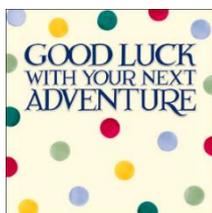


A message from Mrs. Brimson

An early letter this week as we have some important news items to share with you all!



Today we are saying a fond farewell to Hayley Heafield who has been at the school for 19 years. Hayley started at the school in 2003 and will have seen many changes during her time here. Hayley has supported lots of children and their families whilst at the school and I know she will be missed by her colleagues, children and their families. We wish Hayley all the best as she starts her new adventure and a huge thank you for all she has done.

We will also be saying goodbye to Heather Wilson next week as she has decided to retire and spend more time with her family. I am sure you will join me in saying good luck to Heather and a huge thank you for all the children she has supported in her time here.



Throughout this term, it has been lovely to see so many children accessing the breakfast club. In order to start the children's day calmly and ensure they have the time to access the activities on offer, please could the children be dropped off at the outside door of the nurture room, where the club is held, rather than the front of school. This will give Becky Townsend the time to open up and welcome the children at the door to the room. Thank you.

This year, the Open the Book team are kindly giving each child a book which narrates the Christmas story. The children will be bringing the book home in their school bags so please keep a look out for these as we near the end of term. The illustrations inside are lovely and I would like to thank the Open the Book team for their kind generosity.





Finally, thank you to you all for your understanding regarding the new site security. We are still in the process of reviewing our procedures, however I have been really proud of the way in which the children have embraced the new system and how responsible they have been. Thank you again for supporting the school with this.

And finally! A little reminder that it is Children in Need day tomorrow. Children are allowed to wear non-school uniform and something spotty to mark this important day of fundraising. Please can the children give their donations of £1 to their class teacher. Thank you.



School News

Tempest Photographer

As previously advised a reminder that if you order your photos through the Tempest Website the closing date for **free delivery** back to school is **Wednesday, 23rd November 2022**. If you have chosen this option please use your unique link or visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3).

Christmas Jumper Day

We will be supporting this fundraiser again this year in order to raise funds for Save the Children. Your child may wear their Christmas Jumper to school on 2nd, 9th and 16th December for a total cost of £2.00 per child. We will notify you nearer the time when Parent Pay will be available to receive your donation.

Swimming/Gymnastics The final session will be **Tuesday 29th November**. If you have chosen to pay in instalments, please check your payment schedule in ParentPay.

A reminder that payments were due: -

£10.00 by 30th September, 14th October, 28th October, 11th November with the remaining £5.60 on 25th November.

Free School Meals

If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals please go to the [Citizen Portal](#) which is the quickest and easiest way to apply and will result in an instant decision.

Privacy Notice

For your information, please follow the link to the **Main Privacy Notice** webpage

<https://ventrus.org.uk/our-people/privacy-notices/> and a link to the **Pupil Privacy Notice** webpage <https://ventrus.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Pupil-Privacy-Notice-2022-23-Academy-Ventrus-Nov-22.pdf>

Admissions Policy consultation 2024-2025

Below you will see a link to our proposed admissions policy for 2024-25

<http://www.primaryschoolsnorthdevon.co.uk/website> and found on the Homepage under 'Links and Downloads'

The consultation period starts on 1st November 2022 and ends on 6th January 2023. Any response you may wish to register, please email the school, brattonfleming@ventrus.org.uk

Bratton Fleming School is a NO NUT Zone

Dates for your diary

2 nd December 2022	Christmas Jumper Day
7 th December 2022	Christmas Lunch
9 th December 2022	Nativity Service in St Peter's Church 2.30pm
	Christmas Jumper Day
15 th December 2022	Christingle Service in St Peter's Church 2.15pm
16 th December 2022	Christmas Jumper Day & Last day of Autumn term
4 th January 2023	First day of Spring Term
13 th February to 17 th February 2023	Half Term
31 st March 2023	Last day of Spring Term
18 th April 2023	First day of Summer Term
1 st May 2023	Spring Bank Holiday
29 th May to 2 nd June 2023	Half Term
20 th July 2023	Leaver's Service in St Peter's Church
21 st July 2023	Last day of Summer Term

PTA

The PTA would like to invite you to their AGM, in the school, tonight Thursday 17th November at 5.30 to 6.30pm.

Community News

The Thursday Café

Every Thursday afternoon from 2:00 to 4:00pm the Village Hall will open as a Café, serving hot drinks, cakes, biscuits and other bakes. If you wish to host one or more of our Thursday Cafés, either as a fundraising opportunity for a Charity of your choice or to promote your business, please get in touch with Tracey Tapp on 01598 710436 or visit www.BFVH.uk for more details.

