



BRADY NEWSLETTER

20th November 2020

Dear Parents,

I cannot believe that the term is rolling through so fast, we are now just days away from December and the September full re-opening seems like a distance memory. I would like to thank all of the children and parents for helping the school to stay as safe for the children, staff and parents as it has. I hope that you all know I will only ask something if I feel it is in the best interest for everyone.

As we enter the festive period, it is going to look very different in school to how it has previously. We will still ensure that the children enjoy the festive period and we have taken the decision to complete both the Carol Concert and the Nativity virtually via videos on the website this year. December 11th will be Christmas Jumper day keeping the tradition going and if the children continue to be as outstanding as they have we may even have a socially distanced visit from Santa.

Despite entering the festive period, we need to continue to stay vigilant and stay faithful to the processes that have got us this far. We know that the numbers in Havering continue to rise and we need to ensure that we all act responsibly as a result. If we do that I hope that as families we will all get the chance to celebrate Christmas with loved ones, providing the Government deem it safe to do so.

Michael Nunn
Headteacher

Building Works

As you would have seen, over the past week or so, the building works are now drawing to a close. All of the internal work has been complete for a few weeks now, and only external work on the new AstroTurf pitch and the new fencing and gates is to be completed.

What it now means, is that we have a state of the art building with some of the very best learning environments in the borough. We have been hugely lucky to have this completed for us at a cost of over £3,000,000, and it will positively impact the children of Brady for years to come.

The final touches to the outside will be complete before we reach the Christmas break and the children will then get the chance to enjoy these elements as well.

I would like to thank all of the Brady Community for how well you have all coped with the changes. It has caused little disruption to the children other than pick up and drop off times which has always been the aim of the leadership team. Hopefully when life returns to a bit more normality we will have the chance to open the school up to parents as well to come in and have a tour.

Free School Meal Information

If you think your child is entitled to Free School Meals from September, please apply online ASAP at:

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Below are the criteria

- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (not Working Tax Credit), with an annual income below £16,190
- Employment and Support Allowance, income related
- Support under part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act, 1999
- Working Tax Credit run-on, paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit, with a household income of £7,400 or less (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

ALLERGIES

Just a reminder that we are a nut free school and children's packed lunches **should not contain** any nuts. This includes chocolate spread.

DIARY DATES

- 1.12.2020**- Virtual parents evening day 1
- 2.12.2020**- Flu Immunisation R-Yr 6
- 2.12.2020**- Virtual parents evening day 2
- 9.12.2020**- Christmas Dinner day
- 11.12.2020**- Christmas Jumper Day
- 16.12.2020**- Virtual Carol Service video available
- 16.12.2020**- Virtual Nativity video available

INSETS DAYS

(School closed)

Monday 4th January 2021

Tuesday 18th May

Friday 23rd July