



# Bromesberrow News

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Welcome back to Bromesberrow to all our children and families and a special warm welcome to our new reception children. We have had no tears from any of our new children – definitely a first so well done to all of our four year olds.

In the mornings, the teaching staff will be on the playground from 8.50am. This is a very brief time to be available to all the parents and children, so if you would like to speak to the teaching staff please make an appointment for after school with them. Mrs Thompson will also be available in the playground if needed.

## Launch – Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 9.05am

Please come and join us for our alternative to Achievement Assemblies. We welcome parents, family and friends to come and share in our learning. Mrs Hankins will greet you on the playground and will take you down to the school hall, where the launch will begin! The children are working this week to prepare an exciting taster of their work in school-we are hoping for music, art and creativity! There will be refreshments for parents afterwards too, being served in the school hall- a great chance for a coffee and chat.

On the 26<sup>th</sup> November at the same time (9.05), there will be a follow up Celebration event, which will enable the children to showcase what they have learnt over the term. Please pop this date in your diaries!

## Communication

Newsletters will be monthly from now on and we hope to include more of the children's achievements in these, with some photos to share. Please look to the calendar on the school website, which will be updated regularly to reflect any changes in the meantime. We will also use teachers2parents text messaging services to share last minute updates. Our school Facebook Page is also a good information source, so please pay us a visit.

## Luna the Dog

There has been a lot of research as to the benefit of animals in school and the impact they can have in supporting children's mental health and wellbeing. With this in mind, Miss Thornley is going to be bringing Luna the dog into school on Thursdays and Fridays. Please if you or your child has any concerns regarding Luna in school, please get in touch. The school have carefully risk assessed Luna being in school and Luna is part of the guide dog breeding programme, so is very well trained and has a lovely gentle nature.



### Term Dates/Term Time School Holidays

We have attached the list of term dates for 2019-20 with the inset days (no pupils in school) marked in red. Please note that the Government has now changed the May Bank Holiday and is now on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May. If you are already lucky enough to be planning your summer holidays for 2020, the start of the school term will be on Thursday the 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

These holidays are now the same as Herefordshire schools making it easier to book holidays for children with siblings in Herefordshire Schools. Please be aware that Gloucestershire County Council will be issuing fines for persistent holiday absence. If your child is going to be absent because of illness please ring the school in person. Please do not give the message to another parent, bus driver or sibling. Should you need to take your child out of school for any other reason, please request a form to be filled in and returned to the office.

### Class 3

Miss Mison would like all the children in her class to bring a picture to school of themselves from when they were 3 years or younger as part of our Launch event on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September.

### Minibus

The timings for the minibus have been revised and apologies for the many things that went wrong to contribute to the lateness of the bus in Ledbury yesterday. As you can see, the bus timings have to be quite rigid in order for us to get everywhere within the time, so please be mindful that these are times that we will need to leave the bus stop in order to keep things on track for the next stop. If you are not at the stop, the bus driver has been asked to carry on with the journey. If it is a homeward bound trip then your child will be brought back to school and we will expect you to pick them up from school setting.

Mornings (times that the bus will be LEAVING the stop)			Afternoons (times that the bus will be LEAVING the stop)	
Deer Park	8.15		Bromesberrow Heath	3.15
Homebase	8.25		Dymock	3.20
School	8.35-8.40		School	3.30-3.40
Bromesberrow Heath	8.45		Deer Park	3.50
Dymock	8.50		Homebase	4.00

### Dates for the Diary:

Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> September	First day for all pre-schoolers.
w/c 9 <sup>th</sup> September	After School Clubs begin
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> September	Launch Event (9.05am)
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Festival 2.30pm
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	Celebration Event (9.05)

# Bromesberrow Friends Group (BFG)

Our mission statement:

*“Bromesberrow Friends Group exists to bring parents and staff together with a common goal; to help make Bromesberrow School the best it can be. We will arrange events and activities that raise funds for equipment and projects in school to enhance the education of the pupils and organise social events for the enjoyment of the pupils, their families and the wider community”.*

Bromesberrow Friends Group is open to all parents/carers of children attending Bromesberrow School and Pre-School. Our recent events included movie night, Smartie Tube coins, a sponsored read, clothes collection, Easter bingo, afternoon tea and book sale. These fundraising efforts have enabled us to purchase new books for all the classrooms, a new projector and screen for the school hall.

We rely on volunteers to organise and support these events and we need your help.

Mrs Carpenter would like to arrange a BFG meeting and would like to know what time would be best for parents. Please complete the form below and return to school by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September or check out the poll on the school Facebook page. We will then arrange our first meeting of the term to organise events and dates.

Thank you.

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Name.....

I would like to support Bromesberrow Friends Group.

I would prefer to attend a meeting on:

Tuesday 2.30pm-3.10pm

Wednesday 6pm-7pm

I am not able to attend either meeting but would still like to be involved

## Clubs

All the afterschool clubs for children in Yr1 – Yr6 start next week (9<sup>th</sup> September). Please see the attached list. We would expect that after signing up for the club the children should attend regularly. If for any reason your child cannot attend please call school to let us know.

Monday	Tuesday		Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Team Bees	Tinkering & Woodwork		Sports Club	Recorders	Choir	Netball
<b>3.10pm - 4pm</b>	<b>3.10pm - 4pm</b>		<b>3.10pm - 4pm</b>	<b>Lunchtime</b>	<b>3.10pm - 4pm</b>	<b>3.10pm - 4pm</b>
<b>Yr1-Yr6</b>	<b>Yr 3 - Y6</b>		<b>Y1 - Y6</b>	<b>Y2 -Y6</b>	<b>Y2 -Y6</b>	<b>Yr3 - Yr6</b>
Henry	Isobel	w/c 4.11.19 to Christma s	Henry	Alisha	Evie	Evie
Sean	Alisha		Sean	Isabella	Isobel	Isobel
Riley	Sophie		Riley	Sophie	Alisha	Alisha
Sophie	Florrie		Taya	Wiktorina	Sophie	Sophie
Jim	Ollie	w/c 9.9.19 to half term	Isabella	James D	Florrie	Milo
Benji	Marshall		Dominic	Seb	Alyssa	Florrie
Ted	Jasmine		Jim		Wiktorina	Ollie
Ollie	Joseph		Benji		James D	Jasmine
Marshall			Milo		Alice	Joseph
Joseph			Ted		Grace	Grace
Wiktorina			Ollie		Chloe	Alice
Max W			Joseph			Archie C
Seb			Ava Toman			
Chloe			Max W			
			Seb			
			Archie C			
			Max P			
			Harley			