedback from you as parents. The first session is on Wednesday 21st September at 2.30pm-3.20pm (time to be confirmed)

Other information that may be of interest...

Luton Foodbank

If you are unable to feed your family please contact Luton Food bank on 01582 725838 or email info@lutonfoodbank.org.uk

A big thank you to everyone who contributed to the food bank collection at school.

Summer Family Fun

<http://www.dayoutwiththekids.co.uk/things-to-do/luton>

Luton Uniform Exchange Shop

Thousands of children in Luton go to school with no school uniform, no winter coat and shoes that are falling apart. Since the council stopped the school uniform grant in September 2014, more than 8,550 children are thought to be struggling to school without adequate uniform and shoes.

The Uniform Exchange allows families to get uniforms on presentation of a school's voucher or to swap uniforms their children have grown out of for uniforms that fit.

37c Upper George Street
Luton
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There is a lot of information and links for advice and support on our area of the website should you need this over the summer. Dates and letters will also be available on the website. We hope you have a safe and enjoyable summer. Good luck to those starting new schools and we look forward to seeing you all, refreshed and ready to go in September.

Miss Legg and Mrs Altaf

Sports Results

Results can be seen in more detail on our website; however, a brief update is as follows:

Yr 6 Football County finalists (changed)
Yr 2 Tri-golf – Bronze
Yr 4 Tri-golf – Bronze
Yr 6 Tri-golf – Gold
Zone Sports – 15 qualified for Town Finals
Town Sports – 1 Bronze, 1 Silver and Tug-of war team obtained Silver
Sports Day – Winter won (lots of positive comments from staff and parents)
We are hosting Yr 4 Rounders festival next week

Mr. Wyatt and Mr. Bavington

Talent Show

On Thursday 16th June, we held our talent show, 'Bramingham's Got Talent'. The show featured a host of children from Squirrels, Key Stage One and Key Stage Two. We were amazed at the range of talents on display, and by the quality of the performances. We were enraptured by our children's vocal stylings, dance moves, gymnastics, comedic timing and lots more besides. It was a fantastic evening of great entertainment. We would like to say a big thank you to all who attended, and to the children themselves of course! Encore! Look out for photos of the evening on our website!

Art Competition

During the summer term, we were invited to participate in a town-wide competition called 'Positive Luton'. A group of children worked with their teachers to design and create a piece of artwork that showed why we are proud of our town. They wrote their own song and created a piece of manuscript paper. The notes on the staves were intricate illustrations of the lyrics. The competition voting was done online and we would like to thank those of you who took the time to look at our work, and to vote! We are very proud to say that we came in third place. A photograph of our design can be seen in Luton Central Library. Wow!

The Star Reading Challenge

<i>Squirrels Red</i> Sarrinah Ahmad Dylan Bishop Sophie Broom Safia Choudhry Emily Dignam Ayisha Djerboua Kobe Edwards Abhi Kalsi Ethan Lane Ethan Newton Michal Nieradzinski Pijus Pikunas Grace Powell Zoha Saad Mia Shanley Ramani Srimohanrajah Dhilan Thanki	<i>Squirrels Orange</i> Grace Bhadmus Erion Blakcori Ella-Grace Harvey Madison Hogan Ellie Janes Shanaye Lawrence Dylan Smith
<i>Year 1 - Swifts</i> Alexus Bailey Oliver Blake Zoha Chaudary Yusuf Choudhury Camille Dabeeah Jack Hoar Aleena Hussain Aaliyah-Rae Jackaman	<i>Year 1 - Robins</i> Jamie Bryan Aleksander Byrne Chloe Chen Anthony Davidel Conor Garahee-Sugrue Eleanor Griggs Hansini Jugroop Emaan Khan

Crystal La Riviere-Monlouis Matthew Lyall Piotr Porowski Tyler Presswell Tristan Ranson Angelina Sirjeva Eveline Stoian Ahren Talwar Luquel Walker Connor Woods Bobby Wright Olly Young	Carlos La Riviere-Monlouis Zaina-Hibbah Malik Bailey Morehen Kade Owens Kyla Stanger Noah Watson Maisie White Poppy Yeatman
<i>Year 2 - Foxes</i> Sharon Bampoe Shannon Davey-Slasor Kyle Fensome Connor Janes Zaina Khan Marcus King Max Lawence Chimpuruiche Rkia Provencal Isa Shah Lily Sullivan	<i>Year 2 - Wrens</i> Sarah Choudhry Mia Daly Mahhek Imani Kabir Evelyn Lesan Amber Shaw
<i>Year 3 - Owls</i> Anthony Anderson Amelie Blake Katy Bolton Thomas Breen Tykia Campbell Radu Ciobanu Sophie Collins Brandon Doyle Daniel Jones Maddie Wheeler Lucy Mei Willmott Leo Yamazaki-Fenning Saim Zaidi	<i>Year 3 - Rabbits</i> Reuben Apaw Daniel Collins Imogen Davidson Chloe Dignam Jazia Djerboua Maddison Dominy-Lewis Charlie Gray Isla Herrity Helena Hughes Pritesh Jhurry Joshua Jones Ayaan Kabir Jack Kelly Ollie Morris Harry Roberts
<i>Year 4 - Badgers</i> Naomi Adeosun Latia Awuah-Wojega Mia Blaydon Chanaz Butawo Arnez Chikanya Josh Cook Tristin Ellis Sinead Garahee-Surgue	<i>Year 4 - Hedgehogs</i> Vanisha Ahir Adham Ahmed Mariam Ali Hisbaan Ali Zain Ali Harry Barnard Isabel Buckley Eduard Butu

