

From tiny acorns, mighty oak trees grow, watered and nurtured by God.

Braywood Newsletter



We are all looking forward to the wedding of Prince Harry and Megan Markle!



Aspire, Learn, Achieve

What is happening this month?

- Sat / Sun 17th & 18th March Year 3 and 4 Opera performance in Bray Church
- Friday 23rd March Year 1 and 2 trip to Milestones
- Tuesday 27th March Enact Royal Wedding at St Andrews Church, Clewer.
- Wednesday 28th March Year 1 Dance Competition
- Thursday 29th March Easter Concert in Bray Church at 1.30pm
- Thursday 29th March to Tuesday 17th April **School Closes at 2pm in Bray Church**
Easter Break

For more dates see the back of the newsletter.

Wedding Celebrations

Tuesday 27th March 9am to 12pm

We have this wonderful opportunity to re-enact the Royal Wedding of Prince Harry and Megan Markle on the morning of Tuesday 27th March at the

Church of St Andrew, Clewer.

<https://www.standrewsclewer.org>



As Windsor gets ready for this exciting event we are fortunate enough to be asked to become directly involved in planning for a similar event. Our special guests to our wedding are Sir Trevor McDonald and Julie Etchingam.



More information can be found further in the newsletter.

Have you checked your eschools account?

You can always log onto our website to find out more information through the link <https://braywood-ce.eschools.co.uk/website> regarding homework, trips and much, much more.





What happened last month?

Some of the recent trips and visitors

World Book Day

To celebrate World Book Day we invited Coral Rumble into school to help us write a poem together. The children really gained a great deal from the experience and produced some lovely pieces of work.

<http://poetryzone.co.uk/interviews/coral-rumble/>

World Book Day Disco

As usual everyone who attended the disco had a lovely time. Thank you to the PTA for arranging this event.

Trip to Neasden

Year 3 and 4 went to Neasden to visit the spectacular Hindu Temple last term. The building is amazing and this was a really special trip for our older pupils.

It is an important part of our RE syllabus to fully understand and appreciate other religions. We hope that by having such experiences so young our children will grow up to have a balanced and rich understanding of people from other faiths.

Tournaments

Last week our football team got through to county level of Berkshire Games. It was a close second and everyone played really well!

In Year 4 we have entered 4 pupils in a challenge competition at Eton End and we wish them every success.

We have also entered a Netball competition and information will be available soon.

Recent Snow Day



It is always a difficult decision whether to keep the school open or to close the school on a snowy day. We will always endeavor to stay open at all cost. The reason why we do this is to offer support for our working parents and especially this year when we had our parents' consultations and people would have had days booked off school.

The school will never expect parents to bring their children into school if they personally do not feel safe to drive. As a parent you have to make that decision.

We always have the same routine, there will be a whole school 'kiss and drop' because of the dangers on the road and at some point in that day we will all go out on the field and play in the snow. This year we celebrated World Book Day as well.



Events and news for this month

BREAKING NEWS

Year 3 & 4 are having a biscuit sale on **Thursday 15th March** in aid of Water Aid.

Coral Rumble

Above is a photograph of the author who visited the school last week. Her name is Coral Rumble and the school paid for her visit at a cost of £250 below is of her poems..

YOU'RE DEAD

*If you copy from a friend
You're dead,
If you give the truth a bend
You're dead,
If you run instead of walk
Or shout instead of talk
You're dead,
You're dead;*

*If you forget your pencil case
You're dead,
If you make a funny face
You're dead,
If your pages are all blotchy
Your teacher will go potty
You're dead,
You're dead;*

*If you walk over the grass
You're dead,
If you pick your nose in class
You're dead,
If your reading book gets lost
You'll have to pay the cost
You're dead,
You're dead;*

*If you're talking at the back
You're dead,
If your finger nails are black
You're dead,
If you're late in your arriving
Not much chance of your surviving
You're dead,
You're dead;*

*If you fail the tables test
You're dead,
If you take a little rest
You're dead,
If your games kit's being washed
Or your topic's sort of squashed
You're dead,*

*You're dead;
If you jump the dinner queue
You're dead,
If your name's scratched on the loo
You're dead,
If your homework is in late
Then you'll have to meet your fate
You're dead,
You're dead;*

*If you're sent to see the head
You're dead,
If his face gets kind of red
You're dead,
If he reaches for the phone
And makes contact with your home
YOU'RE DEAD!*

Year 1 Dance Show

This is an annual event that allows our Year 1 pupils to choreograph and perform a dance alongside other Windsor Schools. The performance is at Windsor Boys School on Wednesday 28th March. Parents are asked to drop off and collect your child at Windsor Boys School. (See Y1 letter)

Royal Wedding

As was outlined at the beginning of this newsletter we have been offered this wonderful opportunity to celebrate the Royal Wedding in style.

The whole school will be re-enacting how we think the Royal Wedding will look like on Tuesday 27th March at The Church of St Andrew, Clewer.

We have been busy planning what we think various elements of the wedding will be like, such as:

- YF Flowers, bridesmaids etc
- Y1 Inside the chapel e.g. shields
- Y2 Transportation
- Y3 Food and invitations
- Y4 Who will be invited to the wedding?

The Year 4 pupils will be representing specific members of the Royal family; we have an Archbishop of Canterbury, a bride, groom, bridesmaids, pageboys and a beautiful venue – the oldest church in Windsor.

We are asking each child to dress up for the occasion as if they have been invited to a wedding on this day. All children need to be dropped off between 8.30 and 8.45am at the Windsor Leisure Centre on Tuesday 27th March. The Leisure Center has kindly offered us a studio where we can wait until the whole school is assembled. We can then safely walk to the church.

