

BRENZETT CE SCHOOL

news



TERM 5 NEWSLETTER JUNE 2024



My first term as Head sped by and I am truly appreciative for the warm welcome I have received at this amazing school. There is so much to celebrate - here are some of the highlights and upcoming news this summer so far. A special mention goes to Year 6 who gave the SATs tests their all last term. Well done all of you - you did yourselves and the school proud. from Mrs Wright

TERM 5 READING NEWS!

In Term 5, we started planning some new ideas to help our pupils with their reading. We will be investing in an exciting new tech-based reading programme called **Reading Plus** which will help pupils with their speed, fluency and comprehension. We have had a very generous donation from the Brockman Trust to pay for this and it will make a real impact of the pupils learning. To support the IT, we are also updating our WIFI network and investing in **new chrome books** so all of our KS2 pupils will be able to use the programme on a daily basis.



Courageous Advocates

What do YOU believe in? What can YOU do to make things better?

These are the questions we will be asking the children in Term 6. We will be encouraging our pupils to take an active role in the world and to use their voice and their ideas to make improvements in the world around them. We call this "**Courageous Advocacy**". More news about this soon!



Good to be Green!

In Term 5 - we really encouraged our pupils to follow and use our school rules:

- Be Kind
- Be respectful
- Work Hard

Our pupils take real pride when they are recognised for following these rules - and I have been giving out lots of stickers and prizes for children who have been working hard and reached the **Pot of Gold**. Well done everyone who got there!

PLAYTIME NEWSLETTER



Our new and improved Playtime!

Last term saw the launch of our new Outdoor Play and Learning project, which so far has been a great success. The children are able to choose from a wider range of activities including dressing up, scooting, wheely boxes, chalk drawing and construction with boxes, crates, tyres, tarps and camo-netting - all to a soundtrack of pop, rock and dance which the children have chosen through a pupil council play-list questionnaire. THANK YOU so much for your donations of tyres, scooters and costumes - they've all been getting lots of use already!

Here are some golden moments...and there will be plenty more as we head into our last term!



WANTED!

- wheelie suitcases
- buggies
- pots and pans
- watering cans
- Wooden pallets

WHAT'S NEXT?

Summer Fun!

Water play & mud kitchen





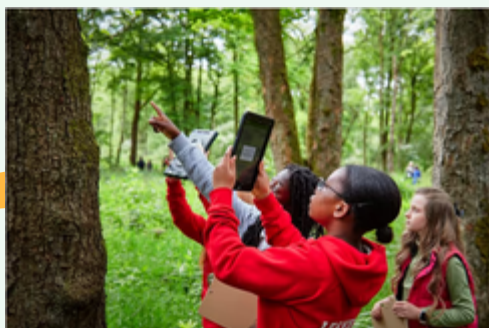
Our £10,000 Nature Grant!

Last term we shared that we had applied for a Nature Park Grant to make the grey areas of our school grounds a little greener. Well we have great news! We were awarded the grant and are getting ready to use it to improve the grounds, improve our biodiversity and make the school more wildlife friendly.

Sensory Garden

We will be creating a new sensory garden planted with herbs and different tactile elements to interest the children and to attract wildlife. The pupils have voiced that they would like to include small animal homes such as bug-hotels, bird-boxes and water features. We hope this will be a calm and peaceful place for the children to sit and enjoy at play-times and help them to build a connection with nature.

UPCOMING EVENTS: CREATING A NATURE PARK!



Education Nature Park

Empowering children and young people to make a positive difference to both their own and nature's future..

Education Nature Park

This project is funded by the DFE in conjunction with the Royal Horticultural Society and aims to connect schools around the country by creating a nation-wide Nature Park. We are so excited to be part of this project and hopefully soon you will be able to see the changes unfolding!



Raised Beds

We will be using our grant to create some new raised planting beds so the children can sew-and-grow as part of their Science learning.

THANK YOU!

A really big thank you to the volunteers who have been in over the past two holidays to help improvement the school grounds. They've helped to set up new sheds, a mud-kitchen and a sandpit in the EYFS area and have been painstakingly painting the picket fence in the playground over the bank holiday weekend. We hope to have another working party this term and all are welcome if you have an hour or two to spare to help finish the painting project! Dates to follow.