<p>Sophia Ghani Tyler Gomez Childs George Jackaman Kushal Jhurry Radha Katechia Xavier Khan Zain Khan Om Khokhri Janel Nattey Tianna Ranson Omari Walker-Brooks Harley Wilson</p>	<p>Harry Clarke Gracy-Mai Golby Jehu Josephs Poppy Legg Corey Mairs Mya-Lilly Mays Ella Mossman Precious Olayinka Evie Riddle Inayah Shah Elijah Watson</p>
<p><i>Year 5 - Frogs</i> Fiona Apaw Coral Ayres Jacey Challis Abigail Flower Rehan Iqbal Harsimran Kaur Danielle Kelly Danica Kessie Megan King Maddison McArthur Patrick McCarey Jessica Murphy Elif Noble Enhakkorre Obeng Nathan Pink Safia Sam Chandrasingh Sherbano Shah Ariana Talwar Adam Upperton</p>	<p><i>Year 5 - Magpies</i> Jeremy Barfour James Beesley Georgie-Leigh Campbell Jake Challiss Joshua Croft Tristan Dabeeah Joshua Daly Jasmine Golby Aliya Loi Elsie Oware Abbie Perryman Karan Samra Faizah Suleman Elise Tombs Kirsty Tuffen Oliver Wheeler Chloe Yeatman</p>
<p><i>Year 6 - Kestrels</i> Somidotun Adeosun Sahil Ahmed Oluwatomisin Alao Jalen Ankrah Benita Bampoe Safira Djerboua Oliver Dominy-Lewis Tiana Hibble Leo Higgs Erin Jesson Emily Jones Wallace Kibe Jack Loft Tawana Mataba Pritchard Oware Adam Pryer Fahim Qadeer</p>	<p><i>Year 6 - Doves</i> Andrei Butu Somto Chukwuma Charlie Conquest Molly-Mae Davidson Adam Doward Holly Duffy Josh Edwards Jaylarne Elliott-Burton Temidire Fashina Shaun George A'Ishah Iqbal Shyam Khokhri Ryan Lister Harrison McIntyre Kyla Mullings Genry Sadoyev Ronnie Willmott</p>

Mateusz Rybacki Manveer Singh Shauna Singh Felix Standard Allyeah Watkins-Steen Muneebah Zamir	Callum Woods Bethany Yeatman Luke Young Hiba Zaidi
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Friends of Bramingham PTA

Our Summer Fayre was once more very successful; we raised approximately £2,000. Thank you to the Friends and all the helpers on this occasion and throughout the year for their efforts.

Staff Leaving

We have several members of staff leaving us:

Miss McKenna who will be spending more time with her young family, Mrs Lowen, Miss Davie and Miss Mills (Teaching Assistants) who will be doing their teacher training and will be based in different schools; Tina Bradham and Mrs Summerill (two of our mid-day supervisors) and Sarah Lee (Teaching Assistant) moving on to pastures new.

We wish them all every success in their new roles, and will miss them dearly!

We will be welcoming:

- Mrs Wilson, Mrs Watson and Miss Thompson-Robertson who will be joining our support team of teaching assistants.
- We will also welcome Lauren Dougherty in her new role as a trainee teacher.

Swimming Lessons

In the new academic year, children in Years 5, 4 and 3 will be going swimming with the school on Fridays for a term each, starting with Year 5 in the autumn term, Year 4 in the spring term and Year 3 in the summer term. The first day for swimming will be Friday 9th September. Parents of new Year 5 children have received more information and details of the cost.

Milk

Milk will be available for children from Monday 19th September. Letters with details of the cost will be sent out on the first day of term, Monday 5th September.

Clubs

A letter will be sent out in September giving information about new club times and starting dates.

New classes 2016 – 2017

The table below details all the new classes for the next academic year.

