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Newsletter

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Headteacher's notes

A warm welcome back to everyone for this new term and school year, especially to all those children and staff who have joined us for the first time. I hope that everyone was able to have a good summer break and is ready for everything that lies ahead. The children have all come back eager and looking very smart in their uniforms.

As always this is our regular Newsletter which is sent out every Friday. We have an exciting term to look forward to and there are some dates for your diary at the end of this letter which are also available on the school website. Class Letters will be sent home next week to let you know what your child is studying this term.

Some of you may have noticed some changes in the KS2 playground which took place over the summer. We were successful in securing a National Lottery Grant which has enabled us to surface the area under the canopy and provide a new path. Next week we will also be installing some outdoor gym equipment which is being funded through the PE Premium that all schools receive.

Meet the Teacher

We are inviting you to an early opportunity in the school year for you to meet your child's new teacher and hear about the work they will be doing, as well as the chance to ask questions. The session will be held on **Tuesday 17th September at 4.30pm**. The presentation will last between 20 and 30 minutes and will be made available on the website as well. Younger siblings are the responsibility of parents and should not be left unsupervised.

Our SENCO, Mrs Pettitt, is happy to be contacted via the school office.

Vacancies

At the end of September Miss Jack, who works in the Office, will be leaving the school to take up another post. We will miss her but thank her for all she has done whilst at the school. We are therefore currently advertising for a School Secretary and further details are available on the school website (under the Vacancies tab) or by asking at the office. We are also recruiting for a Resources Assistant to help with School finances and personnel. Details for this position are available in the same way.

Request for unwanted games, puzzles, construction or books for wet lunchtimes.

We are keen to give children more choice over indoor activities when it is a wet lunchtime and would be grateful for any donations of games, puzzles, construction toys or books that are in good condition. Please take any donations to the school office or leave them in the boxes in the main reception area by **Friday 13th September**. Thank you.

Communication

We value the strong partnership that we have with you as parents and carers and all the staff work hard to maintain good working relationships and treat everyone with courtesy and respect. There are, however, occasions when a parent may have concerns about their child's education or about something that has happened in school. It is important that any concerns are raised in an appropriate manner treating the school staff with the same courtesy and respect that they will give to you. We will soon be sending home a protocol which is to be used if concerns are raised.

Learning

Enjoying

Achieving

We are aware of a number of Facebook pages that have been set up by different year groups to help communication. These are independent of the school and should not be used to raise concerns or post images of children or inappropriate comments.

Music Clubs Information:

At Brampton we offer a range of free music clubs for KS2 children to take part in. Please use the SIMS Pay to sign up for choir and orchestra. Separate letters will be given out to children interested in joining the handchime group or string ensemble.

Choir: Children in Y3 - Y6	Thursdays 8:30 - 9:10am	Starting Thursday 19th September
Orchestra: Children in Y4 - Y6	Fridays 8:15am - 9am	Starting Friday 20th September
Handchime group: Children in Y3 - Y6	Wednesdays 12:30pm - 1pm	Starting Wednesday 18th September

Amy's Acro

Amy's Acro starts on **Tuesday 10th September** and runs until **Tuesday 3rd December**. Details for the club can be found on the rack outside the school office.

School Lunches (children in Key Stage 2)

School lunches cost £2.30 per day and must be paid for through SIMS Pay in advance. Please be aware that if lunch money debts exceed £15 we will not provide any further hot meals until the account has been settled.

PTA NEWS

Welcome back to a new school year, we hope you all had a good break.

So another school year and we have our AGM on the **26th September** at **7.30pm**.

We have vacancies within the team for Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. If you would like to get involved and would like some more information then please email bramptonpta@outlook.com.

Letters regarding nomination for roles will be in book bags so keep an eye out for these.

Also at the AGM we will be working out all the next events for the school year so come along and get involved as all help for these events is very appreciated.

AGM - 26th September at 7.30pm

PTA Team

What's On Next Week:

Monday 9 th	Reception children start part-time Art Club
Tuesday 10 th	Amy's Acro
Wednesday 11 th	
Thursday 12 th	
Friday 13 th	Class Letters sent home

There are several important reminders at the start of the new school year to help everyone.
Thank you for your co-operation.

