

East Brent Church of England First School

Newsletter

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Festival Concert: Thank you to all the parents and grandparents that supported our concert of music and poetry from the Highbridge Festival. It was very good for all the children to see each other perform. After so much hard work it was good to perform it 'just once more'. There is an article about the Highbridge Festival on the Burnham on Sea web site, with photographs of our children.

Thank you to everyone who donated and bought cakes after the concert. With the raffle we made £168 which will go towards the expenses of the festival.

Easter Egg Hunt: Thank you to the PTA who donated the Easter eggs for our Easter Egg Hunt, they were much appreciated by all the children.

Nativity DVD: Mr Gosling has produced a DVD of the Christmas Nativity Production, if you would like a copy please contact the office or Mrs Gosling the cost is £10.

Music Lessons: Mrs Steady has some spare places in her group recorder lessons, these cost £2 per session and take place during part of lunchtimes (the children will not lose all their playtime!!).

Summer Term Clubs: Please complete a new slip for the summer term.

- Monday Sports Club will continue with Miss Claridge.
- Tuesday Music Club will be working towards the summer production of *The Giant Slayer* (if your child was not in music club but would like to take part in the summer production they may join Music Club after the spring holiday on 22nd April).
- Wednesday PE Club will be working with the SASP coach on summer games and athletics.
- Thursday Club will continue with Miss Claridge.
- Ms Hare will take a Tag Rugby, cricket and rounders club on Thursdays for Years 3 and 4 (if there is space we will open this to Year 2's)

Sing Joseph: On Thursday 3rd April, our whole school will be joining with Brent Knoll and Lympsham schools to sing *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat*. We will travel by coach to St. Michael's Brent Knoll during the morning and take our packed lunches with us. We will practise in the morning, have our packed lunches as a big picnic and then perform it at 2 pm for parents. As there will be a lot of children taking part we are inviting just one parent per family to attend St. Michael's and then to take the children home from there. If you have any difficulty with these arrangements please let me know. We will perform it again in school, the next day on Friday 4th April for our celebration assembly and all parents can come to that. This will be a singing experience, and an opportunity for our children to sing in a large number and to make new friends. This is the first time that we have worked as a Benefice of schools.

Year 4 Residential Trip to The Beacon Centre: Reminder that all the remaining costs need to be paid before the 31st March.

East Brent Playgroup: Are holding a 'cake sale' in school on the last day of term, they will be selling a cake to each child at a cost of 20p. Please encourage your child to buy a cake as it helps their funds and makes a tasty end to the term.

Nuttall Trust: The PTA have been given a grant from the Nuttall Trust for £2,800 towards the cost of the activity trail. This is fantastic news & thanks to everyone for their hard work in putting the grant application together.

Netball: You will probably have heard from our excited children that the Netball team won the tournament at Hugh Sexey's against our other linked schools for the third time in a row!!! Our victorious team were Harry, Jack, McAully, Daniel, Bethany, Jacob, Harry, Kieran and Callum.

Parents Information Meeting: Mrs Plummer, Mrs Karen Wright, Mrs Holmes and Mrs Pearman are running a Parents Information Meeting on Tuesday 1st April at 2.15 pm to share with parents all the different types of group work that goes on in school to support children in many ways. This will be of interest to all parents.

Inset: Our final inset day will be on Monday 23rd June. We try wherever possible to align our inset training days with the Cheddar Valley Schools, but this is not always possible as some schools choose to take training in the evenings and build up extra days holiday.

If you have any questions or concerns at any time please talk to us, we are here to work in partnership with you to provide the best possible education for your children.

Heather Hector (Mrs)

Diary Dates:

1 st April	Parents Information Meeting - 2.15 pm school hall
3 rd April	Sing Joseph at St. Michael's Church, Brent Knoll 2 pm (1 parent per child family)
4 th April	Sing Joseph in school, 2.30 pm with Celebration Assembly (all parents welcome)
4 th April	School closes for Spring Holiday
21 st April	Summer Term begins
23 rd April	Church Assembly 9.00 am St. Mary's East Brent
30 th April	Multi skills Year 1 at Hugh Sexey details to follow
13 th May	Residential trip to The Beacon Centre - Year 4's - all monies this week please!

Monday Sports Club: Miss Claridge open to years 2, 3 and 4 - 3.15 pm - 4.15 pm (games and skills)

My child _____ would like to join Monday Sports Club

Signed: _____

Tuesday Music Club: Mrs. Bowkett to Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 - 3.15 pm - 4.15 pm (Summer Production).

My child _____ would like to join Music Club.

Signed: _____

Wednesday PE Club: Mr. Davies open to years 1, 2, 3 and 4 - 3.15 pm - 4.15 pm (summer sports)

My child _____ would like to join PE Club and I enclose £24

Signed _____

Thursday Club: Miss Claridge open to years 2 ,3 and 4 - 3.15 pm - 4.15 pm (art, craft and RE)

My child _____ would like to join Thursday Club

Signed _____

Ms. Hare: Thursday Sports Club: Open to Years 3 and 4 (in the first instance, if there is space we will open it up to Y2)

My child _____ would like to join Ms. Hare's sports club.

Signed _____