

Broughton Primary School Newsletter.



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our Term 2 newsletter. As the weather starts to get colder and wetter I would like to take this opportunity to remind all parents/carers that children should come to school equipped for the winter weather wearing appropriate waterproof jackets, hats and scarves etc. Our pupils need to be appropriately dressed for playtimes and lunchtimes as we do strive to ensure that they get outside as much as is possible and only in extreme weather keep them inside.

P6b

Following interviews before the October break, Ms Judges has been appointed as the full time teacher for P6b moving forward. Ms Judges will be able to start as soon as the recruitment process is complete, which we are pursuing as quickly as we can at school level. Meanwhile Ms Judges does plan to visit the class before she starts her new role.

Broughton Head Teacher interviews

The permanent Head Teacher post for Broughton is currently advertised on My Job Scotland. We are all very excited to see who our new Head Teacher will be (due to personal reasons, I will not be applying for the post, but I am looking forward to taking up my DHT role again). Once the final interviews have taken place I will let you know about the successful candidate.

Communication

Groupcall is our main method of communicating with families. Please can you make sure that if there are any changes to your contact details that you notify the school office directly. We also have a text alert service using our registration system which allows us to send texts directly to mobile phones. When we send a text, it will begin the message '**From BPS**'.



All newsletters are also posted on our school website. Please sign up on the website for new notification alerts.

www.Broughtonprimary.org

We also share up to date news on what is happening in school on our twitter feed.

[@Broughton_PS](https://twitter.com/Broughton_PS)

I would also like to remind parents/carers that if you wish to speak with a member of the Senior Leadership Team then an appointment must be made at the school office. Any email correspondence should also be sent to the school admin address and not directly to our personal mailboxes.

admin@broughton-pri.edin.sch.uk

This will ensure that we do not miss anything important. As you can imagine we are a very busy school and it is difficult to manage communication effectively if there are too many channels of communication.

Behaviour

We are currently reviewing our positive behaviour policy in school. The new policy will be shared with the children at assembly next week and they will be given the opportunity to feedback to their class Pupil Council representative. We then plan to launch the new policy on Tuesday 6th November at assembly. This will also include a parent/carer information leaflet emailed home. We have taken into account any parent/carer feedback we have received regarding behaviour both in school and in the playground. We hope you will support our new policy in order for all children at Broughton to :

Be **safe** in school

Behave with **respect** in school

Have the right to **learn** in school



Children in Need

This year's Children In Need event is on **Friday 16th November**. Broughton Primary will, as always, be joining in the fun, and our Pupil Council have come up with the ideas for our involvement. **Our whole school will have a dress down day, for which a donation of £1 is kindly requested.** Linking to the theme, pupils can either come wearing something spotty, or something yellow. They are also organising for each class to have a short danceathon on the morning of Friday 16th November. Thanks in advance for your support, and let's hope we can raise a lot of money for a very worthy cause.

PSA News

A big thank you to the PSA for organising such fantastic Halloween discos!

Term Date Reminder

School closes for the Christmas holidays on **Friday 21st December** at 12 noon and re-opens for pupils on **Wednesday 9th January 2019**.



Friday 9th November – PSA Fundraising Meeting
Friday 16th November – Dress Down Day for Children in Need
Wednesday 21st November – Parent Council Meeting
Friday 7th December – PSA Christmas Café
Friday 21st December – School closes at 12 noon
Tuesday 8th January – In-service Day for staff only
Wednesday 9th January – All pupils resume
***Further Christmas Activity dates will follow**

Samantha Rushforth, Acting Head Teacher