School Uniform	At the start of the new school year we will once again be reinforcing our expectations regarding the wearing of school uniform, including appropriate shoes and PE kits. The only jewellery to be worn are watches and ear rings (studs) but these must be removed for PE. It is important that the children have PE kits in school.
Lost Property	We do not store lost property so please make sure that all belongings are named so that they can be returned to their owner. Items that do not have any name will only be kept for a very short period before being passed onto the PTA or disposed of.
The School Day	<p>The gates are not unlocked before 8.30am with the doors opening at 8.45am and closing at 8.55am. If a child arrives after this time they should come to the main office.</p> <p>Please do not use the 'short cut' access to the school through the main Reception door by the office.</p> <p>In the morning any urgent messages should be passed onto staff in the office rather than the teacher who will be looking after their class. A note or email can always be sent into school office (office@brampton.cambs.sch.uk) if needed. There is always a member of staff on duty at the doors for Reception and KS1 who can take any messages.</p>
Car Parks	The car parks are for members of staff and not to be used for dropping off or collecting children. Please do not walk or cycle through the car parks when dropping off/collecting children.
Parking	Please park with consideration for the children, other road users and local residents. Parking remains an issue but we need everyone to be patient and to be prepared to walk a little further. We encourage biking, scootering and walking to school. Bikes and scooters must not be ridden on the premises.
Dogs	Dogs must not be brought onto the premises unless prior permission has been sought.
Avoiding Nuts	We have a number of children in school with nut allergies. Please avoid sending nuts into school as a snack in their packed lunches.
Contact Details	Please remember to let the school know of any changes in contact details as soon as possible. They are updated on our system as soon as we receive them and it is important in case we have to contact you in an emergency.
Sickness/Diarrhoea	Children must be kept off school for 48 hours after the last episode of sickness or diarrhoea. We do enforce this policy in order to keep everyone as healthy as possible.
Water Bottles	The children should bring a named water bottle to school each day, containing still water only and not juice or flavoured water please.
Absence	Please contact the school office by either telephone (01480 375063) or email (pupilabsence@brampton.cambs.sch.uk) before 9.15am on each day of your child's absence.
Collecting children	Please can Reception and Key Stage 1 parents/carers stand back from the doors at the end of the day so that the teachers can see you more easily and ensure that the children are safe.

Dates

Please keep an eye on the dates each week in case of any changes.



Provisional Dates for Autumn Term			
September	13 th	Class Letters Home	
	17 th	Meet the Teacher	4.30pm
	23 rd	Reception in full time	
	26 th	Harvest Festival PTA AGM	7.30pm
	30 th	NSPCC Assemblies (whole school) NSPCC Workshops for Year 5 and Year 6	
October	4 th	Mexicolore Workshop for Year 5 and Year 6	
	7 th	Governing Body meeting	
	16 th	Parent Consultations	3.30 – 7.00pm
	17 th	Parent Consultations	3.30 – 6.00pm
	21 st – 25 th	Half Term	
November	w/b 4 th	Parents 'Come to Learn' week	
	6 th	Upper Elm Class Assembly	9.15am
	w/b 11 th	Parents 'Come to Learn' week	
	13 th	Open Morning for new Reception parents	9.30am and 11.00am
	20 th	Upper Maple Class Assembly	9.15am
	27 th	Middle Elm Class Assembly	9.15am
December	3 rd	Reception Production (to be confirmed)	1.45pm
	4 th	Reception Production (to be confirmed)	1.45pm
	6 th	Non Uniform Day Christmas Dinner PTA Christmas Fair	
	10 th	KS1 Production (to be confirmed)	2.00pm
	11 th	KS1 Production (to be confirmed)	10.00am
	12 th	KS1 Production (to be confirmed)	2.00pm
	13 th	Brambles Assembly	11.00am
	16 th	YR visit to Chapel Key Stage 1 Carol Service Key Stage 2 Carol Service	
	18 th	Last day of term	