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Brinsley Primary and Nursery School

January 2017
Newsletter

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RSPB

The children from Foundation through to Year 3 have taken part in the RSPB Big Schools Birdwatch. We are pleased to say that even in the wet weather, we collected some great data. The children saw a variety of birds, including blue tits and goldfinches. The RSPB are returning in March, to work with the rest of school to look at the habitats that provide homes for various animals in our grounds.



We have had a great start to 2017 with some amazing activities going on around school. Year 2 children were visited by the RNLI (Royal National Lifeboat Institute). They spent the afternoon learning about lifeboats, water safety and Grace Darling. The FS2 children enjoyed a slumber party for their night topic and the FS1 children have loved playing in their igloo for their ice based theme. All the children are loving their weekly music lessons with our qualified music teacher, Mrs Shepherd.

School Sport News

This half term the children have been training for the Year 5 and Year 6 Futsal tournaments. We had both a boys and a girls team who went and represented the school. Well done to all of the pupils who took part in a very tough competition.

Young Ambassadors

In January the Young Ambassadors have organised a cup stacking competition which took place in golden time on Friday. Reports are in that the children had great fun at the event. Thank you to the Ambassadors for organising it for the children.

Mitchel Hill from Year 6 is representing the Ashfield District at the Nottinghamshire Schools Cross County Championship this weekend. Good luck Mitchel.

Year Groups Attendance figures:

FS2: Since September: 92.82%
This Term: 91.07%
1B: Since September 94.98%
This Term: 95.58%
2P: Since September 94.97%
This Term: 95.88
3C: Since September: 91.31%
This Term: 94.17%
4/5H: Since September: 93.87%
This Term: 93.46%
5/6H: Since September 95.21%
This Term: 96.85%

Overall this year: 93.86%
Well done Class 5/6H, you are in
the lead!

Brinsley British Values

**This month
the children
have been
looking at
'Teamwork'
both in
assemblies
and in class.**

PIZZA MANIA – The 'Design A Pizza' competition from Year 4/5. The winners were Connor Harvey, Scarlett and Freya Richards. They had a fabulous afternoon making their pizzas in the ASDA store for the public to try. The general public decided that 'Meatilicious' by Freya Richards was their overall favourite but it was a tough choice to make.



Winter Writing Competition

Before the Christmas break the children from Years 1 to Year 6 wrote their own winter story. All the children produced wonderful stories which made Mr Heysmonds job very difficult when he had to judge them! The winners were: Naya Sowerby, Kezia Wright, Finley Calladine, Eleanor Redgate, Lily'Mai Willis and Molly Proud. For their hardwork they were taken for afternoon tea at the Mad Hatters Tea Rooms in Kimberley. Well done to all the children.



Recycling Sessions

Children from Year 1-6 have been working with Lydia Powles, the Schools Action Waste Club officer from Nottinghamshire County Council. Before Christmas some classes made decorations from recycled paper, which looked amazing. Then last week some classes have looked at how worms help us to compost waste, and they even got to examine worms up close.

Electronic Organ for Sale

We currently have an electronic organ that is no longer used in school which would love a new home. Please enquire at the office for further details.

SWIMMING VOLUNTEERS

Swimming starts after the February half-term for Year 3 as well as some Year 4, 5 & 6 children. If you can spare Friday afternoons, Mrs Framji and Miss Croft would greatly appreciate your help. Please contact them directly or through the school office, as you will need to undertake a DBS check. Thanks.

Diary Dates

Monday 6 th February 2017	Reading Parent Workshop 3.30pm-5pm
Thursday 9 th February 2017	Valentines Disco
Friday 10 th February 2017	INSET DAY- School Closed
Monday 13 th -Friday 17 th February 2017	School Closed for Half Term
Monday 20 th February 2017	First day back to school
Thursday 2 nd March 2017	World Book Day - details to follow
Wednesday 8 th March 2017	KS1 and 2 Boccia Competition
Monday 13 th March 2017	Holi Class Swap Day
Thursday 16 th March 2017	Film Night
Wednesday 22 nd and Thursday 23 rd March 2017	Parents Evening & Clothing Recycling Day
Friday 24 th March 2017	Red Nose Day - Fundraising
Tuesday 28 th and Wednesday 29 th March 2017	Year 1 & Year 3 Easter Show
Thursday 30 th March 2017	Easter Bonnet Parade & Decorate an Egg Competition
Monday 3 rd April- Monday 17 th April 2017	School Closed for the Easter Holidays
Tuesday 18 th April 2017	First day back to school
Wednesday 17 th May 2017	Sports Day
Wednesday 24 th May 2017	Reserve Sports Day