



Brumby Junior School

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Headteacher: Mr P. Foster

Information letter: January 2016



New School Building

The new build is on schedule for its new opening time after the

Easter Holidays. We will be presenting more information about the details at the parents' evenings later this term.

Breakfast clubs, tuck shop and packed lunches

After discovering the amount of refined-sugar and salt in some of our breakfast club and tuck shop products, our School Council worked with each year group to discuss making both services more healthy. The result is that we now have a much healthier,



low-refined-sugar breakfast club and a tuck shop which sells fruit and vegetable products in place of the less healthy breakfast bars and

biscuits which it used to sell.

However, we have found that lots of pupils still bring chocolate bars and crisps etc for a morning snack. Having these as a morning snack is no longer allowed in school

- we strongly encourage all parents to support us by sending healthier options with pupils. The difficult area of packed-lunches is one where we would strongly encourage parents to help their child to take healthier options wherever they can, but we will stop short of checking these as we respect a parents' right to choose what they feed their child. The vast majority of pupils now fully understand what is healthy, what is not and what negative effects a poor diet has on the human body and mind. Thank you to all of those parents who have already expressed their support for us in this area - we have children's' best interests at heart.

School opening times

This is a reminder that the pupils should not arrive at school before 8:45 a.m. unless they are attending breakfast clubs. A significant number of pupils arrive far too early for school (some as early as 7:50!), and are unsupervised on the school yard until that time. Unfortunately, we have had a number of incidents before 8:45 a.m. Whilst we will always do our best to attend to these, please be aware that pupils on school yards before 8:45 a.m. remain the responsibility of the parent.

During the demolition phase of the school build (March to June 2016) pupils will not be able to gain access to any part of the school site before 8:30 a.m. More details of the new build and explanations of timings and other practicalities will be available at parents' evenings on Feb 22nd and Feb 23rd.

School dinners

Thank you to all of those parents who support the school and ensure that the payments for school dinners are kept up to date on the Squid system. The school is not in a position to be able to provide a full school dinner to any pupil who does not have sufficient credit in their account. Reminders are sent to prevent this happening.

If your child currently stays for a packed lunch, but would like to stay for one or more days in our 2 week cycle, please contact the school office or ask your child to take a menu themselves.

Term Dates

Half Term - school closes Fri 12th Feb and re-opens on Mon 22nd Feb

School closed for moving and set-up dates:

Wed 23rd/Thu 24th Mar + Mon/Tue 12th Apr

Parents' Evenings:

Mon 22nd, Tue 23rd Feb

Brumby's Last Day—open event

Tue 22nd March 4 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

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New School Logo



Earlier in the year we commissioned the design of a number of logos for the new school, with the focus on having something which represented the 4 year groups which we have at Brumby. From the final list of 5 logos, pupils, governors and staff each voted for their favourite. The winner, by a landslide victory was the one shown at the top of this letter. In colour, the four sections around the B are red, yellow, green and blue.

This logo will be visible on all school correspondence in the future, as well as school uniforms and the school building itself.

As a bonus for pupils and parents, we will be providing all pupils with a free item of clothing when the new school opens. During the summer holidays, parents will also be able to buy p.e shirts, jumpers, cardigans and other items with the logo on too.

Brumby's Last Evening: open event

Due to the sheer amount of requests we have had, we will be opening the school to visitors, parents and former pupils on the last day which it will be open: Tuesday 22nd March 2016, from 4 p.m to 5:30 p.m. Please come along to reminisce and remember your time at the school, or that of your children. We will be providing tea, coffee and biscuits, and current pupils will be on-hand to show you around too. We are inviting the press and former pupils too, so keep your eyes open for the official invites and items in the press and on Facebook in future weeks!

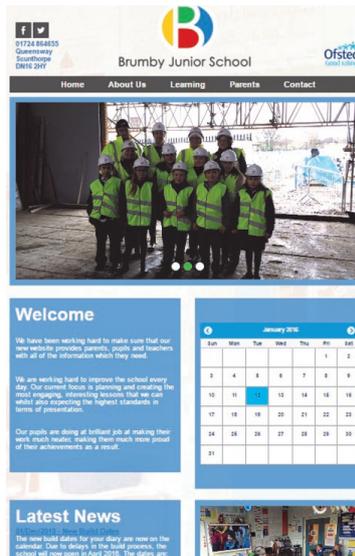
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The Last Day

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New school website

As part of our move to our new school building, we have constructed a new school website which is now live. Alongside this will be a free smartphone APP which will enable you to receive notifications and other information too. The app will be available for android devices straight away, but for iOS (Apple) devices, it will take a few more days as it is currently awaiting approval in the Itunes store.



Dojo Shop

We have recently opened our dojo shop where pupils can spend the dojo points which they have earned for effort, good work, positive behaviour and many other of the impressive things which our pupils do whilst they are in school. Y3 and Y4 have already had the chance to spend theirs, and Y5/6 get their chance today. Many pupils are electing to save up their dojos too, as more items will become available in the summer term. The 10 pupils with the highest score (who haven't spent their dojos!) from each year group on Wednesday 8th June will also be invited to the Kingswood reward trip for free!



Volunteers in school

We would love to have more volunteers in school during the afternoons to listen to pupils read. This is a very important focus for us at Brumby because quite a large proportion of our children tell us that they do not read with an adult at home. If you wish to volunteer please contact the school office, or your child's class teacher - it would be a great help!