



## Broomley First School

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Our overall attendance this week was

**98.1%**



**Well done everyone! Keep up the good work everyone!**

### SCHOOL UPDATES



#### MY CHILD AT SCHOOL APP TO REPLACE PARENTMAIL

After Easter, we will be using a new messaging and online payments system called My Child At School (MCAS). This new system will replace our current ParentMail PMX system.

This week we have sent out a parentmail message with information on how to download and set up the app. You should also have received an invitation email with the following information:

- School ID
- Your username
- Invitation code

This information will need to be entered to enable you to set up your MCAS account.

We would be grateful if all parents could do this as soon as possible and by Friday 31 March at the latest.

If you are having any problems with any of the above, please contact the school office and we will be happy to help.

In order to ensure that all balances can be correctly transferred from ParentMail to MCAS, **we will be stopping online payments in Parentmail from Friday 31 March.** There will be a migration period where balances will be moved across from Parent Mail to MCAS and during this time we will not be able to accept any online payments. We will then hope to go live with the new online payment system shortly after Easter.

Please bear with us through this transition period - there may be a few issues that need to be ironed out but we will keep you updated.



#### EASTER EGG RAFFLE - SCHOOL COUNCIL

Our school council is holding an Easter Egg raffle next week to raise funds for their school projects. If your child would like to take part in the raffle, tickets cost £1.00 per strip - please send the money in a named envelope on Monday. Please do not send loose change as we need to know which children have entered. There will be one Easter Egg prize per class and the raffle will be drawn next Friday.



### **LIBRARY BOOKS**

Please note that there will be no library books sent home next week. If your child currently has a library book at home, we would be grateful if they could return it before the end of term so that Mrs Swan can sort and tidy the library ready for the start of the summer term. Thank you for your help.



### **PARENTS' EVENINGS - APPOINTMENT SYSTEM NOW OPEN FOR BOOKINGS**

Thank you to everyone who has already booked their parents' evening appointment for next week. If you haven't already done so and would like to, please follow the link below or contact the school office who will be happy to help.

<https://broomleyfirst.schoolcloud.co.uk>



### **MILK - SUMMER TERM**

Just a reminder that if your child would like to have school milk next term, you need to complete the google form by following the link below:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Ra2wqBdTrnoMI1qY1ODkEFaeKtOVQiBB1FuUZb6a2ZA/edit>

### **We would be grateful if you could complete this form by Friday 24th March.**

We are finding that a number of children are not keen to drink their milk so please could we ask that you double check with your child as to whether they would definitely like to have milk instead of water as their breaktime drink. We encourage the children to drink the milk if it has been ordered for them but would not make them have it if they really don't want it.



### **Comic Relief Red Nose Day**

Thank you to everyone who has donated to our comic relief red nose day fundraiser. So far we have raised an amazing £318.70

### **TCLT JOBS - Whittonstall and Broomley First School Class Teacher**

We have a position for a class teacher from September at Broomley and Whittonstall First Schools. Please see the link below if you are interested in finding out more.

[https://www.northeastjobs.org.uk/job/Class\\_Teacher/241824](https://www.northeastjobs.org.uk/job/Class_Teacher/241824)

## **CLOTHES BANK COLLECTION - THURSDAY 30TH MARCH**

The clothes bank in the playground will be emptied again next Thursday 30th March. If you have any clothes you are wanting to dispose of, please drop them into the clothes bank next week. The more we collect, the more funds we raise for school. Thank you for your help.



### **PTA - EVENTS COMING UP:**

Our PTA are very busy at the moment - so much so that we have sent a separate PTA upcoming events letter with this newsletter. Please have a read of that to find out more information about the events below:

- Monday 27th March - PTA meeting -7pm Dr Syntax - everyone welcome
- Friday 31st March - Non-Uniform Day - spring hamper donations requested
- Coronation Tea Towel - designed by Broomley pupils - more information to follow soon

## **FOOD BANK COLLECTION FOR THE MINER'S LAMP IN PRUDHOE**

Just a reminder that you have until Tuesday if you would like to donate to the Miner's Lamp Foodbank collection. We know that times are tough for a lot of families in our community so if you are able to spare an item or two for the foodbank collection, we and they would really appreciate it. Please drop any donations into the school office and we will arrange to deliver them to the Miner's Lamp next week. The list below shows the items that the Miner's Lamp are running short of:



**Tinned Carrots**  
**Tinned Potatoes or Packet Smash**  
**Tinned Spaghetti**  
**Tinned Meatballs, Stewed Steak or Mince**  
**Tinned Rice Pudding and Custard**  
**Pot Noddles**  
**Packet Instant Noodles**  
**Microwave Packet Rice**  
**Hot Chocolate**  
**Coffee**  
**Long life milk**  
**Biscuits**  
**Dog & Cat food**

**Non-food items like;**  
**Shampoo**  
**Conditioner**  
**Ladies and Mens Deodorant**  
**Washing up Liquid**  
**Washing powder or liquid**

## DIARY DATES

- Monday 27th March PTA meeting -7pm Dr Syntax - everyone welcome
- Tuesday 28th March Parents' Evening
- Thursday 30th March Parents' Evening
- Friday 31st March PTA Non-Uniform Day - see attached PTA newsletter for more info
- Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March Break up for Easter holidays
- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April Return to school for summer term
- Monday 8th May Additional Bank holiday for the King's Coronation
- Wednesday 10th May Reception Class Heights and Weights Measurement (NHS team)
- Wednesday 7th June Whole Class Photographs
- Wed 28th - Fri 30th June Y4 Ford Castle Residential Trip
- Wednesday 5th July Sports' Day (provisional date) - PTA to provide refreshments
- Friday 14th July Leavers' Disco
- Wednesday 19th July Leavers' Lunch and Leavers' assembly

On behalf of staff and governors, thank you for your continued support.

*Mrs Jacobs*

Executive Head Teacher