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## JUNE NEWSLETTER 2017

Dear Parents,

### The value for month of June is Inspiration



Wake up  
and  
smell the  
inspiration



This month we will be helping the children to be **INSPIRATIONAL** in their actions and behaviour.

Congratulations go to everyone in the school who achieved their goals in the first part of term 3 and took away their Attitude for Success certificates by achieving a **BRONZE** certificate for NEVER GIVING UP. All the children worked so hard with the assessments but I was so impressed at the maturity and calmness of the Y6 and Y2 children who completed their SATS in May with confidence and determination. This half term Y1 will have their phonics check assessments in June.

We had to say farewell to Mrs Payne on the last day of last half term. The Duckling class presented her with a lovely assembly, dancing to Rick Astley and ABBA as well as giving her a beautiful card and telling her of their memories of this year. Mrs Payne will be working for the Cooperative group which is situated close to her home.

It is lovely to welcome back Ms Barker to school this Monday. She will be supporting Mrs Barnes in Magpie class every Monday and on Wednesday afternoons.

In the last week of term we were successful in appointing a new teacher for September 2017 to replace Mrs Bett who will be leaving us in July. The new teacher is called Ms Buttress and she will be a full time class teacher in Duckling class working alongside Mrs Lander, who has increased her hours to full time and Mrs Judges will also be supporting in Duckling class. Mrs MacKinnon will become the full time teacher in Kingfisher and will mentor Ms Buttress throughout the year by sharing her knowledge and expertise of EY and Y1.

Mr Barrett will be coming into school on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June to spend the day with us all. There will be a coffee morning in the hall after dance club at 9am and all parents are welcome to meet Mr Barrett from 9.00am - 9.45am. FoBS have arranged for teas and coffees to be available so please feel free to come along and say hello.



THANK YOU for donating for the John Huntingdon Trust. We will continue to collect this half term and deliver the donations in July. Tinned foods, tea, coffee, jars of sauce, soups and dried goods are always appreciated. The donation box is found by the front door.



### School Building

Over the half term holidays building continued on the toilet extension at the back of Duckling class and the work has started on the new entrance to the front of school. This will be out of use for the rest of this term and parents and children will be asked to enter the school through the white door by the hall. In the mornings all children will gather on the back field and at the end of the school day all children with the exception of Y2 will be collected outside their classroom doors. Y2 will be collected from Magpie or Owl Classroom doors to avoid confusion with the After School Club.

Any parent wishing to visit the school during the school day will have to ring an intercom by the white door of the school hall and a member of staff will enable you to access school through this entry point. If you are collecting your child from a club please meet them at the Owl classroom door. The green gate will be opened by a school staff member.

Due to these alterations in access during the school day may I stress the importance of bringing your child to school on time in the morning to prevent any distress to your child. The work being carried out to the front lobby will provide a secure entrance.

During these times of building please be mindful of parking outside school and keep all entrances and the school gates clear at all times.

The middle school doors have had a coded lock added for safeguarding reasons. After 4pm these door will be closed and this area of school will not be accessible to parents or children. We will remind the children to remember all their coats and water bottles if they are at After School Club. If they forget something at the end of the day it will to be collected the following day.

### Growth Mindset - Questions of the week

This term we will continue to ask the children a question a week to consider at the start or end of every day to help them think about how they have approached their learning that day. The question will change each fortnight. Please do the same at home and ask the children the questions below, perhaps around the breakfast or dinner table as it will hopefully give you an insight into your child's learning. The question for the start of this term is:-

**This week we are asking the children to share:  
*What have you done today that was INSPIRATIONAL ?***

## Ely Cathedral - From Dinosaurs to DNA

Years 2-6 have taken part in the 2<sup>nd</sup> art project with Ely Cathedral linking Science, Art and Religion. Mrs Hewitt has led the project and worked closely with Babraham Institute to produce 4 banners, 2 huge sunflower sculptures and lanterns that decorate the cathedral alongside the work of 12 other schools. The children had the opportunity to visit the cathedral on Thursday May 25<sup>th</sup> and enjoy the celebration of their wonderful work.



