# **Brough Primary**

# **School**

### Newsletter

May 2022

Well this year certainly seems to be flying by, I can't quite believe it is May already.

As many of you will know, May/June is when the majority of 'testing' takes place in school. It is SATs week for the Y6 pupils this week and Y2 pupils across the country can undertake their SATs at any point during May – a letter has already gone out to Y2 parents with the details of when our pupils will be having their tests. Information for Y1 parents about the Phonics Screening Check (after half term) and for Y4 parents about the Multiplication Tables Check (June) will be coming out this week.

As always, we do everything we can to minimise the worry about testing for the children, however we do know that many children do still worry about the tests. Please do reassure them that there is nothing to worry about and that we are incredibly proud of them all, trying their best is all we expect from them.

#### Cloughton

Year 5 had an absolutely brilliant time on their residential visit to Cloughton a couple of weeks ago. We had a very busy few days away and I think the vast majority of the children were absolutely exhausted when we got back on the Friday afternoon.

The children were absolutely brilliant throughout the visit and we were so proud of them all. They were polite, well-mannered and took advantage of the opportunities they were given to learn over the course of the visit. We had many positive comments from the staff at Cober Hill as well as from members of the public in Whitby.

We couldn't be prouder of them all.

I would also like to thank the staff for giving up their time to be on the visit. Residential visits are wonderful things to run but they rely entirely on staff being able to attend. We are very lucky to have so many staff who are willing to give up their own time to make these visits possible. Thank you.

We are very much looking forward to the sleepover at The Deep with Y3/4 and the Y6 residential visit to High Adventure which are both taking place next month.

#### **FOBS**

Thank you to those who attended the Quiz Night last Friday – this was a huge success and was enjoyed by all.

There is a FOBS family bingo night planned for Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May, then we have the FOBS film night, open to all children, on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> 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.

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.

<u>brough.primary@eastriding.gov.uk</u> or hshepherdson@broughprimaryschool.co.uk

#### **School Website**

I am delighted to tell you that our new school website launched last month. 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.

There is a huge amount of information on our website, including curriculum information outlining what your child(ren) will be learning about this term. There are also some fabulous links to materials to support with staying safe online.

https://broughprimaryschool.co.uk/

#### **School Library**

As you know, we had our school library redeveloped over the Easter break and this is looking fabulous. We are still sorting all the books onto the shelves but we have had so many lovely comments from the children and they can't wait to start using it.

If any of you have any novels/books that you no longer need, please do let me know as we are always trying to replenish the stock that we have. At this time, we don't need any more picture books, but any story/chapter books would be very welcome.

#### **Next Year**

I am aware that many of you are starting to think about what will be happening next year, how the classes will look and who your child/children's teacher(s) will be.

Please be assured that this is all being worked on 'behind the scenes' and that we have many plans in place to ensure a smooth transition between classes. There will be plenty of opportunities built in to ensure your child meets their new teacher many times before the end of the year and is able to spend time in their new classroom.

As soon as we are able to share this information with parents and the children, we will do.

#### **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.

#### **Sunflowers**

Every child in the school is being given a sunflower seed and plant pot to plant in school. These have been donated to the school by a family member of one of the children in support of the ongoing situation in Ukraine. As I am sure you will know, the sunflower is the national flower of Ukraine. Once these are ready, they will be planted outside to show our continued support.

### Elloughton Cum Brough Sunflower Growing Competition.

This is open to all children in Elloughton and Brough between the age of 2 and 8 (although they have said that older children can join in for fun if they wish to).

Please see the information below and the poster attached to the end of the newsletter.

We have FREE seeds available at the Town Council Office (60, Welton Road, Brough – entrance adjacent to i-Bar) and there are some helpful hints and a height recording chart, they're available on our website too along with the basic rules.

https://www.elloughtonbrough-tc.gov.uk/sunflower-competition

Please note that these are two separate sunflower growing opportunities for the children, one in school and one out of school.

#### The Platinum Jubilee

As you will know, the Queen's Platinum Jubilee is celebrated this year.

In school we will be having a few different events to celebrate this.

On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May there is a special 'Jubilee' lunch menu.

On Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May we will be having a 'Jubilee Day' with lots of in-school activities taking place as well as an 'Afternoon Tea' which will take place with all the children in the school.

The children will be able to come to school dressed in red, white and blue on the 26<sup>th</sup> May (but please no football shirts/kits). They will also require a plate of food (similar to that provided for Christmas parties) on this day.

We are also running a 'Portrait Competition' for the children to enter. For this they should produce a portrait of The Queen – this could be using paints, pencils, collage etc. These should be brought into school on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May (£1 entry fee). These will be displayed in the school and there will be winners from EYFS, Y1/2, Y3/4 and Y5/6 as well as an overall winner.

#### Maths: Information Evenings for Parents

Following the information on the previous newsletter, please note the dates for these are as follows:

Addition and Subtraction: Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May (6-7pm).

Multiplication and Division: Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June (6-7pm).

#### 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.

#### **Exhibition of Work Evening**

This will also be going ahead this year and is planned for Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> 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**

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May	Throughout May: KS1 assessments 6 <sup>th</sup> : FOBS Quiz Night w/c 9 <sup>th</sup> : KS2 SATs testing 13 <sup>th</sup> : FOBS Family Bingo Night 19 <sup>th</sup> : Jubilee Lunch 23 <sup>rd</sup> : Portrait competition – portraits into school 25 <sup>th</sup> : Maths meeting for parents (addition and subtraction) 6-7pm 26 <sup>th</sup> : Jubilee Day in school (wear red, white and blue) 26 <sup>th</sup> : FOBS Film Night 27 <sup>th</sup> : Break up for half term
June	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> : Back to school 6 <sup>th</sup> - 10 <sup>th</sup> : Y1 Phonics Screening Check 6 <sup>th</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup> : Y4 multiplication tables check (to be taken within the three weeks) 7 <sup>th</sup> : Meeting for parents of new reception pupils 6pm 8 <sup>th</sup> : FOBS meeting (4pm) 8 <sup>th</sup> : Maths meeting for parents (multiplication and division) 6-7pm 9 <sup>th</sup> : Y3/4 sleepover at The Deep Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> : Y6 residential visit to High Adventure 28 <sup>th</sup> : EYFS, Y1 & Y2 sports day 29 <sup>th</sup> : Y3-Y6 sports day
July	1 <sup>st</sup> : Summer Soiree (evening) w/c 4 <sup>th</sup> : Reports out to parents 6 <sup>th</sup> : Reserve date for EYFS, Y1 and Y2 sports day 7 <sup>th</sup> : Reserve date for Y3-Y6 sports day. 12 <sup>th</sup> : Exhibition of Work evening Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> : Break up for the Summer