

BRAYFORD ACADEMY NEWSLETTER LIFE, LOVE AND LEARNING TO THE FULL

22nd March 2024

Dates and key information

School Meals Week Beginning 25th March - <u>RED</u> Juniors ~ £2.53 Infants ~ free

February

- Mon 25th Film Club 3.30-4.15pm
- Tues 26th Quince Honey Farm trip
- Tues 26th– Lego Club 3.30-4.15pm
- Thurs 28th Music Sharing Assembly 2.45pm Village Hall
- Thurs 28th LAST DAY OF TERM

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast club runs daily when required from 7.45am to 8.45am and is available to all children at the cost of £4.00 per child. If you wish your child to eat breakfast they need to arrive before 8.15am. There is support available with the cost if your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium. <u>Please pre-book sessions at</u> <u>least 24 hours before the required</u> <u>session through the school office by</u> <u>email to admin@brayford.devon.sch.uk</u> or alternatively phone 01598 710345. <u>PLEASE NOTE if your child is not</u>

booked in to Breakfast Club they will be unable to attend.



QUINCE HONEY FARM

A reminder that on Tuesday 26th March the whole school will be going to Quince Honey Farm. Please log on to the Arbor App to consent and pay. Thank you.

Dear Parents/Carers,

We had a lovely start to our week with an open morning in the infants. Thank you to our parents for supporting this event and taking part in the activities.

The children were very excited to share their learning with their parents and show them their classroom environment.

The children demonstrated how we start our day with feelings and dance and then we moved onto phonics, reading and art. It was lovely to see parents and children taking part in a football match at playtime too!



The junior children had another exciting morning at Hakeford Woods last Friday. Their activities included dam building, whittling walking sticks and making dens.

Next week we are looking forward to our whole school trip to the Honey Farm on Tuesday. The children will be taking part in a variety of workshops linked to their learning from this term.

We have an exciting trip on Saturday! I am looking forward to taking children to the Exeter Chiefs Experience Day. I am sure we will have lots to share next week.

Have a lovely weekend. Miss Sara Leggott Head of School

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MUSIC SHARING ASSEMBLY

We would like to invite you to our Music Sharing Assembly which is taking place in the Village Hall on Thursday 28th March at 2.45pm. Our Rocksteady bands and Emma's musicians will be performing. Everyone is welcome!





Well Done for receiving a certificate of achievement



Certificate of Achievement

<u>Juniors</u>

Luke - For lovely manners & thanking Stuart at Hakeford.

Lexi-For wonderful focus whittling at Hakeford.

Jax - For pererverance using the flint & stell to make fire at Hakeford.

Infants

Archie- For Working so hard on his sounds.

Oliver B - For being so kind and caring with the Guinea Pigs.

Teddy S - For super listening.

<u>Manchester Marathon PE</u> <u>Challenge</u>

You have 5 weeks to complete **26.2** miles! You can run, walk, swim, cycle or scoot!

Please make sure you write how many miles you have completed each time you take part in the challenge.

Remember... to ask an adult to sign your map each time you complete your miles.

Please bring your map back to school after Easter and we will share our achievements.

Miss Leggott



- If your child is poorly, please report their absence to the school office on 01598 710345 by <u>9.30am.</u>
- All medical appointments are to be advised in advance to the school office.
- Any other absences must be applied for via an absence request form.
- Please supply your child with a refillable drinks bottle every day.
- Warm coats for outdoor play if it's wet or cold!
- Please park considerately in the Village hall car park for drop off and pickups.



The School Office

Emails are only monitored between 8.30am and 12.30pm. If you need to speak to someone urgently, please call the school number 01598 710345. If no one answers, please leave a message and someone will contact you as soon as they can.

Menu w/c 26th March

<u>MONDAY</u>

Pepperoni Pizza V – Cheese & Tomato Pizza Cubed Potatoes & Vegetables Apple Sponge Pudding

<u>TUESDAY</u>

Meatballs & Pasta V – Quorn Meatballs & Pasta Peas & Carrots Scotch Pancakes & Fruit

WEDNESDAY

Roast of the Day V – Vegetarian Roast Roast potatoes & Seasonal Veg Fruit Platter

<u>THURSDAY</u>

Sweet & Sour Chicken V – Macaroni Cheese Rice & Mixed Vegetables Fruit Muffin

FRIDAY

Fish Fingers V – Cheese Omelette Golden Fries, Pea & Carrots Shortbread Biscuit Also available everyday: Jacket potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

> Cost of School Lunches: Infants – Free Juniors - £2.53 per meal

Calendar 2024

Please look out for further details of the following events which have been scheduled for this Summer term. These dates are an indication of what is to come, but may be subject to change as the term progresses and the need arises.

