



# Broomhill First School

## September Newsletter



'Together We Succeed'

Dear Parents,

I hope that you and your families have enjoyed the summer break. It has been lovely hearing about what the children have been up to in the holidays.

I am very pleased to bring you some exciting news! Elaine Haves, who started her maternity leave last Friday, has given birth to a beautiful baby daughter named Isla Mary. I'm sure you will join me in sending our congratulations to Elaine and her family.

The Autumn Term is always a busy one so, as well as making a note of the dates overleaf, please check your child's book bag on a regular basis for further information. Newsletters are uploaded to our website (<http://www.broomhill.northumberland.sch.uk>) where you will also find a link to our facebook page.

As you know, during September we are holding parent welcome meetings. Written information will be sent home in book bags for those of you unable to attend but please contact your child's class teacher if you do not receive it or you require any further details or clarification.

I am really looking forward to working in partnership with you this year to ensure that we provide the very best opportunities for your child. Please remember that we have an 'open door' policy and you are very welcome to call in or contact me if you have any queries.

Julie Newton  
Headteacher



### Breakfast Club and After School Clubs

Our breakfast club is open on Monday to Friday mornings from 8.00am and our after school club runs until 4.15pm on Mondays, and until 5.15pm on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Further details, including cost, and booking forms are available from the school office.

### Baby and Toddler Sessions

We hold a 'Come and Play' session in our Nursery at 1.30pm to 3pm on Monday afternoons. These sessions are free and are run by a member of our Early Years' team. You are welcome to stay for the whole session or pop in for part of it.

Broomhill Toddler Group is a community group run by local parents. They hold a session in our school hall on a Thursday morning at 9am to 10.45am where babies and toddlers can play and adults can have a chat and a catch up. All welcome. Please see Hayley Wade (mother of Ezra in Big Owls) for further details.

## Keep All Our Children Safe - Important Safety Information

We do not have a separate pedestrian walkway and although we do restrict the movement of vehicles during the school day this cannot be guaranteed. Please note that it is the responsibility of parents to ensure that their children are closely supervised when using the school drive and crossing the car parking area, to prevent accidents from occurring. This will also ensure that you are with your child before they exit the school gates next to the busy main road.

For your child's safety and the safety of others please could you ensure that if your child comes to school on a scooter, bike etc, that they do not ride it on school premises, including the school drive.

Please do not let your children play on the play equipment on the school field when the grass is damp or wet, as it can become slippery. In dry conditions, if you wish your child to play on the equipment then this should be done only with close adult supervision.

The Trap Inn car park is available for parents to park in for dropping off and collecting children by car. If you do park outside the school gates, please park safely and also with respect for local residents' driveway access and footpath users. Please do not pull up on the yellow zigzag area at any time, even for a brief moment such as to let people out of your vehicle.

We have children in school who are allergic to peanuts. Please do not send items into school that contain or may contain traces of peanuts or peanut oil.

The gate to the main school yard will be locked in the mornings at 9.05am and re-opened at 2.55pm. If your child is late to school then they must be accompanied by an adult to the school office to be signed in. If you arrive at school after 2.55pm and the gate is still locked, then please let the office know and a member of staff will sort it.

Thank you for your support with the above.

## Dates for Diaries

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September - Welcome meeting for Year 1 parents at 2.30pm (additional date).

w/c 23<sup>rd</sup> September - Book Fair Week in the school hall, open from 9.00am to 9.15am and from 3.10pm to 3.40pm (apart from Friday). Further details to follow.

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September - 'Rockpool School' will be visiting Finches in the afternoon.

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September - MacMillan Cancer Support World's Biggest Coffee Morning in the school hall. 9am to 11am. Everyone welcome.

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October - Firefighter bags to school.

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October - Individual Parent/Teacher Meetings 3.15pm - 5.30pm for all classes (letter to follow).

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October - Individual Parent/Teacher Meetings 3.15pm - 7pm for all classes (letter to follow).

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October - Nasal flu vaccinations.

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October - Tempest School Photographs (letter to follow).

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2.15pm - Harvest Festival, all welcome.

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October - School closes for half term and re-opens on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November.

