

Briary Primary School

EKC
Schools Trust



Message from
Mrs Murrell



Dear Parents and Carers,

It was delightful last week to welcome lots of families to Briary as they start to make their choices for their little ones due to start school next September. We will be having a fun **Open Morning here tomorrow** (Saturday 25th November) between **10 and 12 noon for pre-school children** - if you have a child in this age group, we hope you will come to join in the fun and games!

At the beginning of the week many children came in wearing odd socks. This was to kick-start our Anti-Bullying Week and helped to show children that we are all different in some way. In class and in assembly, we have been talking about what bullying is and how it is different to banter; we've also talked about when banter becomes bullying. A key theme has been around **Make a Noise about Bullying** and reinforcing the message that **Bullying is Not Welcome Here**. If you would like to follow-up any of this learning, please go to this page aimed at [Parents and Carers](#).

In other news, I have a couple of staffing changes to make you aware of: after 22 years working in a variety of roles at Briary, Mrs Ashton, one of our lunchtime supervisors, has decided to retire. Not only has she helped countless children cutting up food and helping them to carry their tray; she has also, previously, made a significant difference to many, many children over the years by helping them learn to read. As a school, we wish her well, thank her for the difference she has made to children's learning and sincerely hope she will continue to visit us. ♥

Also making the decision to retire, is Mrs Huxley - another long-standing member of the team who has given 22 years to Briary and its families. Mrs Huxley has led Science across the school for about as long as anyone can remember and I know she has brought the subject alive for all those lucky enough to have been taught by her. We thank her for her service to the school. Whenever we say farewell, we also say hello and I am delighted to welcome Miss Muir, who will be joining us from Herne, to take over the reins in Donaldson Class (Y2).

- Mrs Murrell, Headteacher

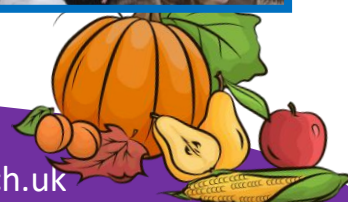
Sporting News

Thank you to the Herne Bay Ladies Football Team who visited Briary on Wednesday. The children really enjoyed the assemblies, especially watching the children and adults trying out their football skills! Why not go along on Sunday to support the team? Take the flyer and the children enter for free. Also, the licensed clubhouse bar is open for snacks along with hot and cold drinks.



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In response to the feedback received from our SEND GoogleForm Survey please find the link to the SEND Policy on our website [Here!](#)

There is still time to complete the SEND Survey just follow the link sent by email to GoogleForms. We welcome your feedback as it helps us identify areas for improvement.



Congratulations to Briary Choir for their amazing singing at the Herne Bay Christmas Lights Switch On!



EKC Mixed Football Tournament

On Tuesday, the Briary team participated in an EKC Football Tournament. Our first game was against Palm Bay and we won 4-1! The second game we played was against Aylesham and we won again, 1-0. The third game was versus East Stour and we won 3-0, after that was the quarter finals against Holywell. The game went our way and we won 3-0, making it into the semi-finals! We succeeded winning 1-0 and progressed into the finals, sadly we lost 3-0 coming second overall.

Report by Maya K



Well done to everyone who brought in donations on our non-uniform day. We raised an amazing £250 for Children in Need!



Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day– Thursday 7th December

We will be having a special Christmas Dinner at school, the children will have a choice of **Roast Turkey, Chipolata, Stuffing & Gravy or Feta, Spinach & Cranberry Puff Pastry Roll** (vegetarian) both will be served with **Roast Potatoes, Carrot & Pea Medley** and for dessert **Chocolate Frosted Christmas Cake or Easy Peeler Satsuma**.

Christmas Dinner MUST be booked via the GoogleForm sent by email by Tuesday 28th November to allow time for Caterlink to put in their food order.

Christmas Dinner will be charged as a school dinner through Arbor, so you will need to ensure your child's account is topped up. Anyone not having Christmas Dinner will need to bring a Home Packed Lunch.

If your child is in **Years R/1/2** you will not be charged as they have Universal Free School Meals. If your child has **FSM** (means tested Free School Meals) you will also not be charged, but **MUST** still book.



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Important Dates:

Saturday 25th November – Open Morning and Activity Session
for children starting school in
September 2024 from 10am – 12pm.

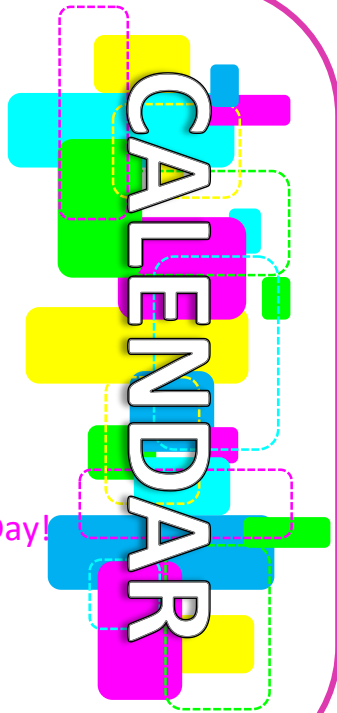
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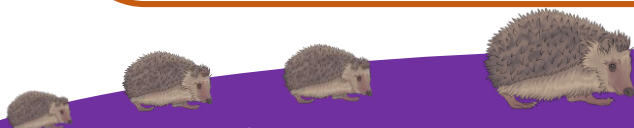
Wednesday 6th December – Change to Menu – No Roast dinner
(Chicken pie or Macaroni cheese)

Thursday 7th December – Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day!

Monday 18th December – Christmas Discos – Details to follow.



Please download the Arbor App you will need it to sign up for clubs, or swimming, book parent's evening, pay for lunches and give consent for trips. Arbor also sends emails with letters and forms so please check your emails too. Forms will be sent out using a link to Google Forms within emails. We don't want your children to miss out on any special events or opportunities so ensure you check your emails and the App regularly.



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