

Brisley C of E Primary Academy Newsletter

July 2021

*Enabling Children to
Flourish through the Field of Life*

We are nearing the end of a busy Summer term. This will be our last newsletter before we break up on Wednesday 21st July and when we will say goodbye to our current Year 6. We would like to wish them all well for their transfer to High School.

Bye-bye year 6

Barn owls will be taking part in a number of exciting activities next week: a trip to Pensthorpe, filming an end of term performance to be emailed home, extra sports activities on the final Wednesday and more.

End of year reports

End of year reports have been emailed to all parents today.

Named bag on Monday

On Monday 19th July please can all children bring a named cloth bag or plastic bag into school to take all their books and belongings home in.

Reading books

Please could all reading books be returned to school by Monday.

Tawny Owls Messy Play Day and Teddy Bears' Picnic with new intake cancelled

Two families in Tawny Owls are isolating having had close contact with people who need to get tested. It's wise to cancel the events involving other bubbles coming to our school.

School Council

Our very active school council had their final meeting for this term on 9th July. Mr Kerkham thanked the children for all their efforts and being a great school council. The agenda included: Football competitions in the Autumn Term with Rudham and Weasenham, litter pickers, new book suggestions from the children (which have now been bought from the 'Book Bugs and Dragon Tales' bookshop in Norwich) and suggestions for improvements to our outside area next year.

Welcomes and farewells

Farewell to Mr Wild and adios to Mr Reeks who have made our school a fun and vibrant place to be every day and who move on to new and exciting pastures (one in a High School and the other in London). You will be greatly missed.

Welcome to Mrs Kemp and Mr Enters who join as teaching staff in September. Mrs Kemp is joining our Tawny Owls teaching team on Thursdays and Fridays, whilst Mr Enters will lead the Barn Owls team. Although they have already spent time over four days in school with us, we are looking forward to getting to know them better very soon.

Animal Handling Sessions Tuesday 13th July

Thanks to the Friends of Brisley who arranged a treat for all the classes this week. Bert brought his Amazing Animals in for the children to handle and learn about. Brave children had the opportunity to hold a chinchilla, a python and Boysy the bearded dragon. Bert's tarantula was admired from a safer distance! Bert was also amazing.



Gates in September

In September, gates will continue to be opened from 8:45 for 5 minutes. Tawny Owls will continue to enter through their gate in the morning so you can have a quick word with the class teacher if needed, but the whole of key stage 2 (Snowy and Barn Owls) can be sent into school through the other (left hand) side gate in the morning. The children will continue to come straight into class for focussed 'early work'.

At the end of the day, from 3:15, all the children can be collected from the main playground. For new parents, this can be accessed through the left-hand-side gate.

Children enjoy using the large construction toys on the playground daily and are currently able to leave their constructions to grow for the week without tidying away. With this in mind, please could you make sure your little ones stay away from the large constructions as you come onto the playground.

Swimming

We aim to start swimming lessons again next term. Snowy Owls will go first. More news to follow about this, but we will go to the pool in Dereham now so that the whole class can swim together.

Collections

We are still continuing to collect empty used Inkjet cartridges, crisp packets for Cat Protection at Longham and football kits, football boots, shin pads, ruck sacks and stationary for Kitz4kidz, sending these items to schools in Nigeria, Kenya and Ghana.

Collection boxes are in the reception area.

WISHING YOU ALL A HAPPY AND ENJOYABLE SUMMER BREAK

DIARY DATES

- Monday 19th July** - **Tawny Owls - Messy Day - CANCELLED**
All children to bring a named bag into school
- Tuesday 20th July** - **Barn Owls trip to Pensthorpe**
- Wednesday 21st July** - **School close for Summer break**

PLEASE NOTE - AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS HAVE FINISHED FOR THIS TERM

- Monday 6th September** - **School opens for children**
- Wednesday 8th September** - **Snowy Owls Swimming**
- Monday 13th September** - **After School Sports Club KS2 start**
- Wednesday 15th September** - **After School Sports Club KS1 start**