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Dear Parents

Upcoming Events

Parents' evenings will take place from Monday through to Thursday next week. If you have not managed to sign up for a slot, please let us know and we will endeavour to arrange a convenient time. If your child is in a half day pm class, we will open the doors at 3.30pm next week, to enable us to start our meetings promptly at 3.45pm. Appointments are for 10 minutes and we appreciate your consideration to this, in order for us to keep to time.

Parents' Evening Times

Monday 8	Parents' Evening –
October	3:45p.m. – 6:00p.m.
	Class 5, 6, 7, 8,
	Reception
Tuesday 9	Parents' Evening –
October	3:45p.m. – 6:00p.m.
	Class 5, 6, 7, 8,
	Reception
Wednesday 10	Parents' Evening –
October	3:45p.m. – 6:00p.m.
	Class 1, 2, 3, 4
	Class 8- 3:45p.m. –
	5:15p.m.
Thursday 11	Parents' Evening –
October	3:45p.m. – 6:00p.m.
	Classes 2,3,4

Teaching is the one profession that creates all other professions- unknown

Half Term Holiday

Half term runs from Monday 22nd October through to Friday 2nd November.

Head's Talks

We were delighted to welcome Kevin Dobson from The Hall, Caroline Gerstein from N.L.C.S and Gabrielle Solti from S.H.H.S to School this week. All three Heads shared valuable information with parents on the upcoming assessments and offered reassurance and guidance on how to manage the process. We look forward to welcoming Zoe Dunn from U.C.S and Emma Crawford Nash from St Christopher's after half term.

I am very grateful to the Heads for finding the time to visit Broadhurst in their busy schedules. I am also very pleased to have the opportunity to continue to build relationships and forge links to our destination schools in this way.

World Teachers' Day

5th October marks International World Teachers' Day which aims to appreciate, assess and improve the educators of the world. I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks to the dedicated team of teachers we have here at Broadhurst, summed up by a few quotes you will find dotted around this week's newsletter.

The best teachers are those who show you where to look, but don't tell you what to see- Alexandra Trenfor



A great teacher takes a hand, opens a mind and touches a heart- unknown

Curriculum News from Miss Belzer

Curriculum News – Following Instructions

Following instructions is a skill that involves listening to and remembering complex sentences. Children need to be able to sequence and comprehend language in order to follow an instruction through. Playing games such as Simon Says or following simple dance moves, provide good opportunities to practise listening to, understanding and following instructions.

You can support your child to follow instructions by:

- **Making eye contact:** Get your child's visual attention before giving them an instruction.
- Single instructions: Give your child one instruction at a time. As they become more confident, introduce two and three step instructions.
- Simple language: Keep language simple and direct.
- Repeat: Ask your child to repeat the instruction to ensure that they have understood what they need to do e.g. "Go and get your bag then sit at the table. What do I want you to do?'
- **'First/Then':** Use this concept to help your child know what order they need to complete the command e.g. "First get your jacket, then put on your shoes".

Medical Matters

As a polite reminder, after vomiting or diarrhoea, children are required to wait 48 hours once symptoms have ceased, before returning to school. This is to minimise the spread of infection to others.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing everyone on Monday.

With best wishes

Mrs Sylvester

Proprietor Mr B. Berkery