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BRAMFORD AND SOMERSHAM
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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the new half term and the first edition of my new 'Federation News.' In my new role as Executive Headteacher, I am hoping to produce this half termly newsletter for you so I can keep in touch; keep you in the know about how we are 'acing' school improvement and give opportunity for you to make suggestions.



As the new half term begins, we wanted to confirm some exciting staffing news with you all...

We are very pleased that Mr Hayward is staying with us and will continue to teach Year 3 for the rest of the academic year.

This week we welcome back Mrs Wepener who is returning from her maternity leave. She will be providing additional support and teaching across a range of classes as well as working with small groups of children. Finally, we are really happy to announce that Mrs Squirrell is expecting her second child. I am sure you will join with us in congratulating her on this exciting news. Mrs Squirrell's maternity will commence from towards the end of the Spring Term and will be covered by Mrs Wepener. Mrs Wepener will be able to work alongside Mrs Squirrell and Year 6 ahead of this to ensure a smooth transition for the pupils.

Who do I see if I am worried about something?

Our school leadership structure is quite unique due to being part of a Federation so it can be a little confusing about who to see when you have a concern...

1. In the first instance, speak with your child's class teacher. This is usually the best and quickest way of resolving issues. Alternatively, if it is an issue to do with home or family life you could speak with one of our school Family Support Workers.
2. If you are still worried or feel that it is not appropriate to begin at step one, you can make an appointment to see our Head of School, Mrs Lea, to discuss your concerns. Mrs Lea is in school every day and is often on the school playground in the morning.
3. Finally, if you are still worried then you can make an appointment to see myself, Mrs Burgess, as Executive Headteacher. My time is divided between Bramford and Somersham meaning I am not in school every day. However, I will always endeavour to see you or get back to you as soon as possible.





School Improvement - Combined Excellence and Working Together

Parental involvement is consistently associated with pupils' success at school and this year, we are keen to find ways to increase our links with you as parents. This term at Bramford we have already run a successful phonics event for parents of children in Key Stage one and held our Autumn Term parents' evenings before the half term. We also look forward to seeing lots of you at the upcoming share sessions across this half term... check the main school newsletter for dates. We continue to hold sharing assemblies every Friday...again check the newsletter for dates!

If you have any great ideas about other kinds of school events - own school or Federation, or support that would help you as a parent - for example things that you would find it useful to access on our school website - then please jot them down below and return or email suggestions through to me via the office email address:
office@bramfordprimary.net

Finally, as you will be aware, the school received an Ofsted Inspection on the final day of last half term. It was wonderful to see our community spirit shine through and we would like to extend a special thank you to you all for your kind comments and the support you showed towards the school and staff. You will receive further information about the outcome of the inspection in due course.



Best Wishes,

Emma Burgess
Executive Headteacher

Working together - Parent suggestions...