<u>2024</u>

23rd March - Exeter Chiefs Experience Day

26th March - Whole School trip to Quince Honey Farm

28th March - Music Sharing Assembly 2.45pm Village Hall

28th March - LAST DAY OF TERM

These dates are intended as a guide and you will be notified of any changes.

SCHOOL TERM DATES 2023-2024

AUTUMN TERM	SPRING TERM	SUMMER TERM		
FIRST DAY	FIRST DAY	FIRST DAY		
6 th September 2023	3 rd January 2024	15 th April 2024		
HALF TERM	HALF TERM	BANK HOLIDAY		
23rd – 27th October 2023	12th 16th February 2024	6 th May 2024		
LAST DAY	LAST DAY	HALF TERM		
15 th -December 2023	28 th March 2024	27 th – 31 st May 2024		
		NON PUPIL DAY		
		3rd June 2024		
		LAST DAY		
		23 rd July 2024		
		LAST DAY		
		22 nd July 2025		





30 Hours/Working Entitlement Funding

IMPORTANT MESSAGE – DO NOT MISS OUT ON WORKING ENTITLEMENT FUNDING!

The working entitlement funding for 2, 3 and 4 year-olds is available for eligible families. It is important that if you have a child who will be 2 or 3 years old before 31st March or if your circumstances have changed, that you apply to HMRC (Childcare Service) now.

Please set-up or visit your <u>Gateway Account</u> immediately to apply or reconfirm. If you are unsure if you are entitled to the working entitlement, please check the <u>Eligibility Criteria</u>.

It is important that you allow good time as any queries with new applications or reconfirmations could cause delays and any codes issued in April 2024 will not be funded in summer term 2024. Any start dates from 1st April 2024 will not be funded until autumn term 2024 and only then if you reconfirm by 31st August 2024.

If you have a code that needs to be reconfirmed, this should also be completed now, and if you are unsure, it is your responsibility to log into your Gateway Account and check. If you are newly eligible or are given a new code at reconfirmation, you need to take your 11-digit code to your provider who will complete a verification check and then confirm your funded space.

When eligibility ends, children who have accessed the working entitlement can continue to access their entitlement in the grace period. However, new children, who are 2 or 3 years old before 31st March, or start at a new setting, cannot start to use the working entitlement funding in the grace period if they are no longer eligible.

As part of the eligibility check with HMRC, you will be asked if you would like to register for Tax Free Childcare. You cannot register for Tax Free Childcare if you are in receipt of Universal Credit, Tax Credits or Childcare Vouchers. If you do register, your benefits may be stopped, and it can take several weeks to reinstate.

If you have problems accessing the system or completing your check, please call the HMRC Helpdesk on 0300 1234 097 (your provider and Devon County Council cannot assist with new applications or reconfirmations).

You may be able to access further help with childcare costs. Please visit the <u>Childcare Choices Website</u> for more information.







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www.castlehilldevon.co.uk

ORTS & EDUCATION Easter Activity days **Tuesday 2nd April** Wednesday 3rd April **Thursday 4th April** 5-11 Years old **Tuesday 9th April** Wednesday 10th April **Thursday 11th April**

Venue: Sticklepath Primary school EX31 2HH

TIME: 8.30am-3.30pm

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Ages:

To book: • Visit - www.primary-sports.co.uk Click on the "Book now tab" "Sticklepath EASTER activity days" •Complete the online booking form

Contact us: north.devon@primary-sports.co.uk





Thurs 4th Apr Braunton Mon 8th Apr Braunton Locations

Barnstaple Braunton

Park Lane Tennis Club, Rock Park, EX32 9AH Braunton Tennis Club, Wrafton Road, EX33 2BP

To book email: bookings@devonshiretennisacade <u>my.com</u>

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