



Brundall School News - 17

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Throughout the school, reading is taking place for every child, every day. Walking around the school, I was impressed by the variety of different types and kinds of reading going on for every age. Our youngest children were focusing on phonics and practising their letter and sound knowledge. Then I saw the Toucans busily changing their reading books, supported by teacher, Learning Support Assistants and our volunteer pupils from Thorpe St Andrew High School. The Orioles were making careful drafts of a story and Puffins were practising their letter formation. In the Peacock classroom, one group of children were taking part in guided reading with a book about 'How Things Work' and others were reading a copy of a children's newspaper. The Owls were also taking part in guided reading with a fiction text. The Dodos had a range of reading, from a small groups reciting poetry to each other with expression, children reading independently with a good level of challenge (the Harry Potter books continue to inspire young readers to really engage with a long, involved and rewarding story) and other children re-drafting their own compositions.

It is our commitment for every child to learn to read, and to learn to read a wide range of material. This walk really showed the learning: books, newspapers, fiction, non-fiction, poetry, self-compositions, rereading, redrafting and more. Other children were also having one-to-one support, and if pupils are not making progress we will take every step we can to make sure they become confident readers. Please see your child's teacher if there are concerns or aspects of your child's reading you would like to discuss.

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Mrs Harper following interviews on Friday as a Midday Supervisor. Mrs Harper will work with our Midday Supervisor team on the Key Stage 1 playground to make sure that our lunchtimes continue to be safe and enjoyable.

Don't forget the parents' part of our learning about Growth Mindsets will start at 7:00, not 6:15 as previously published. I hope to see as many parents as possible there for what should be an informative and useful session.

R. Stuart-Sheppard



GUERNSEY EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY SERVICE
Mindframes for Parents
How to Celebrate People the Right Way



At Brundall School
Tuesday, 20th January 2014
7.00pm - 8.15pm.

Dates for your Diary



Mind frames for parents	20 th January
Snow Queen Performance	21 st January
Half Term Holiday	16 th -20 th February
Year 5 - Science Bus	9 th March
Easter Holiday	30 th March - 10 th April
May Day Holiday	4 th May
May Half Term	25 th - 29 th May
Summer holiday begins	20 th July



After School Clubs

Monday	Dance Sportshall Athletics
Tuesday	Gymnastics
Wednesday	Art & Craft
Thursday	TBC
Friday	Football



All clubs start at 3.30pm



Sportshall Athletics Club

If your child is in Year 3 or above you may be interested in a new club starting in our area. Sportshall athletics is an indoor exciting, team based sport which introduces children to athletics. This weekly club begins Saturday 17th January at Sprowston Community High School.

Contact Mrs Brown for further details, or Clive Poyner on coaching@conac.org.uk

School Closures



With the weather forecasts predicting cold and possibly snowy days ahead, remember that the most reliable source of information is the Norfolk Schools website www.schoolclosures.norfolk.gov.uk.

Parents can register at www.norfolk.gov.uk/disruptions to receive email or text notifications about school closures. Text messages cost 25 pence per notification and email notifications are free.

If I make the decision to close the school because of poor conditions, this is where I will post the information. This is then used by local radio stations to broadcast. Mr Winter does an excellent job of clearing snow and gritting school pathways and we endeavour to stay open whenever possible and safe to do so.



Collection

A local woman is currently organising a collection of warm clothes and other items for displaced people in Iraq. Winter clothing, especially children's clothes, winter shoes or boots are needed.

If you have any items that you would like to donate please contact:

Helen Casson on 01603 712092.

In and Around Brundall School



Premier Sports are providing 6 weeks of PE sessions for our Owls and Swans.



Kerry Marsden entertained us with a rendition of Frozen on her flute.



Rory Marsden performed a Ukulele assembly to raise interest in our new after school club.



Some nature art during playtime!



Playground fun!



August received a medal for achieving third place for Speed bounce in Sportshall Athletics.



UEA student Alvin came to talk to the children about the lifestyle and culture of Malaysia.



Puffins practising their ball control skills in their Hockey lesson.



Our Playground Pals are proving very popular with the KS1 children.