

# Brize Norton

## Primary School

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Dear Parents,

### **CONGRATULATIONS ON A MAGNIFICENT PERFORMANCE**

I cannot say enough how proud I am of our Year 5 and 6 children for their performance of The Tempest yesterday. They worked hard, supported each other, acted with enthusiasm and really wowed the very large audience: I had a lot of positive comments from parents from the other two schools taking part.

### **REMEMBRANCE THANKS**

Thank you to the children and parents who came to the village Remembrance tea party on Sunday to read their reflections on life in the First World War. Many of the people there were visibly moved by the children's writing. Once again I was proud to be part of a school whose children behave so maturely, politely and confidently.

### **SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS**

The individual school photographs have now arrived and will be going home today. If you would like to order them, please reply by 23rd November or a late fee will apply.

### **DISCO**

Thank you once again to our fabulous School Association. The Halloween Disco was great fun for everybody and we raised £292.75 towards our new iPads!

### **MRS RAE**

I am really sorry to have to announce that, after 18 years (we think) as a teacher at this school, Mrs Rae will be leaving our regular staff at Christmas. The good news is that she will carry on working with us as our Forest School teacher on Monday and Tuesday afternoons.

From January 2019, Miss Burn will be working five mornings a week so will teach Year 6 every morning. This frees up Miss Kerr to teach Year 4/5 on Monday mornings as well as Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. On Tuesday mornings (when Miss Kerr does not work), I will teach the class for Literacy and Mrs Bostock (supported by Miss Kearvell, Mrs Deegan and the new teaching assistant we will be appointing next week) for Mathematics. I am confident that the children in both affected classes will continue to learn well under this arrangement but I am happy to discuss it with you if you have any concerns.

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### MRS SINCLAIR

Mrs Sinclair, who is now teaching some of the week in the Buccaneers and will be covering Mrs Winter's sickness absence, has written a little letter introducing herself to parents:

*As I will be joining the teaching team on a more regular basis I would like to take the opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Claire Sinclair and I have been a teacher for over 10 years. I am qualified to teach all the primary year groups but also specialise in the early years.*

*I am very passionate about teaching and feel very lucky to have the opportunity to help children learn about the world around them and develop the skills to find their feet within that. My teaching style is fun and creative. I am a firm believer in letting children learn through experiences whilst having fun.*

*I have three children aged 6, 5 and 3. We are a part of the RAF family and have lived in the area for the last 10 years. As a family we enjoy exploring the outdoors and being active. I was previously the head of PE in a very large primary school and I believe a fit and healthy body can help to support a positive approach to learning. I have a degree in music (playing piano, saxophone and clarinet) and enjoy incorporating this into lessons too.*

*I am very excited to be joining Brize Norton School and have already been made to feel so welcome by your children and the staff. Please do come and say hello as I look forward to getting to know you too.*

### NEW ON THE WEBSITE THIS WEEK

Buccaneers page <http://www.brizeprimary.org/class/1> - Scroll down to see Diwali celebrations, Minibeasts and two sets of photographs of the RAF Brize Norton trip

Hurricanes page <http://www.brizeprimary.org/class/2> - Dinotastic Forest School at RAF Brize Norton trip

School Remembrance commemoration <http://www.brizeprimary.org/about/wholeschoolevents>

Year 5/6 performing at the village Remembrance tea party <http://www.brizeprimary.org/class/4>

### EVENTS NEXT WEEK

Unbelievably, we have a relatively quiet week next week! We are interviewing for our new teaching assistant on Monday. Friday is the Year 3 and 4 sharing assembly and parent workshop at 9.00. See you there!

Best wishes  
Anna Fairhurst

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### Dates for the Autumn Term

Fri 23 Nov – Y3/4 sharing assembly

Thurs 29 Nov – full governors

Fri 30 Nov – Buccaneers sharing assembly

Sat 1 Dec – Christmas craft morning

Wed 5 Dec – Y5/6 mixed football

Thurs 6 Dec – Cokethorpe Y4/5 girls hockey

Christmas festival

Fri 7 Dec – KS1 trip to Roves Farm; Y5/6

Sharing Assembly; Christmas bake-off and bazaar

Tues 11 Dec – am Y4 Dance festival; all day house captains' Christmas disco

Thurs 13 Dec – whole-school pantomime trip (Aladdin at Chipping Norton Theatre)

Fri 14 Dec – parent celebration assembly, 2.15

Mon 17 Dec – afternoon and evening KS1 production

Tues 18 Dec – afternoon and evening KS2 production

Wed 19 Dec – evening KS2 production

Thurs 20 Dec – Christmas dinner

Fri 21 Dec – 10.00 am carol service; term ends 1.15