



THE BATT C.E. SCHOOL

## THE BATT CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents/Carers

### Roots to Food

All our children benefited from healthy eating workshops led by the nutrition and well-being company, Roots to Food, on Tuesday. In the morning, the Junior children began their session learning about different food groups and having a healthy diet. After break, two teams of four children, one led by Miss Lannig and the other led by Miss Cooper, took part in a 'Ready Steady Cook' style of competition. Each team was given a bag of ingredients and they had to decide what they would cook in their allotted time of 15 minutes. Miss Lannig's team cooked a delicious Salmon Curry with Sag Aloo and Miss Cooper's team produced a wonderful Double-cooked Chicken pasta dish. All the children were involved in judging their preferred food either by tasting or looking at what had been cooked. It was a really fun and informative workshop for everyone.

In the afternoon, the Infants took part in healthy living workshops which included exercise, learning about healthy eating and making a banana milkshake.

The cost of the day, £385, was met by our caterers, The School Lunch Company.

### James Ketchell – Adventurer

We were thrilled to welcome the adventurer, television presenter and speaker, James Ketchell, to our school today. James is well known for completing adventures including rowing single-handed across the Atlantic, cycling around the world and climbing the tallest mountain in the world. He spoke to the Infants, Lower Juniors and Upper Juniors in three sessions during the morning and showed the children videos and photographs of his journeys. It was a hugely inspiring talk for both the children and adults. If you want to know more about James, please visit his website [www.jamesketchell.net](http://www.jamesketchell.net). I would like to thank Anthony Gibson and his company Tealium, for arranging and funding the visit today. We all look forward to following James's next adventure – attempting to be the first person to fly solo around the world in a gyrocopter. His journey will begin on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December.

### Safeguarding Newsletter

Sharon Bark, one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads, has produced our latest safeguarding newsletter which your child should have brought home today. It gives you information about various safeguarding advice and support, including keeping children safe on the internet. I hope you find it informative.

### Maths and SPaG Information Evening

As you are aware, our teachers will be in school between 6.00 and 7.00pm on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October to show and discuss with parents and carers how we teach Maths and Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPaG) in each year group. We have had very positive feedback from previous information evenings and I highly recommend you coming along for half an hour or so to hear more about the Maths and English curriculum.

### Harvest Festival

As you know, our Harvest Festival is next Thursday at 1.45pm. We would love the children to bring in donations of food to the school on the day, such as tins and packets etc. These will be donated to local charities. All our children will attend the service, including RD, not as stated in last week's newsletter.



### War Memorabilia

Please be reminded that if you or your relatives have any photographs or artefacts from the wars, and you are happy for your child to be photographed with them, please bring them to the hall either at 3.00pm on Tuesday or at 8.45am next Friday. You will recall from last week's newsletter that we will be covering a wooden cut-out of a soldier with these photographs as part of the town's commemoration of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of World War One. If you are unable to bring in the photographs or artefacts on the above dates, please contact the office to arrange an alternative.

### BSA AGM

It was lovely to see some new faces at the AGM on Monday evening and to hear some exciting new ways of raising funds for the school. I will let you know the dates for upcoming events as soon as they have been confirmed.

### Book Fair

Our next Scholastic Book Fair will take place after school on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> and Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October. Scholastic will donate books and other resources to school depending on how many books are sold.

### Safeguarding Training for Volunteers

Our next safeguarding training for volunteers will take place next Wednesday (3<sup>rd</sup> October) at 9.00am. If you already volunteer in school or are considering doing so in the near future, you are required to attend this training which usually lasts just under an hour. Please let the office know if you would like to attend on Wednesday.

### Flute and Clarinet Lessons

We have two spaces for children to learn the flute or clarinet, starting next month. If your child might be interested in this, please contact the school office.

I hope the children have continued to settle in well to their new year groups.

Yours sincerely

Mr Chris Payne  
Headteacher

