



Brixworth C.E.V.C. Primary School

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Welcome back after the Summer Holiday. We hope you managed to enjoy the sunshine somewhere in the world and that the children have returned to school well rested and ready to continue their learning with us.

The Year 1 and 2 teachers are: Mrs Stiles, Mrs Hall, Mrs Sparkes, Mrs Marsh, Mrs Varrier, Mrs Devereux and Mrs Hancock. The Year 3 and 4 teachers are: Mr Langford, Miss Duckworth, Mrs Burrage, Mrs Barber and Mrs Pirie. The Year 5 and 6 teachers are: Mrs Reynolds, Miss Davies, Miss Stockbridge, Miss de Rossi, Mr Deacon and Mrs Worster. Our priorities are the safety, welfare and education of your children, so please, if you have any concerns, or indeed good news to share, speak to your child's class teacher.

We are very grateful for all the help and support you give your child in terms of learning at home and also the interest you show in their learning at school. Below is a brief outline of the main focus for each year group up to Christmas:

Year 1 and 2- The Great Fire of London

Year 3 and 4- Local area study/Comparission of countries

Year 5 and 6- World War Two.

Within these topics learning will be linked across the subjects so if you have any resources, artefacts, books etc which may be valuable to our pupils learning please see your child's class teacher. Further to this, educational trips are another huge enhancement to children's learning but we are aware too of the growing financial pressures on families. Since these trips depend on financial support from parents we would like to make you aware of these and costings in advance, with **approximate** costings, to enable you to plan ahead.

Year 1 and 2- Warwick Castle	Spring Term 2018	£15 per child
Year 3 and 4- Burghley House	19 th October 2017	£11 per child
Year 3 and 4 - Saxon Visitor	Spring Term 2018	£3 per child
Year 6- Coventry Transport Museum	27 th September 2017	£10 per child
Year 5- Coventry Transport Museum	28 th September 2017	£10 per child
Y6 Residential	11-15 th June 2018	£300 per child
Y5 trip linked to themed week	11-15 th June 2018	£10 -15

Home learning across all year groups will be handed out on Thursday and due in on Tuesday. Your child should be encouraged to complete their home learning as soon as possible after it has been set, and for our older children to hand it in without being reminded. As with previous years a home learning club will run on Mondays for KS2 children between 3:30-4:30pm.

Children's home school message books (elephant books) are a valuable source of communication between home and school. The books **should be brought into school daily** and children are encouraged to make a



brief entry each time they read, noting the book, genre of text, and pages read- for KS1 children we ask parents to do this following having read with your child . It would be helpful if you directed your child to hand this book to the teacher in the morning if you have written a message to us.

All children must have a **PE kit in school every day** (preferably in school colours) to allow for changes in timetabling. This should include a pair of shorts (not below knee) and a T-shirt for indoor PE; tracksuit trousers (no leggings), a warm top and trainers for outdoor PE. Football tops are **not** acceptable for PE lessons. For health and safety reasons any child with long hair needs to have this tied back to ensure their vision and safety is not impaired and ear rings are either removed or taped over . Please note that smart black shoes are to be worn with school uniform; not trainers and hoodies are not to be worn as part of everyday uniform. It is also important that your child has a named water bottle in school everyday.

Class Teacher	Indoor PE	Outdoor PE	Class Teacher	Indoor PE	Outdoor PE	Class Teacher	Indoor PE	Outdoor PE
<i>Mrs Sparkes</i>	Monday	Wednesday	<i>Mr Langford</i>	Tuesday	Thursday	<i>Mrs Reynolds/Miss Davies</i>	Friday	Monday
<i>Mrs Hall</i>	Tuesday	Wednesday	<i>Miss Duckworth</i>	Monday	Thursday	<i>Miss Stockbridge</i>	Friday	Monday
<i>Mrs Stiles</i>	Tuesday	Thursday	<i>Mrs Burrage</i>	Thursday	Friday	<i>Miss de Rossi</i>	Wednesday	Friday
<i>Mrs Marsh</i>	Monday	Thursday	<i>Mrs Barber</i>	Thursday	Monday	<i>Mrs Worster</i>	Wednesday	Friday
<i>Mrs Varrier</i>	Friday	Thursday	<i>Mrs Pirie</i>	Friday	Wednesday	<i>Mr Deacon</i>	Monday	Tuesday
<i>Mrs Devereux</i>	Wednesday	Thursday						

Finally, a recap of the rewards and sanctions in place across the school.

- Points towards a Teachers Award awarded for consistent good effort and excellent outcomes in learning
- 3 Teacher Awards leads to a head teacher award and 3 of these results in a merit.
- Pupil points awarded for all aspects of good behaviour and reflecting the values of the school (excellent, respect, inclusion and aspiration) - the pupil with the most points at the end of the week will take home a small prize.
- Teacher chosen Star of the Week who will receive a small trophy which is to be returned to school each week and a small prize.
- Golden Time every week for all pupils - activities will vary and pupils will lose time if behaviour falls below expectations. Similarly, playtime may be lost.
- Each half term, children in KS2 will have one life for both their home learning and spelling book to be handed in a day late.

Please do not hesitate to come into school and arrange to see your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns, or use the home school message book. We will endeavour to deal with any concerns as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Heather Reynolds
Deputy Head Teacher

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