

Weekly Newsletter



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Jazz Night

My 6 piece Dixieland jazz band will be playing for a Jazz Night on Saturday, 27th June at 8:00 pm. The tickets cost £16 which includes a fish/chicken/sausage/veggie and chip supper. Refreshments, including Brentwood real ale, will be available to purchase. The funds from this event will go towards the Fundraisers' project of providing a new music room. This event has always been a great success in the past offering an evening of music and all-round entertainment. It is now only a fortnight away so please order your tickets in the next week. If you think jazz is not for you, please mention it to friends and family who would like to come.

Term time holidays

Please remember that there is no right to take children on holiday during term time. Leave can be requested for exceptional circumstances but holidays being more expensive during school holiday time is not exceptional unfortunately. Please do not feel that asking to take work with you on holiday somehow makes it acceptable – if children could learn as well out of school with work set for them there would be no need for teachers to qualify nor for children ever to come to school.

Improved parking

Our Eco Heroes have asked us to thank you for improving the parking situations around school. Remember to continue to park safely.

Brentwood Tattoo

Come and experience the pomp and pageantry of the Brentwood Tattoo at Brentwood County High School on Saturday, 11th July. There will be performances by Brentwood Imperial Youth Band and the gates open at 5:00 pm. Bring your blankets and pre-Tattoo picnics. Refreshments will be available on site.

A cashless school

After requests from parents, we have registered to become 'cashless'. We are now taking online payments for school dinners, trips etc., with a view to taking no cash for these services from September. Thank you to all the parents who have already signed and please make sure you register if you haven't already done so. If you have any questions about how this will affect you, please see Lucy Wicker, School Business Manager.

Changes to persistent absence criteria

As of September 2015, the Government definition of a child with persistent absence will be once their attendance drops below 90%.

Sports Day

Congratulations to all the children who participated in Sports Day.

Brentwood Station

As TfL has taken over the management of Brentwood Station, it has been discovered that, on 1st July, the station will be 175 years old. To commemorate this anniversary, TfL is offering ten to fifteen Year 4 to 6 children the chance to go to the station to learn more about its history. In order for us to choose which children will attend, we are running a competition for those in Years 4 to 6. Pupils should produce a creative piece of work (art, poem, story) about the station, trains or rail travel on one piece of A4 paper ensuring their names and class are on the back. The closing date is Friday, 26th June. Entries should be given to Mr. Hocking.

Group photos

Please send your photo orders in by next Friday, 26th June.

Sainsbury vouchers

Thank you for all your vouchers. We have now placed an order for PE, cooking and gardening equipment.

Menu

Week 3 of the menu - please see the website for the new summer menus.

Forthcoming dates

15th, 17th & 18th June – Bikeability
16th June – Early Years visit to Tropical Wings
18th June – Able Writers Day
19th June – Sports Day (9:30 am Infants and 1:00 pm Juniors)
25th June – Yrs 3-5 District Sports am
27th June – Jazz Night
29th July – District Sports Yr 6
4th July – Summer fete
6th July – 2:45 pm Yr2 transition meeting for parents
6th July – Year 6 play – evening performance
7th July – Y5 and Y6 NSPCC workshops
7th July – Year 6 play – afternoon and evening performances
9th July – writing session with author Elen Cadecott
9th July – EYFS to Y1 transition meeting for parents
14th July – Open evening (3:00 to 6:00 pm)
16th July – Year 6 leavers theatre trip
17th July – Year 6 leavers disco
20th July – Owl team non-uniform day
22nd July – Last day of summer term
Monday, 7th September – children return to school

Letters home

15th – Y6 Residential visit to Norfolk – outstanding balance
15th – Y4 Swimming – payment reminder
15th - Able Writers Day
18th – Y6 – helpers for the Summer Fair

Attendance – 97% target

Congratulations to Birch, Elder, Elm, Holly Larch, Maple and Sycamore for having over 97% attendance since the start of the academic year (September).

Congratulations

Bronze Certificates went to Cherys Bartlett-Avant, Lee Butler and Kianna Burnett.

Silver Certificates went to Kaylan Burnett, Freya Michael, Delphie Poole, Casper Jeffries, Skyler Collins, Morrighan Charles, Dimitrios Tsatsa, Ashley Before, Bobbi McGovern, Harrison Williams, Rhys Gale and Kitty Forrest-Hopkins.

Gold Certificates went to Sara Norris, Liam Sier, Jessica Llewellyn, Jake Simmons and Hanna Webb.

Road Safety Poster Competition:

Well done to everybody who entered the competition and congratulations to the overall winner, Sam Palmer.

Silver Certificates went to Hannah Long, Jasmine Leaver, Lily-Rose Bowcher, Reece Clifford, Oliver Wyatt, Callum Donovan, William Clark, Lola Slattery and Joseph Chege.

Gold Certificates went to Sam Palmer, Samuel Keen and Matilda-Lilly Jacovou.