

Brize Norton

Primary School

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10th September 2021

Dear Parents,

SCHOOL GARDEN

Today we started using our school garden! The garden area has been derelict for several years. Mrs Sutherland, her husband Barry and a large team of volunteers (including Mr Woollard, Mrs Leeming and volunteers from RAF Brize Norton) have put huge amounts of work into making it usable again: please do have a look when you are next in the playground. Thank you very much to everyone who has helped, and I can't wait to see things growing in there again.

STAFF CHANGES

After eighteen years in the school, Miss Sophie Kerr will be leaving us at Christmas. She has taught generations of Brize Norton children; I will really miss her enthusiasm and her absolute devotion to the children in her class. However, she has dreamed of being an Art specialist for a long time and opportunities like that don't come along very often, so I wish her good luck – she certainly deserves it. This means that we are now recruiting for an experienced Year 5/6 teacher and Maths leader. I am pleased that we have had quite a bit of interest already, so hopefully I will be able to tell you soon who we have chosen.

At the start of October, Miss Lisa Winter will be moving to Wiltshire to be nearer her family. Lisa has been in the school for seven years, working diligently behind the scenes and making sure everything runs smoothly. We will all miss her. We will be advertising for an administrative assistant OR a teaching assistant to replace her, so if you know anyone who might be interested, please ask them to have a look at our website next week.

MISS REYNOLDS

Unfortunately, Miss Reynolds needs to have another week of recovery time. I am grateful to Miss Williams, who has helped the children have an excellent start to the year and has agreed to stay with us next week. Miss Reynolds is working as hard as she can to get back with us soon.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Our Harvest Festival will take place at St Britius' Church on Friday 24th September. Because of the high levels of Covid locally, we will not be inviting parents this year; I really hope infections drop soon and we can invite parents to join us at other events. However, we will all walk to the church, have a talk from Rev. Howard and add donations of non-perishable food items to the display by the altar; once Harvest is over, the church will take the donations to Besom, supporting people in poverty in the local area.

ATLAS CAMPS

I am really pleased to be able to tell you that Atlas Camps will be coming back to Brize Norton. They have arranged to come every holiday except Christmas, and will be here all of the October half term. Bookings are open if you would like a place for your child: <https://atlas camps.co.uk/brize-norton/index.php>

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YEAR 6 PE

Mrs Rae has asked that Year 6 children please wear a mouth guard for their hockey lessons on Wednesday if at all possible – just in case!

LOST PROPERTY

A blue Joules bag was found last term with some pink waterproof trousers and matching coat. It is in very good condition and we would like it to be returned to its owner. Please contact the office to claim it.

NEW ON THE WEBSITE THIS WEEK

Whole-School Events: iRock assembly <https://brizeprimary.org/about/wholeschoolevents>

Buccaneers: First day, Italian and making new friends <https://brizeprimary.org/class/1>

Hurricanes: Welcome new Hurricanes <https://brizeprimary.org/class/2>

Hercules: Welcome back, first Forest School and time to dance <https://brizeprimary.org/class/3>

Best wishes
Anna Fairhurst

DATES FOR THE AUTUMN TERM 2021

Mon 13th Sept – cycling proficiency for Year 6;
first Forest School for Buccaneers; first brass
music lessons for Y4 - 6

Sun 19th Sept – Brize Norton village bash

Tues 21st Sept – Local Governing Body
meeting

Fri 24th Sept – Harvest Festival in church

Thurs 30th Sept – partnership cross country
competition

Thurs 7th Oct – Y1, 2 and 3 PE fun afternoon

Mon 11th Oct – Y5/6 girls' football competition

w/b 18th Oct – parents' evenings this week
Thurs 21st Oct – in-person parents' evenings
Fri 22nd Oct – Parent Celebration Assembly

w/b 25th Oct – half term

Tues 9th Nov – flu immunization

Thurs 11th Nov – Remembrance ceremony
Fri 12th Nov – Hurricanes sharing assembly

Tues 16th Nov – Local Governing Body
meeting

Fri 19th Nov – Hercules sharing assembly

Fri 26th Nov – Falcons sharing assembly

Fri 3rd Dec – Voyagers sharing assembly

Mon 6th Dec – Boccia competition

Tues 7th Dec – Y1 – 3 Christmas production

Wed 8th Dec – Y1 – 3 Christmas production;
final swimming for Years 4 and 5

Thurs 9th Dec – Governors' Performance and
Learning committee; Y4 – 6 Christmas
concert

Fri 10th Dec – Buccaneers Nativity play

Tues 14th Dec – Carol service in church;
Christmas dinner

Fri 17th Dec – Final assembly with parent
celebration assembly; term ends 1.15pm