

# Braidwood Primary School November Newsletter 2023





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. It was lovely to see so many of you at the Open Morning this week. We hope you enjoyed getting to work with your child at school.

## **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 next few months and regularly sending the items to the Food Bank. Last Friday we delivered 6 huge bags full of items! The P4 Enterprise Team have been keeping a graph of how much we have collected, and it's amazing! Thank you for your generosity.







### **Parent Council**

A massive thank you to our Parent Council for organising the Halloween disco. The pupils all had a ball and looked suitably spooky in their costumes. The money raised will go towards paying for outings, Christmas parties etc for our pupils.

At the recent Parent Council meeting, the decision was made to not have a Christmas Fair this year. Instead, we will organise a Spring Fair for the pupils and their families. These events take a huge amount of planning, and need lots of parent helpers. The Parent Council hope they can recruit some new helpers for the Spring Fair. There will be a Christmas Raffle this year which will be drawn on the 14<sup>th</sup> December. Information and tickets will be sent home soon for this.



# Young Leaders of Learning

Our School Captains are taking part in the Young Leaders of Learning programme. They are working with pupils from Netherburn Primary sharing the strengths of our schools, and what we would like to improve further. We've visited each other's schools and have loved the project so far!

### **Maths Week**

This week pupils have taken part in a range of activities for Maths Week. The theme for this week was 'Maths in Motion'.









We were measuring how far the planes flew, and measured the distance they went. Callum P6 We learned about turns and angles in hockey. Kai and Lochlan P4



## Masterclasses are back!

The pupils were excited to see the return of Masterclasses this 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: crafts, badminton, zentangle art, challenge time, highland hustle, Lego masters, salt dough and many more. Staff lead these Masterclasses, and this time our School Captains are leading groups too!



We are finding it great leading the art class! Lucy P7





I made a game out of the Lego, and I counted how many bricks I used. I used 48 bricks! Lucas P3





We were making wands out of sticks, wool, feathers and springs! It was fun. Isaac P3

### **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 at 1pm.

### **Christmas Lunch**

Our school Christmas lunch is on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you to those of you who have already completed the form on Parents Portal with your child's lunch choice.

Best wishes,

Mrs Gwen Sinclair Head Teacher

**Dates for your Diary** 



### **NOVEMBER**

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> – P6 trip to Sky Academy Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> – P5 trip to Sky Academy

### **DECEMBER**

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> – P6 Class Assembly 2.15pm (P6 parents invited)
Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> – School Christmas Lunch (letter to follow)
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> - P3 Nativity Show 9.45am (P3 Parents invited)
Friday 15<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Jumper/Dress Down Day (£1 donation if you can)
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> - P5 and 6 Christmas Party 1.00pm
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> - P3 and 4 Christmas Party 1.00pm
Thursday 21st – P1 and 2 Christmas Party 1.00pm
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December – School closes 2.30pm for holidays

# **JANUARY**

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> – School Re-opens