

# **Braidwood Primary School November Newsletter 2022**





Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you all well.

In this newsletter you'll find information on what's been happening in school, and also dates for your diary. We will be hosting an Open Event on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November when you will get to come and visit your child's class for a short time. We look forward to seeing you then!

# Poppy Appeal

Our School Captains are planning a special assembly for our pupils this Friday about Remembrance Day. Poppies are available for pupils to buy in school, and any donation of a silver coin would be appreciated. Please send your child with a coin if they would like a poppy. We have raised a good amount of money already this week.



#### **Food Bank**

Primary 4 are collecting for the Clydesdale Food Bank. Please hand in any donations you are able to, and the class will organise these and deliver them to the food bank. We'll be collecting over the month of November.

#### **Parent Council**

A massive thank you to our Parent Council for organising the Halloween disco. The pupils all had a ball and looked spooktacular in their costumes. The Parent Council are now planning their annual Christmas Fair, which will be a super event on the 6<sup>th</sup> December. The Parent Council are running two dress down days before the Fair to collect bits needed for the event. On Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December pupils can dress down and bring a donation of chocolate! It's a good way to get rid of extra Halloween goodies. On Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November pupils can dress down and hand in a small donation for the 'Money Tree' stall. Information on this will follow shortly from the Parent Council.





#### **Maths Week**

From 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> November we will be celebrating Maths Week. We will be exploring the importance of maths in real life. Pupils will be learning about journeys, timetables, telling the time and planning excursions. During this week all our P1 and P2 pupils will also be bringing home a 'Home Learning Maths Pack'. This is for you to keep, and will contain information to help with maths and numeracy activities at home.

#### Masterclasses are back!

The pupils were excited to see the return of Masterclasses last week. Masterclasses allow pupils to try out a different activity and develop a range of skills and talents. Pupils work in mixed age groupings, meeting new friends, and working with a different member of staff. Pupils choose which one they would like to be part of. Some of the Masterclasses this term are: drawing, football, cooking, jewellery making, coding, Harry Potter, animation and many more! Ask your child to tell you all about their Masterclass.













# School Chaplain - Thank you

Our school Chaplain, Mr Iain Cunningham has retired. We enjoyed an assembly with Mr Cunningham last week to thank him for all of his guidance and support over the years here in Braidwood. We wish him happiness and health in his retirement.

#### **Book Bags**

Book Bags from the Scottish Book trust will be handed out to P2 and P3 pupils on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November. These are for them to keep, and enjoy the activities at home with family members. P1 will receive theirs soon, as unfortunately there has been a delay in delivery of these.

# **Christmas Parties**

At the end of the newsletter you will find the dates for the Christmas parties. Pupils can get changed into their party clothes here in school, or you may wish them to come home for lunch that day. If on their party day your child is a home lunch, please note it in their diary. They can be collected from the main front door to go home at 12.15pm and come back for their party starting.

Best wishes,

Mrs Gwen Sinclair Head Teacher

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Be the best you can be!

# **Dates for your Diary**



# **NOVEMBER**

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> – In-service day school closed to pupils
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> – Maths Week Activities in school
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> – Sports Hall Athletics
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> – Open morning
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> – Dress Down Day (a donation of loose change in envelope provided, info to follow)

# **DECEMBER**

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> - Dress Down Day (no cost, but a chocolate donation if possible!)
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Fayre in evening 6pm - 8pm (info to follow)
Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> - P7 to Lanark Panto
Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> - School Christmas Lunch (letter to follow)
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> - P3 Nativity Show 9.45am (P3 Parents invited)
Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> - P5 and 6 Christmas Party 1.15pm
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> - P3 and 4 Christmas Party 1.15pm
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> - P1 and 2 Christmas Party 1.15pm
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December - School closes 2.30pm for holidays

# **JANUARY**

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> – School Re-opens