



Brunton Matters

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We had a visit from our MP

Catherine McKinnell

As a gold Artsmark school we were chosen to show our creativity to our MP Catherine McKinnell. Our Art Ambassadors were fantastic being able to explain the art taking place across the school so far this year. Our MP was joined by Culture bridge Northeast and Arts Council England. All our visitors had a wonderful time. A big thank you to our wonderful children and staff for sharing our creativity so well.

Safety around School

Please can you help to keep all the children at Brunton safe?

Please do not drop your children off in the car park. All children need to be brought into the playground (or into Breakfast clubs/Butterflies and Bugs) by an adult.

There are no staff on duty in the car park and staff are only on duty from 8.45am when the doors open. Children must be supervised in the playground and, as parents, you are responsible for their safety until they come into school at 8.45am.

Twitter

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter. We use Twitter to share the children's learning and activities in and out of school. We love to see what our children do away from school so remember to follow us @Bruntonfirst and keep tweeting.

Parent's Evenings

Thank you for booking your appointment so quickly using Parentmail. We look forward to seeing you on Monday 21st October or Tuesday 22nd October, where we will discuss how your child has settled into their class. We will give you some next steps which will help your child make progress. Please remember that your appointment is for 10 minutes only. If it runs over it will have a knock on effect for other parents. Your support with this is much appreciated.

Gregg's Cancer Run - First Place!

How fantastic - we came first this year raising a massive £6386. We have the Sandy Weir trophy back in school. A huge thank you to all who took part and to all those who sponsored all our runners. Let's see if we can continue to support this great cause this year. Keep an eye out for how to enter this year.

Harvest Festival - Friday 18th October

We are celebrating Harvest in school with harvest assemblies. The assemblies are for children only as we feel it is important to celebrate Harvest as a whole school together and space does not allow us to include parents. We would like to support the Food banks in Newcastle so if any family would like to donate some food we will take it to the West End Food Bank after our celebration in school. Please bring your donations into school by Friday 18th October. Thanking you in anticipation.

Reception Open Day - 5th November

Come and join your child to celebrate Bonfire night - details with time slots from Reception staff

Friends of Brunton

It is with sadness that I have to tell you that the FoB is being disbanded. I want to thank the committee and their helpers for their hard work. They have raised a lot of money over the recent years which is beneficial to all the children in school. The balance from their bank account will be used for Christmas treats in school for the children. Could parents please think about whether you would like to start a new PTA. Please contact me if you are interested.

KS2 Fruit Shop

This is extremely popular and the year 4 children enjoy running it. A big thank you to Mrs Arneja, Mrs Sutton and Mrs Hunter who buy the fruit and the year 4 children for helping to run the fruit shop. Thank you to parents for supporting this venture. Any profit is used to buy equipment for playtimes chosen by the children who run the fruit shop.



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These dates are as accurate as they can be. I will update the dates in every newsletter

Dates for your Diary – Autumn Term		
Date	Time	Event
Friday 18 th October	pm	Harvest assemblies – children only, food donations to the school office please.
Monday 21 st October	3.30 - 7.00pm	Parents' Evening – details to follow
Tuesday 22 nd October	3.30 - 6.00pm	Parents' Evening – details to follow
Thursday 24 th October		School closes for half term
Friday 25 th October		TRAINING DAY – School Closed
Monday 4 th November	8.50am	School re-opens
Monday 4 th November	am	Balance bikes for reception
Tuesday 5 th November	am and pm	Reception open day
Tuesday 5 th November	am	Balance bikes for reception
Monday 11 th November	All day	The Book Bus – details to follow
Monday 11 th November	am	Balance bikes for reception
Tuesday 12 th November	All day	The Book Bus – details to follow
Tuesday 12 th November	All day	Flu immunisations
Tuesday 12 th November	am	Balance bikes for reception
Thursday 14 th November	am	School nurse – Year 1 teeth session
Friday 15 th November	All day	Children in Need day
Friday 15 th November	All day	The History Bloke – Y2 Romans
Monday 18 th November	am	Balance bikes for reception
Tuesday 19 th November	9.00am	Year 1JG Class Assembly
Tuesday 19 th November	am	Balance bikes for reception
Wednesday 20 th November	9.00am	Year 1GA Class Assembly
Thursday 21 st November	9.00am	Year 1SL Class Assembly
Monday 25 th November	am	Balance bikes for reception
Tuesday 26 th November	9.00am	Year 3MH Class Assembly
Tuesday 26 th November	am	Balance bikes for reception
Wednesday 27 th November	9.00am	Year 3PP Class Assembly
Thursday 28 th November	9.00am	Year 3NM Class Assembly
Monday 2 nd December	All week	Festivals of Light week
Thursday 5 th December	All day	Road Safety for Reception
Friday 6 th December	All day	Road Safety for years 1 and 2
Tuesday 10 th December	10.00am 2.00pm 6.00pm	Reception Christmas Performance Year 4 Christmas Performance Year 2 Christmas Performance



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Wednesday 11 th December	10.00am 2.00pm 6.00pm	Year 2 Christmas Performance Reception Christmas Performance Year 4 Christmas Performance
Thursday 12 th December	10.00am 2.00pm	Year 4 Christmas Performance Year 2 Christmas Performance
Friday 13 th December	am	KS1 Christmas Crafts (years 1 and 2) – details to follow
Tuesday 17 th December	morning	Carol Service at St Aidans for years 1,2 3 and 4
Wednesday 18 th December	lunchtime	Christmas lunch
Wednesday 18 th December	2.45	Carol singing – years 2, 3 and 4 outside 3MH and 4HW
Thursday 19 th December	2.45	Carol singing – Reception and year 1 outside 1GA
Friday 20 th December	3.15pm	School Closes