



Brackenbury Buzz – February 2018

DATES FOR THE DIARY

LEARNING TOGETHER MEETINGS

28TH FEBRUARY &
1ST MARCH

YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL

MONDAY 19TH
MARCH - FRIDAY
23RD MARCH

EASTER HOLIDAYS

FRIDAY 30TH
MARCH – 11TH
APRIL

12th 13th 16th APRIL
INSET FOR
TEACHERS

CHILDREN RETURN
ON TUESDAY 17TH
APRIL



In our Brackenbury community, we are

PROUD DETERMINED BRAVE

We are the best we can be!

Dear families,

Welcome back to school after the half-term. We hope you're ready and raring to go with us!

This half-term, we are focussed on Spring! We are planning a major playground project and the official opening of our Woodland Trail. If any of you would like to help us develop and do some planting to improve the outdoor areas, please contact the school office. We need some dedicated gardeners!

Please do remember to bring in a photo for your child doing sports outside school and of you and your child travelling anywhere in the world or the country.

Kind regards,

Lizzie Mullarky

Acting Headteacher

PARENT MEETING

Last half-term, we met and talked about our new Talk for Writing Approach and our plans for further development of personal and social skills, focussing on self-esteem.

This half-term we will be looking at the work we have done on maths and phonics and self-esteem.



The next parent coffee morning will be on
THURSDAY 29TH MARCH AT 9AM

MATHS WEEK

We had a very fun maths week, culminating in a mathsletes challenge. Congratulations to Vale who were the winning team. The parent workshops went down a treat and people who attended felt they were very useful. Thanks to Mrs O'Hagan, Mr Burton and Miss Lightowler for running these.

We will be doing a big display to celebrate all the work that was done in the week.



OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE

We have really developed this in the past term and it is looking great. There is a wide range of information on the website, including a diary of key events, the school focus and safeguarding to name but a few! Please take a look!

If you have any other suggestions about information that could be on the website, please let us know. We value your feedback.



SPORT! SPORT! SPORT!

This half term, our netballers will be playing in a tournament for the very first time and our footballers have a friendly match with Hangleton Primary.

It is great to see sport getting a high profile!

We are also working with PE development. They are developing PE lessons with different year groups so all children have an excellent opportunity to learn gymnastic skills. The children are really loving these lessons!



ATTENDANCE

Thank you to so many of you who have made a real difference to your child's attendance this year so far. This will make a real difference to your child's education. Let's see how our classes have been doing in the last half-term.

	Attendance Ted	Attendance Trophy
w/c 2.1.18	RECEPTION BEARS	Y6 FALCONS
w/c 8.1.18	Y2 GIRAFFES	Y5 KESTRELS
w/c 15.1.18	Y2 GIRAFFES	Y6 FALCONS
w/c 22.1.18	RECEPTION BEARS	Y5 KESTRELS
w/c 29.1.18	Y2 GIRAFFES	Y5 KESTRELS
w/c 5.2.18	Y2 GIRAFFES	Y4 OWLS

PLEASE NOTE THAT WE DO NOT AUTHORISE ANY HOLIDAYS, EXCEPT IN EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES.

SCHOOL LIBRARY

This year, we are developing a school library in the annexe building. I highlighted that the PTFA will be working on the fundraising for this. Miss Hodge has put together a wish list of furniture.

This will be a place we can all feel proud of as a community. Watch this space for details..



WE ARE ON TWITTER!

We are now on Twitter! You can find us @BrackenburyPri

We will be tweeting about up and coming events,
key information for parents and inspiring learning.

Follow us now and tell your friends! Let's see how many
followers we can get! WE NEED MORE FOLLOWERS – JOIN US!

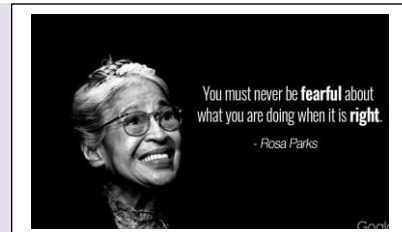


ASSEMBLIES

In our assemblies, we have been thinking about people who embody our school values of Proud – Determined – Brave. Two people we have thought about in the last term have been

Malala Yousafzai and Rosa Parks

Ask your children about these inspiring heroes.



MARTLET'S SNAILS

I am sure you all fondly remember the Martlet's Snow Dogs that were all across our city.

I am delighted that we will be part of this event with one of the snails! We are so excited! We will keep you updated with our progress with the snail and our fundraising events for the Martlets. I know that the Martlets has supported a number of our families and we are delighted to support them.



PTFA NEWS

This Spring, there will be plenty of fun events from the PTFA. Our PTFA run vital fundraising events that will make the difference to your child's opportunities at school.

Upcoming and coming dates this term

- **Jazz Night:** Friday 23rd February 2018
- **Non-Uniform Day for Easter Egg donations:** Friday 23rd March 2018
- **Bric-a-Brackebury:** Saturday 24th March 2018, 10.30am till 1.30pm

PLEASE SEE THE SCHOOL WEBSITE FOR DETAILS OF MEETINGS

THE NEXT PTFA MEETING IS ON THURSDAY 8TH MARCH AT 9AM - PLEASE DO COME IF YOU CAN

The more families we have supporting us, the better for all our children!



JOIN THE PTFA -YOU KNOW IT MAKES SENSE!