OLD CLASS	NEW CLASS	YEAR GROUP	TEACHER	ROOM
	Squirrels	Year R	Mrs Crowder Mrs Hiskett Miss Macdonald	The Drey
SQU Mixed	ROBINS	Year 1	Miss Garton	1
SQU Mixed	SWIFTS	Year 1	Mrs Bartlett (M T W) Mrs Zajac (Th F)	2
SWIFTS	WRENS	Year 2	Miss Bassett	Right side of double hut
ROBINS	FOXES	Year 2	Mrs Brook (M T W) Mrs Bharaj (Th F)	4
WRENS	OWLS	Year 3	Mrs Baker (M T W Th) Mrs Kelly (Fri)	5
FOXES	RABBITS	Year 3	Miss Gosling	6
RABBITS	BADGERS	Year 4	Mrs Khinda	7
OWLS	HEDGEHOGS	Year 4	Miss Finnerty	8
BADGERS	FROGS	Year 5	Miss Dougherty (M T) & Mrs Robinson (W Th Fri)	9
HEDGEHOGS	MAGPIES	Year 5	Miss Fitzgerald	10
FROGS	DOVES	Year 6	Miss Ryan (M T W Th) Mr Wyatt (Fri)	11
MAGPIES	KESTRELS	Year 6	Miss Smith	12

Lost Property

We are seeing increasing amounts of lost property each term, so can we remind you to please **ensure you name all uniform** - especially school sweatshirts. If they are clearly named we can return them to your child.

Children Cycling to School

We encourage children to ride their bikes or scooters to school. Please remind your children of road safety and how to ride their bikes in a safe way. We have had several near misses!

We would also like to remind parents that, for safety reasons, before the start and at the end of the school day, children should not ride their bikes or scooters, play football or use any of the equipment in the school playground.

Children's safety in Freeman Avenue

Can we remind parents to avoid driving up Freeman Avenue to drop their children off for school unless they have a pass as this can put children at risk. We have had dangerous incidents reported to us by our site agent who is on attendance at the school gate in the morning and in the afternoon:-

Front Gate (Cars,Taxis,Parking)

Numbers of parents and taxis trying to gain access to the school during the 'exclusion time' have significantly increased recently; equally parents continue to park at the side of the road down Freeman Avenue. Cars parked in this area cause an obstruction in general, and in particular some of them block pushchair access. A combination of the two is causing a significant problem to the safety of the children.

We are very fortunate that Sainsbury's store has always very kindly allowed parents to park in their car park when dropping off or collecting children. When using Sainsbury's car park, do not drop off or collect children by just momentarily stopping by the access ramp in the car park. There can be a long line of cars stopped adjacent to the wall dropping off or picking up children resulting in a number of close shaves with cars turning into and out of the aisle. Although it is not our area, Sainsbury's goodwill might be stretched if accidents were to start to happen. There is also the car park at the back of The Bramingham public house/ local shops. Please make sure you use this facility and avoid parking in Campania Grove, Cicero Drive as this area is for the use of local residents and their visitors or in Quantock Court car park as it is reserved for residents and transport/ambulances.

We would appreciate your co-operation in this matter, for the safety of all concerned.

Parking/Access to the school

The school car park should only be used by staff and school visitors. Parents should not be driving into the school car park to drop off or collect their children unless:-

- It is to drop them off at Breakfast Club (before 8.45) am or to collect them from our After School Club or other after school clubs.

- They have a disabled badge; we have spaces in the school car park which are reserved for people driving cars with disabled badges **only**.
- They have been authorised by the school and have a school permit (these are issued by the school office in specific circumstances).

Dogs on the school premises

Dogs may be allowed on the school premises but we must all be mindful of the health safety risk that this may cause and the fact that some children and adults will be scared of dogs. Dog owners have to act responsibly and ensure that their pet will not cause harm or distress and therefore may enter the school grounds as long as they respect the following rules:-

- Keep dogs on a tight leash and ensure they are aware of people's reactions around their pet and that their pet does not behave in an aggressive manner towards people or other dogs
- Make sure that their dog does not foul on the school grounds or ensure that if they do, they clear it up immediately

No Smoking

In line with the council's policy, Bramingham Primary School is AT ALL TIMES A NO SMOKING SCHOOL. May we therefore remind parents not to smoke (this includes smoking electronic cigarettes) on the school premises. This also applies to the school car park, playground and playing field.

The safety of our/your children is paramount to us all!

Term Dates

Below are the term dates for 2016/2017. A copy of these dates is displayed on the Parents' Notice Board in the entrance lobby as well as on our website (bramingham.net - note no 'www').

Term dates 2016/2017

Autumn Term 2016

Term Starts	Monday 5 September 2016
Half term	Week commencing Monday 24 October 2016
Term ends	Tuesday 20 December 2016
Training Day	Friday 2 September 2016 Monday 3 October 2016

Spring Term 2017

Term starts	Thursday 5 January 2017
Half term	Week commencing Monday 13 February 2017
Term ends	Friday 31 March 2017

Summer Term 2017

Term starts	Tuesday 18 April 2017
Half term	Week commencing Tuesday 30 May 2017
Term ends	Friday 21 July 2017
Training Day	Friday 23rd June 2017