

HERE COMES THE SUN

"He who is not courageous enough to take risks will accomplish nothing in life." (Muhammad Ali)

Head Teacher Message

Welcome back to school for our final half term of the year. I do hope you have had a relaxing and enjoyable break, and are ready for an action-packed and fun-filled 6 weeks ahead!

At the start of our academic year I posed a question in the September edition of the Brady Bulletin, "What roots are we nurturing and tending to at Brady?" Values such as trust, respect, kindness and hope have been consistently referred to throughout the year as part of our Deep Roots ethos. I am constantly reminded of what an amazing place Brady is, and how proud to be a part of it I am. This was echoed by a group of headteacher visitors I showed around the school a few weeks ago. "What an outstanding learning environment for the pupils." and, "The pupils here are lovely, it's amazing to see such togetherness." were just some of the comments aired. The small school ethos, which is enhanced by the close knit community make Brady stand out as a distinctive place to learn and be.

Other values of determination, confidence, and focus were also highlighted as important in being part of our Deep Roots. The example of our Year 6 pupils during their SATs week, and the Year 2 pupils in their tests have underlined how much these values are embedded and part of everyday life at Brady. Well done to all involved, from the staff to the pupils and the adults at home.

Jon Bishop

As the weather starts to heat up, so do the events as you can see from the monthly diary dates! A few particular highlights during the coming weeks are:



The Friends of Brady (FOB) annual **SUMMER FETE** will be held on 2nd July (11am - 3pm). It is always a fabulous event and well supported. Come and enjoy the stalls and activities (I have heard a much loved teacher may even be involved in 'Sponge the adult'). Following on from the May edition of the Brady Bulletin, the FOB will be holding a coffee drop-in at the start of school for those interested in finding out how to become more involved in partnering with the school and working with the FOB next year. A date will follow shortly.



Due to the huge success of the Fathers and Mothers Day breakfasts in the past year, we'll be holding our next **FATHERS DAY BREAKFAST** on Friday 17th June at 8am, make sure you have your tickets purchased in advance.



Over the final half term all year groups are holding class **ASSEMBLIES**, and inviting parents to attend and view the learning that is taking place in class. An opportunity to see your child's work in books will follow immediately after the assembly. As part of the initiative to involve the wider community in our learning and engage in discussion, we'll be restarting our **LEARNING SNAPSHOTS** for the final 6 weeks. Keep an eye out for these on the website...

DATES for JUNE**Year 5 Transition meeting**

- Wednesday 8th (6pm)

Finance governors meeting

- Thursday 9th (7.30am)

BRICS - Making music

- Friday 10th (pm)

PHONICS screening check

- 13th -17th

Y3 Natural History Museum

- Wednesday 15th

Full Governing Body

- Wednesday 15th (6pm)

Y3 Assembly to parents

- Thursday 16th (9am)

Y1 Assembly to parents

- Thursday 16th (2.30pm)

Fathers Day breakfast

- Friday 17th (8am)

SCHOOL CLOSED**(EU referendum - polling)**

- Thursday 23rd

BRICS - Maths fun

- Friday 24th (pm)

Y6 - Isle of Wight trip

- 27th - 1st July

Leadership & Management governors

- Wednesday 29th (6pm)

Saturday 2nd July**FOB - Summer Fete****BACK PLAYGROUND**

Over the next few weeks the playground markings are being painted. Can I remind parents that pupils are to be dropped off by 8.45am at their allocated area, and then can all adults stand around the perimeter of the playground in order to keep the pupil area clear. This helps teachers in viewing their class and ensuring a safe start to the day. The same is applicable at the end of the day. Can the adults collecting pupils wait around the perimeter until the class teacher has allowed your child to go. Thank you for your cooperation.

ATTENDANCE

With recent news regarding school attendance, can I remind parents that school attendance is compulsory. Please try to take holidays during the school holidays (fines will be applied where holidays are taken during term time). If you have been on holiday and fail to return your child to school on the date agreed because they were ill, medical evidence will be required. Days lost due to absence inevitably affects pupil attainment and at Brady we value every day of learning.

**PARKING**

A reminder that we work hard at maintaining a positive relationship with our neighbours, therefore your assistance in parking sensibly is appreciated. As parking directly outside the school gates is very limited, consider parking further down the street and walking to the school gate. The best option for most children is of course, to walk to school if you live close by.

OFFICE COMMUNICATION

Just a reminder about the procedure for reporting a child's absence. Please contact the office on the first day of a child's absence. A message can be left on the answer phone stating the child's name, year group, and a brief description of the reason for the absence. When a child returns, a letter of explanation (signed and dated by the parent/carer) must be provided. Alternatively, report the absence via our website. Since it is not possible to be certain of the originator of an e-mail message, the school is unable to accept an e-mail as parental authorisation of a pupil absence.

