

Weekly News

3rd December 2020



Dates and key information

School Meals

Week Beginning 7th December - **BLUE**
Juniors ~ £2.30 Infants ~ free

December

- Fri 4th - Beaford Arts Project
- Mon 7th - PE Infants & Juniors
- Weds 9th - Infants Forest School Group 2
- Weds 9th - Junior Forest School Group 2
- Weds 16th - Christmas Dinner
- Fri 18th - Infants & Juniors Christmas Parties
- Fri 18th - **LAST DAY OF TERM**

Dear Parents,

We are nearing the end of the Autumn term and the children, this week, have been working extremely hard on their end of term assessments. These assessments assist the teachers in making judgements about the children's learning and also give the children an experience of more formal testing procedures. The children have enjoyed their learning this term and made the most of every opportunity. We are all very proud of each and every one of them.



We have also been busy preparing for the Christmas plays which we plan to record to send out to parents and members of our community. **If you have not returned the consent form then please do so as soon as possible and no later than Monday 7th December - thank you.** The children, as always, have been fully committed to doing the best they can with learning their lines,

songs and performing. They are always a joy to work with on projects like this as they really enjoy what they are doing and are fully dedicated to it. I am really looking forward to watching the recording.

Best Wishes

Miss Corrinne Smith

CHRISTMAS DINNER

On Wednesday 16th December the children will be having their Christmas Dinner, please ensure you return the slip that was sent out this week.

The children can come to school wearing a Christmas jumper.



CURRICULUM NEWS

The infant children have been reflecting on what contributes to a healthy lifestyle this week. They have discussed how a balanced diet, exercise, personal hygiene, sleep, safety and sharing their feelings are vital for their well-being. The older children have impressed me with their positive attitude to completing Autumn summative tests, demonstrating their progress in spelling, grammar, reading and maths.



The junior children have been investigating flooding over the past two weeks and are currently drafting a letter to send to the Government about the impact of urbanisation on flooding. During science lessons, the children have carried out a survey to identify the most and least common landscapes found in people's gardens. They then used this to develop an enquiry question 'What natural materials are best for absorbing water and preventing flooding?' The children worked in groups to test different materials around the school including mud, vegetation, moss, stones and sticks to find out which were permeable and which were impermeable therefore identifying which materials we should encourage using more around us. Using their results, they have created a bar graph to conclude their study and are now writing a letter to Boris Johnson encouraging him to avoid using impermeable materials which are used when building houses.



CHRISTMAS PARTIES

On Friday 18th December, the PTFA are organising a Christmas Party. The Infants and Juniors will have separate parties in their own bubbles, there will be food and games, the children can wear party clothes or something Christmas themed!!

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Your child can still give and receive Christmas cards at school. There will be a post box in each classroom where your child can post their cards on a Monday or Tuesday of each week. We will then hand them out each Friday.



BREAKFAST CLUB

Runs daily when required from 7.45am with Mrs Ward and is available to Brumble Bee children as well as school children at the cost of £4.00 per child. Please pre-book sessions through the school office by email to admin@brayford.devon.sch.uk or alternatively phone 01598 710345.



PLEASE NOTE if your child is not booked in to Breakfast Club they will be unable to stay.



Well Done
for receiving a certificate of achievement this week



Certificate of Achievement

Juniors

James C - For rising to all the challenges he is presented with and for working well in any team.

Beau - For supporting children in group tasks.

Infants

Casey - For getting his first spelling list.



Merit Achievers

20 Merit achievers

- ★ Beau
- ★ Lilly May

House Points totals

Middlecott=160 Molland=160
Longwood=140 Kedworthy=180



We would like to wish a Happy Birthday to:-
Aaron - 8th December
Luca - 9th December



TEAM Vacancy

Brayford Academy

KS1 Maternity Cover Classroom Teacher

Dates: Apply by 9th December 2020 - Job starts 22 February 2021

Contract type: Full Time

Contract term: Fixed term

We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic colleague commencing on 22nd February 2021. The contract will be for a fixed term to cover Maternity leave.

Closing date: 9th December 2020

Interview date: 15th December 2020

Please visit www.teamacademytrust.com for further details about our school and to download an application pack.

Please email your completed application form and supporting documents to vacancies@team-mat.org.uk or post to Pilton Bluecoat Academy marked for the attention of Mr I Thomas.

Required Immediately

BRAYFORD ACADEMY

CASUAL MEALTIME ASSISTANT

Required: Immediately

Hours per week: maximum of 5 hours per week (term time only)

Starting Salary: £9.25 per hour (Scale A)

Would you like to join our school community as part of our team? We require additional temporary help to keep our children safe and occupied during their lunchbreak. The work will include supervising the children eating their lunch as well as outside playing in the playground.

Hours will be 12.15 – 1.15 pm each day. We welcome interest from applicants who may not be able to work every day as well as those who can.

If you are interested, please contact the school Administrator 01598 710345 for more information.

Application forms can be downloaded from our TEAM website: www.teamacademytrust.com and submitted to vacancies@team-mat.org.uk or handed in to the Brayford Academy Office.

Brayford Academy Term Dates 2020 - 2021

Autumn Term

First day back	Monday 7 th September 2020
Half term	Monday 26 th October – Friday 30 th October 2020
Last day of term	Friday 18 th December 2020

Spring Term

First day back	Tuesday 5 th January 2021
Half term	Monday 15 th February – Friday 19 th February 2021
Last day of term	Thursday 1 st April 2021

Summer Term

First day back	Tuesday 20 th April 2021
Bank Holiday	Monday 3 rd May 2021
Half term	Monday 31 st May – Friday 4 th June 2021
Last day of term	Thursday 22 nd July 2021