

Brundall School News - 4

November 2009

There was a lovely turnout to the 'Visioning the Future' morning on November 2. Teachers, support staff, governors, community link workers, parents and children all made useful contributions to thinking about the future direction of improvements at the school.

At the meeting there were many positive comments about the curriculum we already offer, with hands on and creative opportunities. We also noted the effective intervention programs in place for children who need support to catch up with their learning.

6 themes emerged during the morning as key areas. These are:

1. continue to develop the creative curriculum with children as active, involved learners
2. develop outdoor learning throughout the school
3. increase the links between Key Stage 1 and 2
4. keep improving resources on offer, whether in ICT or curriculum equipment
5. improve communication between different groups at the school
6. keep building on the Sports on offer at school, using specialist help where possible.

These themes will be taken up with *Governors* and *Staff* and built into the new *School Improvement Plan*.

One of the changes this year has been to include all our pupils on the 'gifted and talented' Register. This is because we do not consider gifts and talents as 'givens' but as qualities and skills to develop through teaching, coaching, practice and application. All teachers are looking for the unique enthusiasms of the children in their class, and frequently we do get clippings of martial arts successes, football achievements outside of school, gymnastics or dance medals or theatre appearances and equestrian competitions entered. Achievements like these are good for us to know about in building up our profile of all our children as Gifted and Talented. If your child is making special accomplishments outside of school, please do let their teacher know so that we can record this.

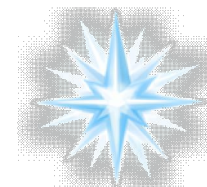
R. Stuart-Sheppard Headteacher

We would like to welcome Mrs Rose to the School as our new Office Administrator.

Dates for your Diary



Children in Need
Advent Assembly
KS1 perform to Parents
Christmas Lunch
KS1 trip to Puppet Theatre
School Choir to sing at Brundall Nursing Home
KS2 perform to parents
R/1/2 visit Church
3/4/5/6 visit Church
Celebration Assembly



20th November
23rd November
10th and 11th December
10th December
14th December
15th December (pm)
15th and 16th December (am)
16th December (am)
17th December
18th December

Thank You



The Gardening Club would like to thank the FOBS and everyone who supports them for purchasing a Potting shed for the school grounds. This will further develop the outdoor learning in school.

Friends of Brundall School

Are you interested in joining the FOBS?

We are currently looking for a Chairperson and also a Vice- Chairperson.
If you are interested, please contact the School Office

Morrison Gardening Vouchers

Can you please make sure all vouchers are handed in to the school office by 15th November
Thank you

Parking on Braydeston Avenue

Thank you to all parents who do not use Braydeston Avenue. It is a private road and access is limited. We do encourage all parents not to use the Avenue as a car route to school. Can we also remind parents that it is dangerous to park on any yellow zigzag lines. Two complaints about this have been passed to the police this week.

Pret- a -Portrait Photographers

Will be in school on the Thursday 12th November 2009 for Class photographs

(any child who was absent for the individual photographs should contact the office and we will arrange for it to be taken)

Term Dates

Christmas 21st Dec. - 4th Jan. inclusive
(4th January is a staff development day)

Spring Term 2010

Half Term 15th - 19th February inclusive
Easter 2nd - 19th April inclusive
(19th April is a staff development day)