

Dear Parents

School Newsletter – June 2011.

May Celebrations

We finished last term with one of the highlights of The Brampton's year - our traditional May Celebrations, even if they had to be held indoors once again. I am sure you all agree that Courtney looked resplendent as the May Queen as did Izzy and Maisie who supported her as attendants. The dancing and singing were excellent as always and I was particularly proud of the Year 6 boys who sorted out the sword dance with very little help. My thanks as always to parents for supporting the event and making sure all the children were dressed for the occasion and thanks to the Friends of Bramptons for providing refreshments. I understand that not many of you got to see this photograph from the Chronicle and Echo

School Summer Fete

I am sure that you all know that the school summer fete is rapidly approaching with the date set for July 2nd. Please make sure that this date is booked in your diary. I am sure that Katie Thompson, Emma Huison or any of the Friends Committee would be very pleased to hear from anyone else who would like to volunteer to help on the day and/or in the build up as I know that this is often when they struggle to find the support they need.

Residential

The Year 6 residential is going ahead at the beginning of July. I will hold a meeting for parents and children at **3.30pm next Tuesday 14th June**. I will go through the basic itinerary and kit lists then.

Sports Day

Sports Day this year will be on Thursday 30th June – slightly earlier than we have done it in the past so that we can avoid the mad rush at the end of term.

Mad Science Day

We have booked for a group called Mad Science to come in and do a day in school on Tuesday 21st June. They will be running workshops for all the children, giving them a chance to have some

fun with Science in a way that they would not normally be able to do. The day will kick off with an assembly which parents are warmly welcome to sit in on. I have also invited Mad Science to run a six week after school club between September and October – it is quite expensive at over £6 a session but I think it will be worth it. The assembly will give parents an opportunity to see what Mad Science have to offer and to determine whether it is something they would like their children to take part in. It is limited to a six week course as a way of controlling the expense and to stop children becoming over familiar with the format – in later years we might put on another course if the first is successful.

School Play and the Last Week of Term

We are planning on doing a proper school play this summer and are currently allocating parts. The show will be in the final week of school before the holiday so it would be a great help if we knew of any children who will not be here due to early holidays. Details of the play will come out later.

In the final week we will also be going on a trip to Stanwick Lakes to complete our Water topic. This year we will have ranger led sessions and I believe that it will give the children a chance to complete the year with a high quality, enjoyable experience.

As is normal, we will conclude the year with a leavers' assembly on the final afternoon. I hope parents will be able to support this event.

Trophy Amnesty

We seem to be short of a few of the trophies that we hand out at the end of each term and each year. If you have one tucked away at home we would really appreciate it if they were returned to school in the next few days. Thank you.

Building Work

The long awaited building work actually looks like it is going to go ahead this time. We now have a start date for the first day back after the summer holiday. The work will carry on throughout the Autumn term – if they keep to schedule they should move out just as we go on Christmas holidays.

Thankfully the contractors are very experienced at this type of work and I have been quite reassured by their plans, particularly regarding their health and safety procedures.

This is a really exciting opportunity for the school and although Government cutbacks have meant that we will not get the full refurbishment, I believe that the school will be significantly improved because of the work. The school is going to put a large part of its capital money into the project so that we can have some additional work done, such as a new front door and entry system.

Sports Club

The after school sports club will take place for just two more weeks – on the 16th and 23rd of June then will cease for the year. The 30th June is Sports Day, on the following Thursday I am away with the Year 6s on their residential and by then we will be into the final fortnight chaos.

Race For Life

Mrs Winterburn, one of our lunch time supervisors is doing the Race for Life. If you would like to sponsor her I know she would be very grateful and of course all the money that is raised will go to a very worthy cause. Mrs Quick has a copy of the sponsor form that you can fill in.

Important Dates

Tuesday 14 th June	3.30pm Parents Meeting for Y6 Residential
Tuesday 21 st June	Mad Science Day – parents invited to the opening assembly first thing in the morning.
Tuesday 21 st June	Y5 Parents evening at Moulton School
Wednesday 22 nd June	Y6 Science Day at Moulton School
Thursday 23 rd June	Y5 Science Day at Moulton School
Thursday 30 th June	Sports Day from 1.45pm
Saturday 2 nd July	Summer Fete
Wednesday 6 th to Friday 8 th July	Year 6 Residential
Monday 11 th July	Transfer Day – Y6 go to their new schools
Friday 15 th July	Reports come out to parents
Monday 18 th July	Afternoon performance of Summer Production
Monday 18 th July	Drop in evening to discuss reports
Tuesday 19 th July	Evening performance of Summer Production
Wednesday 20 th July	Whole school trip to Stanwick Lakes
Thursday 21 st July	School clear up – children to bring everything home
Friday 22 nd July	Leavers assembly – 2pm
Friday 22 nd July	End of term
Tuesday 6th September	Children return to school