



*Be Ready, Be Respectful Be Safe 'To believe, achieve, succeed together.'*

**NEWSLETTER – FRIDAY 8<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023**

**Value of the Term: CHARITY**

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

Welcome back everyone and an especially warm welcome to our new families in Reception and Nursery who have joined. We also welcome Ms. Hassan and Miss Lake who are now a part of the staff team! I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer and had some opportunities to make memories with family and friends. It has been busy in school during this time. Whilst the flood damage in Puddleducks had been fixed it brought to light another issue with damp so Puddleducks relocated into school whilst that work was carried out. In the Burrow the floor was laid, skirting done and now it looks like an amazing learning space. Due to not having that space any longer to use we invested in a metal shed (if only they are delivered built!) and this took many staff and our Chair of Governors many hours to build! We also have had a cabin delivered which is our new small group space, meeting room, intervention space etc! Staff have worked incredibly hard to get things ready and really demonstrate their dedication.

*Competition: What should we call this new cabin space? We have the Burrow and the Treehouse? If children can send me names through, we can have a vote!*

We have had a super three days where we have settled into our new class routines, reacquainted ourselves with staff and pupils and had some great fun learning too! As you will be aware we are reading as a whole school the story Thunderstorms and Rainbows which is based on the fictional town of Trickle. It has such opportunity for so much learning, we are squeezing as much as we can into 8 days! The water session up at the village playing field was huge fun and helped the children further get engaged with the learning and provide a lasting memory! Next Friday we would like to share with you our work and may even have a few other things to offer as well!

Year 6 have taken on their new responsibility at the top of the school tremendously and are fulfilling their new roles as part of our pupil leadership team. As the weeks progress there will be many more opportunities. Today I managed to capture them all with their key item and the photos are now displayed in the entrance.

We have already begun to explore our value this term of charity and children today explored which charity their class would like to support over the year.

There are a number of attachments to this week's newsletter which share about the work and events due to take place this term. We have detailed an overview of the calendar up until Christmas, although I am sure that much more will still be added. Miss Curtis and I are attending a PE meeting next week where can share some definite details surrounding the PE events coming up both in the cluster and in the South Northamptonshire partnership as well as information about transport.

*Have a lovely 'warm' weekend.*

*Mrs. Sarah Smith*

**Diary – WB 11<sup>th</sup> September**

**Monday**

Nick Planas starting woodwind lessons.

**Tuesday**

7pm FGB

**Wednesday**

8.45am Ash Swimming lesson 1

**Thursday**

**Friday**

9am VIP assembly 1

10am Head Pupils to Brackley Museum opening

2.30pm Thunderstorms and Rainbows Share

**Pupil Data Form** Next week you will receive a pupil data form to check. ALL forms need returning either signed as being accurate or updated accordingly.

**PTFA** Please find today a PTFA update newsletter.

They work tirelessly behind the scenes on many different aspects. Any support you can offer would be greatly appreciated in a variety of ways!

**Class Emails** – we have class emails that we as a school are happy that you use to contact teachers on. However, it is important you understand that an immediate response is not always possible nor realistic and ask you give 24 working hours before chasing a response.

**Attachments:**

Flu vaccine – Wednesday

Ash Swimming – Thursday

Dates

Clubs

Class letters and curriculum maps

Homework grids

**Brackley Library Reading Challenge** - We have had 29 pupils from Croughton sign up this year and at this point, 9 have come in to receive their rewards. As we're nearing the end of this year's challenge (Saturday 9th September) please do go and collect your rewards. We shall celebrate those who have completed this in a VIP assembly. There is also finishers party at the library tomorrow with lots of different activities taking place.

**Safeguarding** - Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.  
**Designated Safeguarding Lead – Mrs S. Smith**  
**Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead – Mrs K. Green**  
**Governor Responsible for Safeguarding – Mrs C. Barrett**

**Attendance Figure** -  
for the whole school this  
academic year: 96.1%

**RAAC** – this has been widely discussed in the media. I confirm this is NOT present in our school