



Wednesday 1 September 2021

Welcome back to a new school year. In the past two weeks we have welcomed forty four new primary one children into school and a number of other new children into classes across the school. It is lovely to see classes being able to now mix in the playground and play in any area they wish to. We continue to have two different break and lunchtimes to ensure smaller numbers outdoors.

We will hopefully be able to welcome parents and carers physically back into school at some point this year but please be reassured that we will continue to support your child throughout their school day.

Uniform and P.E.

As a school we encourage the wearing of school uniform. Circumstances last year saw a bit of a move away from this, but we are hoping that we can start to return to all our learners wearing school colours, red, navy and white. This helps them all to identify with being a Broughton pupil.

Children are now able to change for PE lessons. Please can you send a PE kit into school. This should be a tea-shirt, shorts or tracksuit trousers and a pair of trainers or plimsoles. **Please ensure all items are named and in a gym bag.** Children should not bring football team clothing for PE.

Meet the Teacher

Each stage will produce a presentation giving information on the learning in the classes. This will have more detail than the stage newsletters and will also include photographs of the classrooms so you are able to see the room where your child is spending their day. These presentations will be uploaded to our school website **on Wednesday 1 September.**

Stage Newsletters will be issued in the week beginning Monday 6 September.

125 years of Broughton Primary School

This year is the 125th Year of the school. Broughton first opened in September 1896. There have been a number of changes since then! Over this school year we will be celebrating by learning some of the history of the school, looking at some of the changes and looking at wider world events that have taken place over the years.

We would be really keen to exhibit some photographs of previous classes or of the school. If you have any old photos relating to the school and you would like to share them with us, please send them into the school (via your child). **Please make sure they have your name, your child's name and any information about the photograph included.** We want to ensure all photographs can be returned later in the session.

We would also like to interview some older members of the community about their time here at Broughton. Please let us know if you have friends and family members who would be willing to be interviewed.

Other news

Please can you make sure your child brings a coat to school as they will be outdoors in all weathers.

We are also asking that parents continue to follow the guidelines that were in place last session -

- No parents in the playground in the morning
- Parents can wait in allocated areas for collecting children
- Please try and limit it to one adult per family
- Wear a face covering on school grounds and try and distance from other adults.

Covid procedures

Some of the procedures for schools have changed with **whole classes no longer having to self-isolate.**

If your child has any one of the **symptoms of Covid then please keep them home and get them tested.**

Any children testing **positive with a Lateral Flow Test should take a PCR test.**

If your child gets a **positive PCR test, please inform us as soon as possible.** Test and Protect will contact you to ascertain close contacts.

If a family member tests positive then please keep your child home and order a PCR test for them. **If the PCR test comes back negative, your child can return to school.**

If there is a positive case within your child's class, you will receive a text from the school directing you to the appropriate letter.

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 1 September – Meet the Teacher presentation on the school website

Monday 20 September – School Holiday

Week commencing 4 October – Online/Telephone Parent Consultations

Friday 15 October – Term ends

Tuesday 26 October – Pupils resume

Thursday 18 November – Flu vaccinations for pupils

Maria Gowans, Head Teacher