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Headteacher's notes...



I hope you all survived the rain yesterday! It certainly caused excitement in school and the children coped really well with not going outside at all. It has been a very busy half term with lots of positives to celebrate. The 'Writing Wall' started by Mrs Cooper is full of wonderful examples from every year group and the children enjoy seeing their work on displays all around the school.

Children from Year 5 and Year 6 represented the school well in the Tag Rugby Festival earlier this week and the Stibbington visit for Year 5 was also very successful. Everyone looked great in their 1940s costumes and clearly enjoyed their time as evacuees. Thank you to all the staff and volunteers who supported these events.



I know that the teachers have enjoyed meeting with you at the Parent Consultations this week and I hope that you have found them useful and informative as always. Don't forget that On Wednesday 2nd November we will be holding an Open Afternoon which will start as soon as school finishes and will end at 4.30pm. It is an opportunity for you to visit your child's classroom, meet their teacher and see some of the work that they have done this term. We look forward to seeing you.

We are all mindful of the current pressures on families and so we have taken the decision to limit each year group to one curriculum-linked educational visit this year. Contributions from the PTA help to reduce costs significantly and because of this it means that we are able to run visits that we know are successful whilst keeping costs down for everyone. Governors have supported this and we hope that you will understand why this decision has been made. We will keep it under review should anything change.

We say goodbye to Miss Wanless today and wish her all the best. We are also sorry that Mrs Pettitt, our SENCo, will be leaving at the end of this term.

A reminder that we finish for half term today and the children return on Monday 31st October.

Volunteers

We are pleased to be able to welcome volunteers back into school again this term. If you were in last term then there is no need to complete the paperwork again. If you are unsure or would like to help the children please contact the school on office@brampton.cambs.sch.uk.

After half term...

We will be taking part in activities to do with Anti-Bullying Week 2022 which is from Monday 14th - Friday 18th November. We will also be taking part in Children In Need once again which is on Friday 18th November. Our theme for this year is 'spots'.



Year 6 Transition to Secondary School – Application Process

The deadline for secondary school applications is 31st October 2022. If you apply online by this date you will get an offer for a place on 1st March 2023 by email. For further information please contact the school or visit www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/admissions.

PTA News

Cake Friday - thank you so much to everyone for coming and a huge thank you to all the helpers, it was fab to see some Year 7 Hinchingsbrooke students back at the school. We raised just over **£588** and there really were some delicious cakes. Some unnamed tupperware boxes are on the window ledge in the Office area to be collected. What did people think of the 2.30pm start?

Bingo - please see the attached poster for information about our Bingo evening on Friday 11th November.

Bag2school - while off school for half term, if you get chance to have a clear-out, please keep the bags for our next charity collection on Wednesday 9th November.

Raffle - The PTA team are busy hunting down prizes for our online Christmas raffle - this is a time-consuming job, so if you can spare any time to help ask local and national businesses, please do get in touch.

Happy half term holidays, from the PTA Team.

A reminder that no smoking/no vaping is allowed on the school site. Thank you for your co-operation with this.



Changes to Term Dates Summer Term 2023

Please note that we are proposing a change to the dates at the start of the Summer Term 2023. We are having to make this change as the consultant working with staff on the development of writing is only available on **Friday 28th April** so this will now mean that the school is likely to be closed and it will be a staff training day with the children returning to school on Monday 17th April for the start of term. This will be confirmed after half term.

Proposed Revised Summer Term 2023

<i>Summer term begins</i>	<i>Monday 17th April</i>	<i>children return</i>
<i>Professional Day</i>	<i>Friday 28th April</i>	<i>staff training</i>
<i>Summer half term</i>	<i>29th May – 2nd June</i>	
<i>Professional Day</i>	<i>Monday 5th June</i>	<i>staff training</i>
<i>Summer term ends</i>	<i>Wednesday 19th July</i>	

What's On After Half Term:

Monday 31 st Oct	Children return
Tuesday 1 st Nov	Girls' football tournament Amy's Acro until 4.20pm
Wednesday 2 nd Nov	Open Afternoon: end of school – 4.30pm
Thursday 3 rd Nov	Choir 8.20am
Friday 4 th Nov	HSSP Y5 & Y6 Hockey Club (at Hinchingsbrooke) 3.30 – 4.30

A purple poster for EIFA service. It features the Cambridge County Council logo at the top right. The text reads: "Half term support from EIFA service", "Coffee and Chat drop in sessions:", "Over October half term the team will be running virtual Coffee and Chat drop in sessions. Please pop by if you feel you need to speak to someone. There will also be the opportunity to speak to a member of the team 1:1 if this is needed, just let us know when you join", "Tuesday 25th October", "Thursday 27th October", "10am – 11am", "2pm – 3pm", "This is being held by Microsoft teams, to join please enter", "ID: 386 564 909 174", "Passcode: ntini9", and a QR code at the bottom.