



Braidwood Primary School

January 2010

Newsletter



On behalf of all staff and pupils of Braidwood Primary, may I wish you all a Very Happy New Year.

We look forward to a productive new session in school with lots of exciting things happening.



Inclement Weather

As you are all too aware, our weather has not been the best for travelling to and from school. During this spell of cold, snowy weather, I would urge you to contact the school to check if school is open. Then you can decide whether or not to send your child/ren to school. Please inform the school if your child/ren are not going to be at school.

Mr Johnston has been in contact with the roads department who advise that only A and some B roads are being ploughed and gritted, no other roads are being attended to.

During this time I would advise that you park in Braidwood Road and allow the children to continue from there on foot.



Christmas Festivities

I'm glad to say we had a wonderful Christmas Season at Braidwood Primary. Our Nativity - "It's a Party" was a huge success. Thanks to Primary 3 for their efforts on stage and to the rest of the school for helping out with the singing. Primary 7 enjoyed their outing to Hollywood Bowl and Frankie and Benny's. Primaries 6,5,4 and 3 all had super parties in school. Unfortunately due to the weather conditions on Monday 21st December, the Primary 1 and 2 party had to be postponed. A new date for a "New Year" party will be arranged and we will let you know the details as soon as possible.

Our end of term service organised for Kirkton Church on Tuesday 22nd December had to be cancelled as busses couldn't get down to the school and turn. Instead Rev Cunningham conducted the service here in the school.



Enterprising Pupils

Some of our pupils in Primary 6 undertook an enterprise venture just before Christmas. They made and sold Christmas Cards to staff and pupils to raise money for various Charities.....

Adam Collin, Zak Quinn and Callum McGowan raised £11.12 for CHAS.

Chelsea Waddell, Lauren Whitelaw, Kirstin Taylor Peacock and Ilona Mc Dougall raised £9.50 for Dogs' Trust.

Lucy Whitelaw and Abbey Clark raised £21.65 for Roadmeetings Hospital.

Lauren Gray and Amanda Jane Pollock made and sold Christmas Cards at home and raised £65.09 for Guide Dogs for the Blind.

Well Done everyone.



Pantomime

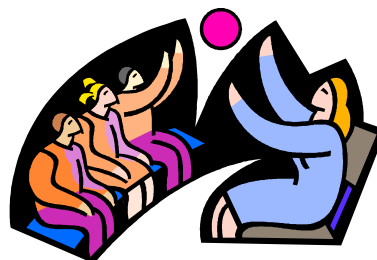
The first of our exciting things planned for this session is the visit to school of M and M Productions to perform the pantomime Peter Pan on Monday 11th January. This will take place in the morning. I'm sure the children will enjoy the experience of watching and participating in the show.

Registration for August 2010

Registration for children starting school in August 2010 begins on Monday 11th January here at the school.

Registration times are 1.30 - 2.30pm Monday - Friday.

When registering your child, you need to have the child's birth certificate and 2 items of proof of residency eg. utility bill.





School Photographs

No arrangements have been put in place for school photographs this session. Over the next few weeks I will be looking into what is available from various photographers and will then seek your views on what package is most suitable. Hopefully arranging school photographs for April / May.



Staffing

As intimated in the December Newsletter, Mrs Agnes Griffiths will be joining us in place of Mrs Clare Gallant. Due to absences elsewhere, Mrs Griffiths will not start until Monday 18th January.

Support staff already within the school will cover Mrs Gallant's hours for the first two weeks. My thanks to them for their willingness to help in this situation.

Mrs Carole Mason, Head of Education (Area) informed me on Tuesday 22nd December that only one application for the Head Teacher's Post had been received. This means that the post has to be re-advertised in January. Interviews will now take place sometime in February.

Forthcoming Events

Week beg:- 11/1/10	Registration for children starting school in August 2010	
	Mon - Fri 1.30 - 2.30pm	Braidwood Primary School
Mon 11 th January	Panto - Peter Pan	in school am
Mon 11 th January	Parent Council Meetings	Fundraising 7pm Business 8pm
Wed 20 th January	P7 Netball (Carl Luke)	am
Thur 28 th January	Sports Hall Athletics	pm

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Acting Head Teacher