

Brough Primary

School

Newsletter

April 2022

It seems hard to believe that the end of the Spring term is almost here and that the Summer term, with all its planned events, is nearly upon us.

FOBS have been busily planning a number of events over the coming month. Dates and brief details are included below but there will be more information to come over the coming days/weeks.

We have our decorated egg competition this week, judging and the prize giving will take place before the end of the week. I can't wait to see the designs the children come up with. There will be a chocolate tombola, organised by FOBS, after school on Wednesday 6th April – we look forward to seeing you there.

The FOBS quiz night is back, with this planned to take place on Friday 6th May.

There is also a FOBS family bingo night planned for Friday 13th May.

Then we have the FOBS film night, open to all children, on Thursday 26th May straight after school.

More details about these events will be coming out soon via Parentmail, the website and the FOBS Facebook page.

If any parents are interested in joining FOBS they are very welcome. Please get in touch with the school for further information and we will put you in touch with the FOBS team.

Covid-19

As you will all be aware, restrictions due to Covid-19 have been significantly reduced over the past months and that free testing has ended for most, and is only available for specific groups.

Under the government's 'living with Covid' plan the following guidance is now in place:

- adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature
- children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend
- adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be 3 days

We do strongly advise you to follow this advice and keep your child/children at home if they are unwell.

I would like to thank you for your support with all aspects of our Covid-19 contingency measures over the last two years. At all times, these have aimed to protect the children, staff and parents and minimise the spread of Covid-19 within the school.

I would also like to thank all the staff in our school who have been so incredibly hard working, flexible and supportive when changes have needed to be made and have done everything in their power to ensure the health, safety and wellbeing of the children in their care.

We continue to ask that you let us know if your child/children test positive and/or if there are

positive cases in the household. This allows us to monitor any symptoms within a class carefully to help minimise any potential spread.

Please report these via telephone (between 8:30am and 4:30pm) or via email if outside of these hours.

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School Website

I am delighted to tell you that our new school website launched over the last couple of days. This will become our 'go to' place for communication with parents as well as the place to find school policies, information and links to Twitter etc.

The website address is the same as before but hopefully you will find this one much easier to navigate.

Over the coming weeks, we will be adding to it frequently, so please make sure you check regularly.

<https://broughprimaryschool.co.uk/>

Mixed Age Classes: Questionnaire for parents

Thank you to those parents who completed the recent questionnaire regarding our mixed age provision. This has now closed.

The results of this were overwhelmingly positive and I am delighted that the vast majority of parents feel that their child/children have settled into their class well this year.

There were, as you might expect, some questions raised about next year and how the classes will look. As soon as we are in a position to share this information with parents we will.

We do intend to do more transition this year than we have been able to do over the past couple of years which will hopefully help to address any worries or concerns the children have.

Fundraising to support the Ukraine

The children in our school make us so proud every day, but the recent request by some Y5 pupils to do 'something' to support families in Ukraine made us especially proud.

They organised and ran a bake sale, with a little support from Mr Miller and Mrs Wilson, and raised £253.95.

In addition to this, the non-uniform day, where the children could wear yellow and blue to represent the colours of the Ukrainian flag, organised by the school council raised £281.85.

In total, we are sending £535.80 to charities supporting Ukrainian families.

Children's Mental Health Week

As you know, the children could 'Dress to Express' earlier this term, in support of Children's Mental Health Week. This is something that we mark each year in school, but this year, with the continued impact of the pandemic, it seemed more pertinent than ever.

We have raised £266.45 for charities supporting mental health awareness in children and young people.

Comic Relief

Again, thank you for your support with this. We raised £280.05 dressing up as Superheroes. This money has been sent to Comic Relief to support their national appeal.

Tesco Community Grants Scheme

We have been accepted as part of the above, meaning that our project 'To encourage a 'love to read ethos' for all children' will be available for customers to vote on using the blue tokens that are given with each transaction.

Stores which will vote on our project are listed below.

Hull Superstore
Kirk Ella Express
[490 Anlaby Rd](#) Hull Express
Bricknell Av Hull Express
Hull Monks Way Express
Cottingham Express
Boothferry Hessle Express

To check the location of any of the above stores, please go to the Tesco website here:

<http://www.tesco.com/store-locator/uk>

So, if you are visiting any of these stores, or have friends or family who use them, please ask them to vote for us using their blue tokens. If we 'win' then it will be a significant financial input into our new library which is being installed over the Easter holidays.

Parents' Forum

We recently held the second meeting of our Parents' Forum and would like to encourage more parents to attend. This is a group of parents who meet with either Mrs Shepherdson or other senior leaders in school to discuss issues or questions that parents have. The meetings have been very positive and have supported us, as a school, to answer questions and put things into place in school to ensure parents are kept fully up to date.

The next meeting is on Tuesday 3rd May at 6pm in school. If you would like to attend, please just pop along to the main school entrance and someone will greet you there.

Maths: Information Evenings for Parents

We are arranging two maths information evenings for the Summer term which will look at how we teach calculations in school.

The first of these sessions will look at addition and subtraction, the second will look at multiplication and division.

These will be practical, hands on sessions which will showcase to parents how we develop the skills and knowledge of calculations from EYFS through to Y6 as well as look at strategies for you to support your child/children at home and useful resources that are available.

Further information will come out to parents after the Easter break.

The Summer Soiree

We are delighted that we will be able to hold this again this year – we know how much the children and parents enjoy this event.

The planned date for this is the evening of Friday 1st July – more details to follow.

Sports Days

Again, we are delighted that these will be able to go ahead this year.

Provisional dates for these are as follows:

EYFS, Y1 and Y2:	Tuesday 28 th June with a reserve date of Wednesday 6 th July.
Y3-Y6:	Wednesday 29 th June with a reserve date of Thursday 7 th July.

Exhibition of Work Evening

This will also be going ahead this year and is planned for Tuesday 12th July, after school. This is the week after your child's report will come home to you and will allow you time to come into school, have a look around and have a chat with your child's current teacher, as well as meet their teacher for next year.

Thank you for your continued support, please do get in touch if you have any questions or would like to raise anything with us.

H Shepherdson

Headteacher

Dates for your diary

April	<p>Wednesday 6th: FOBS chocolate tombola</p> <p>Thursday 7th: Break up for Easter</p> <p>Monday 25th: Back to school</p> <p>Tuesday 26th – Friday 29th: Y5 residential visit to Cloughton</p>
May	<p>Throughout May: KS1 assessments</p> <p>6th: FOBS Quiz Night</p> <p>w/c 9th: KS2 SATs testing</p> <p>13th: FOBS Family Bingo Night</p> <p>26th: FOBS Film Night</p> <p>27th: Break up for half term</p>
June	<p>Monday 6th: Back to school</p> <p>6th- 10th: Y1 Phonics Screening Check</p> <p>6th – 24th: Y4 multiplication tables check (to be taken within the three weeks)</p> <p>9th: Y3/4 sleepover at The Deep</p> <p>Friday 17th – Sunday 19th: Y6 residential visit to High Adventure</p> <p>28th: EYFS, Y1 & Y2 sports day</p> <p>29th: Y3-Y6 sports day</p>
July	<p>w/c 4th: Reports out to parents</p> <p>6th: Reserve date for EYFS, Y1 and Y2 sports day</p> <p>7th: Reserve date for Y3-Y6 sports day.</p> <p>12th: Exhibition of Work evening</p> <p>Friday 22nd: Break up for the Summer</p>