



Brownmead Academy Newsletter

'A school community that empowers and inspires all to reach beyond their potential'

*"How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a **single moment** before starting to **improve the world**."*
Anne Frank



Autumn Term no.1



Dates for your Diary

29th September	Macmillan Coffee Morning	9:15am
2nd October	Year 1 Inspire Workshop—Maths	9:15am
3rd October	Year 2 Inspire Workshop—Maths	9:15am
4th October	Year 3 Inspire Workshop—Maths	9:15am
9th October	Assessment Week Starts	NA
9th October	Year 4 Inspire Workshop—Maths	9:15am
9th October	Reception Eye Tests	
10th October	Year 5 Inspire Workshop—Maths	9:15am
11th October	Year 6 Inspire Workshop—Maths/SATs	9:15am
12th October	Year 2KR-Class Assembly	9:15am
16th October	REC to Year 4 Flu Jabs	
17th October	Parent Evening	4.00pm
18th October	Individual and family photos	
18th October	Parent Evening	4:00pm
20th October	School breaks up for half term	
30th October	Children return to school	
2nd November	Year 2MA-Class Assembly	9:15am
6th November	Reception Inspire Workshop	3:00pm
7th November	New Reception 2018 Open Day	10:00am
8th November	New Reception 2018 Open Day	10:00am
8th November	Year 1KR-Class Assembly	9:15am
9th November	Year 1SB—Class Assembly	9:15am
20th November	Road Safety Week	NA
21st November	Year 6 Heights and weights	
29th November	Year 4-Class Assembly	9.15am
1st December	School Closed	NA
4th December	School Closed	NA
5th December	Assessment Week	NA
5th December	Dragonflies Arts/Crafts Inspire	2:30pm
5th December	Year 6 Reading and Writing SATs Inspire	9:15am
6th December	Bumble Bees Arts/Craft Inspire	2:30pm
15th December	Christmas Enterprise Fayre	2:00pm
16th December	Christmas Panto—2 Performances	TBC
18th December	Reception Christmas Nativity	2:00pm
19th December	Reception Christmas Nativity	9.15am
21st December	Class Christmas Parties	
22nd December	Children break up for Christmas	12:30pm

Please note that the Christmas Nativity on 19th December is at 9.15am not 2.30pm as previously stated.

Also the Open Days on the 7th and 8th November are for parents of children starting in September 2018.



It's great to see everyone back safe and sound! I hope you all had a fantastic Summer, even if the tans are fading. Brownmead continues to successfully grow and you will notice changes beginning to happen this term. We are due to break ground on the new build in December and this will give us an additional 6 classrooms. We will work closely with our partner schools across the Washwood Heath Multi-Academy Trust to ensure that what we offer our children and families is the best it can be. A focus for us this year, is to continue to involve parents in the learning. Hopefully, you have had all of the INSPIRE workshop dates, which we have timetabled for the year. This is your chance to come in to school and work with your children. Our first focus is around Maths.

I wish everyone all the best for the coming year.

Welcome to our new staff



At the start of this new year, we welcome our new teachers to Brownmead. Mrs Jones, Miss St Ledger and Miss Anderton have settled well into Year 4,3 and 2 respectively. They are joined by Teaching Assistants, Miss Davies (Year 1) and Miss Ricketts (Y5). We wish the staff a continued happy career at Brownmead, working with your wonderful children.

Twitter



Please remember that we have a twitter account that is used to share the great things we do as a school, as well as give information.
@_Brownmead

ATTENDANCE GRAND PRIX 2017-18



This years Attendance Grand Prix started again last week
Congratulations to the following Years for their excellent attendance.

Week ending 15th September - Year 2R and Year 2A for 99.5% and 98.9% respectively.

Last weeks total attendance was 96.5%

Keep going everyone !



The PTA continue to work hard to raise additional funding for the school. Please remember that we have our Friday Tuck Shop available after school in the blue hut on the field. If any of our new parents would like to help with PTA please let the office know and we can put you in touch.



As you will be aware, we have had a great deal of success communicating with parents around the learning that your children take part in, on a daily basis. As part of our commitment to improving communications we are moving to Class Dojo. We believe that this system offers a better service for parents and it links really well to our house point system (Brownmead Value Points). Class teachers are already sharing activities through the class stories section and you can also see how well your child is achieving BVP points in school. Please look out for the letter that tells you how to log on. Staff will no longer be using Homeroom, so please do not use this to communicate.



At the moment we are offering 3 clubs. On a Wednesday we have a tag rugby club for Y3/4 run by Coventry Rugby Club and a Multi-Skills club for Y5/6, run by Aspire. On Thursday Aspire will also run a Multi-Skills club for Y3/4. School staff are in the process of organising additional after school clubs across the age range so please look out for these!

Please note that all clubs finish at 4.30pm and any children attending will need to be collected by an adult.



Macmillan Coffee Morning

We will be holding a coffee and cake morning on Friday 29th September from 9.15am until 10.15am. We would be delighted if parents would offer to bring in cakes. If you do make your own, please make sure that the ingredients are listed - we would be most grateful for any donations.

Please come along and but your own cakes (or others) so that we can raise lots of money for this fantastic charity.



End of the day

We have tried a number of different things to ensure that all the children are dismissed safely at the end of the day. Year 5 and 6 will be dismissed from their classrooms from now on. Can I ask all parents and carers to stay out of the yellow box. If you are coming from EYFS or Y5/6, please walk around. Can I also ask that parents DO NOT come and take their children. Please wait until your child reaches the teacher at the front of the line. This may take a little longer but it does ensure that we know all children have been collected and are safe.

Website

Please remember to log on to the website for information regarding curriculum and dates for the diary.

School Photos



Academy Photography will be in school on Wednesday 18th October taking individual and family photos. A letter will be sent home shortly with details of family appointments.

Mr Newman - Assistant Head Teacher says:

Don't worry about failures, worry about the chances you miss when you don't even try.

