



Brampton Village Primary School

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# Newsletter

Autumn Term

Letter 2

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## Headteacher's notes...

The first full week has gone very quickly with the children settled and working well. We have already had a number of visitors around the school and they have commented on the good behaviour and manners of the children which is always pleasing to hear. Class Letters are being sent home today to let you know what your child is studying this term and we have our 'Meet the Teacher' sessions next week which I hope you will be able to make. A diary for the term was sent home last week. Please note that one or two dates have changed and an amended copy is included with this Newsletter.

We are often asked for support and advice on a variety of topics. One website that is a good source of information to help with mental health and wellbeing for children, young people and adults is called 'Keep Your Head': <https://www.keep-your-head.com/cyp>.

Cambridgeshire & Peterborough C&YP Mental Health

**KeepYourHead**

## 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 to hear about the work they will be doing. The sessions will be held on **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September at 3.30pm and 5.30pm**. Each presentation will last between 20 and 30 minutes and will be made available on the website for those unable to make these sessions. 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.

## School Lunches

The children certainly seem to be enjoying lunchtimes more now that we have our new caterers Aspens in school. The feedback from the children has been very positive about the quality of the food. Don't forget that the menu is available from the school website.



We are aware that there have been some children who have not always got their first choice but once we have been through the menu cycle it will improve. Routines have changed to accommodate the way that the children now line up and choose their lunch and this is being kept under review. An additional member of staff has been recruited in the kitchen and there has been considerable investment on new furniture and equipment as well. We are working with the caterers to make the lunchtime experience as positive as possible.

## Vacancies

We are sorry to be losing Mrs Olah who is our Senior Midday Supervisor. If you are interested in applying for this post which is available from the start of October and would like further details please ask at the office.

## Photographs

Individual and in-school sibling photographs will be happening on **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September**. If you wish to have a photograph taken with siblings not of school age, please come to the school office as this will take place from **8.30am**. Proof cards will come home with the children by the end of the week.

## Parent Drop In

Our Family Worker, Zoe Hope, is holding a 'drop in' for parents on **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October** from **9.00am -10.00am**. A poster has been sent home.



## Educational Visits

We have a number of trips planned for this term but so far the amount of voluntary contributions are putting them in doubt. We are aware of issues with the online payment system that is affecting many schools but please take note of the deadlines for payment as we have to make decisions early about their affordability. We incur costs if we have to cancel after certain dates.

## Year 6 Secondary School Applications

Earlier this week, all our Year 6 pupils took home a letter giving instructions on how to apply for their Secondary School place. Please apply as soon as possible because the closing date is **31<sup>st</sup> October 2018**. The best way to apply is online but if you have any queries, please come to the school office.

## Harvest Festival

On **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September**, we have our Harvest Festival which will be led by Rev Jason. Last year we supported the work of the Godmanchester Foodbank and will be doing so once again this year. We have included their list of suggested items to donate – thank you in advance for all your contributions.

- 1 breakfast cereal
- 2 uht milk
- 3 tea bags / coffee
- 4 fruit squash / fruit juice
- 5 tinned cooked meat
- 6 tinned vegetables
- 7 tinned tuna / oily fish
- 8 pasta & pasta sauce
- 9 rice
- 10 tinned fruit & custard
- 11 biscuits/cream crackers
- 12 jam
- 13 rice pudding
- 14 pot noodles
- 15 tinned or packet soup

## Uniform

Please can we remind all parents that jewellery or make-up may not be worn in school. The only exceptions are watches and studs for pierced ears. Pierced earrings must be removed for PE.

We would advise that children leave any earrings at home on their PE day. Any child who cannot remove their studs will be given another task to complete during the lesson. Whenever possible children should be able to remove their own jewellery before a PE lesson.

## Music Clubs

Orchestra will start **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2018**.

## Amy's Acro

Amy's Acro runs until **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December**. Details for the club can be found on the school website or on the rack outside the school office.

## PTA NEWS

AGM - This will be take place on **25<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm**. If you are interested in getting involved with the PTA do not hesitate to contact us on [bramptonpta@outlook.com](mailto:bramptonpta@outlook.com)

PTA VACANCIES - For this term we have the following vacancies within the PTA team: Chair and Secretary. If you would like to know more or are interested in applying then details are on the school website. Or you can come to speak to us directly and we can give you details.

GDPR - Following the introduction of the General Data Protection Regulation within the school, as part of the PTA your email is on a mailing list. We are planning to clear this and now ask if you wish to receive information from PTA, such as minutes, agendas and notifications of help that is needed for events then please send your email to [bramptonpta@outlook.com](mailto:bramptonpta@outlook.com).

If you are able to help or have any comments or feedback or would like further information about the PTA please contact [BramptonPTA@outlook.com](mailto:BramptonPTA@outlook.com)

FUTURE EVENTS - These are to be arranged once the AGM has taken place and the committee confirm dates. For those of you who are new to Brampton Village Primary School the PTA raises funds for the school to help with the cost of items the school may need. We are always looking for help to run events smoothly and would appreciate any time that you can give even if it is only for half an hour.

PTA Team

## What's On Next week:

Monday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Reception in full time Art Club Yr 1-4 Football Club
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Amy's Acro Meet the Teacher 3.30pm and 5.30pm
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Individual and sibling photographs
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Choir Drama Club
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Orchestra Gym Club



## Dates

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

Dates for Autumn Term			
September	14 <sup>th</sup>	Class Letters Home	
	17 <sup>th</sup>	Reception in full time	
	18 <sup>th</sup>	Meet the Teacher	3.30pm and 5.30pm
	19 <sup>th</sup>	School photos	
	27 <sup>th</sup>	Harvest Festival	
October	8 <sup>th</sup>	Resources Committee	
	9 <sup>th</sup>	Y5/Y6 to Stibbington	
	10 <sup>th</sup>	Y5/Y6 to Stibbington	
	11 <sup>th</sup>	Learning and Inclusion Committee Governing Body meeting	
	17 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Consultations	3.30 – 7.00pm
	18 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Consultations	3.30 – 6.00pm
November	1 <sup>st</sup>	Y1/Y2 visit to Warwick Castle	
	w/b 5 <sup>th</sup>	Parents 'Come to Learn' week	
	7 <sup>th</sup>	6B Class Assembly	9.15am
	8 <sup>th</sup>	Y3/Y4 visit to West Stow	
	9 <sup>th</sup>	Y3/Y4 visit to West Stow	
	w/b 12 <sup>th</sup>	Parents 'Come to Learn' week	
	14 <sup>th</sup>	Open Morning for new Reception parents	
	16 <sup>th</sup>	Y3/Y4 Bikeability	
	21 <sup>st</sup>	5M Class Assembly	9.15am
	28 <sup>th</sup>	6W Class Assembly	9.15am
29 <sup>th</sup>	Governing Body meeting		
December	4 <sup>th</sup>	YR Production	2.00pm
	6 <sup>th</sup>	YR Production	2.00pm
	7 <sup>th</sup>	Non Uniform Day Christmas Dinner PTA Christmas Fair	
	11 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Production	2.00pm
	12 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Production	10.00am
	13 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Production	2.00pm
	14 <sup>th</sup>	Brambles Assembly	11.00am
	17 <sup>th</sup>	YR visit to Chapel Key Stage 1 Carol Service Key Stage 2 Carol Service	
19 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of term		