Oxford Studios will be filming on this day to produce a documentary demonstrating the Nation's anticipation. We will be a small part of this but will need permission for each child to attend.

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Please ask in the office if you have any questions.

We are thrilled that we will be joined by two special guests on this day – Sir Trevor McDonald and Julie Etchingham.

Closer to the actual wedding on Friday 18th May at 2.30pm we will be inviting all parents to attend the same ceremony at school in the playground. This will be followed by high tea and dancing. I hope you will be able to join us for half an hour.

School Disco

Thank you to the PTA for organizing a super disco on World Book Day.

Everyone had a lovely time.

END OF TERM
School closes on Thursday 29th
March at 2pm.
There is no after school club
on this day.

Last Day of Term – Easter Concert at 1.30pm

On Thursday 29th March the school lunch choice will be Fish and Chips, the usual vegetarian option and jacket potato.

This is the day of our Easter Concert, which starts at 1.30pm. We will be eating our lunch early as we are heading off the church to do a run through of the concert before parents arrive. Please do not arrive at church too early because we are busy rehearsing and the church will be closed.

No bookbags or coats (if it is a nice day). Packed lunches in disposable plastic bags please.

Please be advised that the Bray Cricket Club Car Park will be available and that it is very important to park courteously.

School Lunches

Over the last few months we have been working with the children to find out what exactly they would like to eat for lunch. There is so much waste!

The new menu will be coming out shortly.

Year 4 pupils swimming at Windsor Leisure Pool

Our Y4 pupils will be swimming from Thursday 19th April for the next 10 weeks. The school pays for a coach and lessons for this period of time at a cost of £2,150.

The Year 4 children will need a swimming costume, caps and towel in a rucksack. The children can only have packed lunch or school packed lunch on these days. *(See Y4 letter)*

Teaching and Learning

Music and Performance.

Music and performance in the curriculum is obviously important. It is about self-assurance, self-esteem, celebration and personal recognition. Music is in fact about much more than this.

Learning words to songs increases memory, language and reasoning skills; practicing rhyme helps basic phonic skills and coordination; interpreting

scripts require emotional, imaginative and intellectual curiosity and finally music encourages children to take risks, grow in confidence and work as a team.

We are very lucky to have dedicated music teacher. Our latest musical project led by Ollie Gooch (whose day job is to lead the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra) is going to be very exciting.

Opera in Bray Church on Saturday and Sunday 17th and 18th March

Our Year 3 and 4 pupils will be taking part in 'All the Kings Men'. Richard Rodney Bennett moving children's opera full of enchanting melodies and lively orchestration will be brought to life by nearly 100 children.



After School Club

An emergency telephone number 07545881264 is available if you do not get a response from school.

Here are this month's house point's results:

Eagles 26

Kestrels 18

Hawks 25

Falcons 22

Kites 22

Owls 21

We have recently appointed Year 4 House Captains alongside our Y4 Sports leadership roles.

Childcare vouchers

Please check with your employer to see if they offer this scheme. It is a tax effective means of paying for after school care. It will not accept new applications after 1st April 2018 so sign up if you think you may use them in the future. They can be used for netball and PGL trip as well as Early bird and Squirrel Club.

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Saturday 17 th March	Opera Rehearsal in Bray Church
Sunday 18 th March	Opera Performance in Bray Church
Friday 23 rd March	Year 1 & 2 go to Milestones Museum
Tuesday 27 th March	Re-enact the Royal Wedding
Wednesday 28 th March	Dance Competition for Year 1 pupils
Thursday 29 th March	Easter Concert at 1.30 pm at Bray Church
30 th March - 17 th April	EASTER BREAK
Monday 16 th April	Inset Day - No School
Thursday 19 th April	NSPCC talking to the whole school
Thursday 19 th April	Swimming starts for Year 4
Monday 23 rd April	EYFS Class meeting at 8.45am in the Clockhouse
Tuesday 24 th April	Year 1 Class meeting at 8.45am in the Clockhouse
Wednesday 25 th April	Year 2 Class meeting at 8.45am in the Clockhouse
Thursday 26 th April,	Year 3 Class meeting at 8.45am in the Clockhouse
Friday 27 th April	Year 4 Class meeting at 8.45am in the Clockhouse
Friday 18 th May	Invitation to the Royal Wedding at 2.30pm in the school playground followed by high tea and dancing.
Friday 25 th May	Fun Run at Braywick Cricket Ground at 1.30pm School Closes at 2pm with refreshments There is no After School Club on this day
Monday 28 th May – 1 st June	Half Term break
Tuesday 5 th June	Estate Day at Windsor Great Park for Y3/4
Thurs 14 th June	Braywick Trip for Year F
Saturday 30 th June	Summer Fair at 2pm
16 th – 18 th July	PGL Trip for Year 4
Friday 20 th July	Leavers assembly at 9am Sports Day at 10-12am Picnic on School field until 1-2pm

Clubs



Monday	Judo Years 1,2,3 & 4	3.15-4.15
	French Yr1,2,3 & 4	3.15-4.15
Wednesday	Chelsea Football	
	Foundation	2.45-3.15
	Years 1,2,3 & 4	3.15-4.15
	Ballet Years 1&2	3.15-4.00
	Ballet Years 3+	4.00-4.45
	Modern/Tap dance 2+	4.45-5.30
Thursday	Sewing Years 1-4	3.20-4.35
	Netball Years 3&4	3.15-4.15
Friday	Yoga Club Year1,2,3,4	3.15-4.15

Clubs this term run from 30th
April to 2nd July

PTA Update

There is a PTA meeting on 2nd May at the Jolly Gardener

The PTA are holding a second Hand Uniform sale on 22nd March alongside an Easter Egg Hunt for the children. Please let Corrina know if you are able to help.

Kind Regards

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