## Dance / BIG SING / Cricket and Swimming

The children enjoyed a 3<sup>rd</sup> term of singing with Emma. This half term, Kirsty will have a morning of dance with each class to prepare them for the end of year production. Swimming lessons begin this Tuesday at Sawston and Cricket continues on Wednesday mornings for Years 3-6. Richard Bardesley will deliver the cricket and will be providing a taster session for Years 1 & 2 next week when Years 5/6 go on their Residential Visit.

Dates for all these activities are shown on the website and school calendar. Please ensure that PE bags are in school and swimming kit is brought in a separate waterproof bag with a towel and goggles - ALL LABELLED please. Swimming will be for Years 1-6 every Tuesday and swimming kit must be taken home at the end of the day. All children are expected to go swimming unless they have a specific illness such as an ear infection or broken joint.

## Summer performance

The dates below were set for the school performance in July :-

- 10.7.17- Siblings - 1.30pm
- 12.7.17 - Adults only - 6.30pm
- 13.7.17 - Adults only - 6.30pm

We have had to change Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July to be Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July as 6 of the key roles in Y6 will be out of school on their induction days at LVC on the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> July.

The new dates are now:-

- MONDAY 10.7.17- Siblings - 1.30pm
- WEDNESDAY 12.7.17 - Adults only - 6.30pm
- THURSDAY 13.7.17 - Adults only - 6.30pm

## FoBS

FoBS Camp Night is on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June (spare forms from the school office). FoBS are busy preparing the Colour Run and Colour Fayre that will follow the run on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July. Any help available to man the route will be gratefully received. Parents can cheer on their child and other runners and then join the children back at school for some more colourful fun activities. If you are able to help with this or any other event please contact FoBS.

## Teacher training

Ms Nicolson completes her training in Duckling class on Friday and Ms Laurie will be with us for 2 more weeks in Owl class. Mrs Deeks will continue working with Ducklings every Friday as she completes her SCIT training in our school setting.

## Sainsbury Vouchers

### Sainsbury's Active Kids is back

# Sainsbury's



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Active Kids vouchers can be collected from all Sainsbury's stores from January to June. If you have any vouchers at home please leave them with the office as they are a great way of building up sports equipment, outdoor resources and this year Sainsbury's are also offering Cooking and Nutrition Toolkits.

### School Dinner costs :-

Please note that lunches cost £2.25. **ALL children in Reception, Y1 and Y2 will be entitled to a universal FREE school meal.** May I ask that whenever possible that you pay your child's school meals in advance. Please calculate the lunches your child will have from the following information below:-

- 1 meal per week = £2.25
- 2 meals per week = £4.50
- 3 meals per week = £6.75
- 4 meals per week = £9.00
- 5 meals per week = £11.25

You can pay for your child's lunches in advance by sending a cheque to the office made payable to "Babraham Primary School" or you may wish to pay online at 20-17-19, 90395803 stating your child's name and "school dinner". Please email Mrs Letellier at [office@babraham.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:office@babraham.cambs.sch.uk) and she will record your payments.

### Babraham Website

Mrs Judges continues to improve the school website and sends out an overview of the week every Monday morning. Please let us know if you have any feedback on the changes to the page. <http://www.babrahamschool.org.uk/site>. If you have changed your telephone numbers or email addresses please let Mrs Judges know and she will update your details.

## Dates for your diaries for Term 3

### Term 3 dates 2016-2017

- Swimming - Tuesday morning starting 6<sup>th</sup> June
- Monday 12.6.17 to Weds 14.6.17 - PGL residential - Y5/6 - Mrs Hewitt, Mrs Tanner , Mr Verde, Ms Laurie
- Friday 16.06.17 - SPORTS DAY - 1.30pm - 3.30pm (providing it does not rain)
- Friday 23.06.17 - BIG SING - 2.30 - 3.00pm
- Wednesday July 5<sup>th</sup> - Meet the new teacher Day - Year 6 to SVC
- Summer performance
  - MONDAY 10.7.17- Siblings - 1.30pm
  - WEDNESDAY 12.7.17 - Adults only - 6.30pm
  - THURSDAY 13.7.17 - Adults only - 6.30pm
- Swim gala - SVC- 14<sup>th</sup> July
- Year 6 leavers - St Peter's - 1.30pm - 20<sup>th</sup> July
- Final Assembly - 9.30am - 21<sup>st</sup> July

### Class Assemblies

NONE in term 3 due to the school production

This school will break up for Summer Holidays on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July

Many thanks for all your continued support

Mark Verde