

Broadbottom C of E Primary School

Newsletter – January/February 2020

Happy New Year

Happy New Year! Welcome back

I hope you have all had a lovely Christmas. As always we have lots of activities this half-term.



Bag2 School

The children have all been given a Bag2School. These will be collected on Monday 27th January at 9am. This is a great way of free fundraising for school through the PTA. You can drop your bag off at the school office any time after the 20th January.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Data Collection

Due to GDPR we no longer send home Data Collection Sheets. If your child has a change of contact details, emergency details, travel arrangements, dietary needs, change of Dr's and medical conditions you must inform the school office as a matter of priority.

Tameside Libraries Free Borrowbox E-books

BorrowBox allows each library member to download up to 6 ebooks and 6 eaudiobooks at a time for free! There are hundreds of books for children available and they can be downloaded from home or school using the BorrowBox app to read on a tablet or phone, or onto a PC. All a child needs is their Tameside library card number and PIN. This service is great to promote to your children for reading independently and for pleasure. Scroll down for more information.



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| 97% - 100% | Excellent |
| 94% - 96.99% | Good |
| 90% - 93.99% | Cause for concern |
| Below 90% | Serious concern |



Our whole school's attendance for last year was **95.85%** (Good). Although this is great news please ensure that holidays, medical appointments etc, are arranged during the school holidays as attendance has a direct impact on children's education.

Please remember to contact the school office with reasons for any absence; otherwise your child will automatically receive an unauthorised mark.



Monday 20th January 2020

Year 6 Trip to Manchester Museum
After School Clubs commence

Tuesday 21st January 2020

Winnie The Pooh Day
Dress as a bear.

Thursday 23rd January 2020

NHS Year 6 height and weight check

Monday 27th January 2020

Bags 2 School collected at 9am

Tuesday 28th January 2020

Global Policing session with Year 6

Wednesday 29th January 2020

PTA Meeting – 7.30pm at school
Everybody welcome

Friday 31st January 2020

Parent Pride and Food Bank Friday



Winnie The Pooh Day Tuesday 21st January

Dress as a bear for the day to celebrate Winnie The Pooh Day which is held every year to mark the birthday of A.A Milne who was born on 18th January 1882



Parent Pride Assembly/Foodbank Friday 31st January

At Pride Assembly we will also be collecting for Foodbank Friday, please bring along a tin or jar if you are able. This year's foodbank donations will be helping the residents of Tameside South and Longdendale. Continued support for this needy cause is very gratefully received.

PTA The next meeting for the PTA is on Wednesday 29th January

A huge thank you to our PTA for their tremendous efforts during the Christmas season raising a fantastic **£493.63** for the school. It was great to work alongside everyone in the PTA to achieve these fabulous results for our children. We are absolutely delighted. Visit the PTA Facebook page to keep up to date with PTA news, activities and events for Broadbottom Primary School

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PTA Valentine's Day
Friday 14th February
To celebrate Valentine's Day in school, dress in red for £1.00.

Parent's Evening
Wednesday 12th February
Purple Class: 3pm-7.30pm
Green Class: 3pm – 7.30pm
Red Class: 2pm - 7.30pm
Blue Class: 3.30pm – 7.30pm
Please write in your child's planner a time suitable for you.
Appointments are 10 minutes each and allocated in order of requests.
The last appointment will be 7.30pm.

Tuesday 11th February 2020
Open The Book
The Marvellous Picnic

Wednesday 12th February 2020
Parent's Evening

Friday 14th February 2020
PTA Dress in red for the day for £1
Break up for half-term at 3.15pm

Monday 24th February 2020
School re-opens at 8.50am

Tuesday 25th February 2020
Shrove Tuesday
Pancake's and hot chocolate
For £1

Friday 28th February 2020
Parent Pride and Food Bank Friday



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Assembly/Foodbank
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Shrove Tuesday
Tuesday 25th February
8.30am Come along and have a pancake and hot chocolate to celebrate Shrove Tuesday
For £1.

Clothing
Now we are approaching winter please ensure your child wears an adequate coat and shoes for all weather occasions.



REMINDER
Please do not use the staff parking area when dropping off your children for Appleton Child Care Club. We would also like to remind you to please park respectfully and not to block other car owners in when you use the Cricket Club Car Park



School Library
Please ensure your child brings in their library books every Wednesday for our library volunteers Mrs Bibby and Mrs Kilroy to change and discuss

I would like to inform you that our children have achieved an award through TMBC Music Service for their quality of music.



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School Safety Notices

Playground Goal Posts



Parents, please supervise your children so that they **DO NOT** climb on the playground goal posts as they are not climbing frames. They present a health and safety risk and also a cost implication to the school.

Parents please note:

- **Please refrain from allowing your child and their siblings to enter the playground on bikes/scooters/trikes etc due to a health and safety risk to other children, parents and staff.**
- **If you would like to speak to any of the teachers please contact the School Office to arrange a suitable time. Thanks**

School Security



The school has now been fitted with locks on the playground gates. During the school day these gates will be locked when the children go into school at 8:50am until 3:15pm. Please use the main office entrance if you need to collect your child during these times.

Important Safeguarding Message

! If you have taken a picture of your child in school with other children, you must not put the photograph on any social media site, i.e Facebook, Twitter, Instagram etc, as this is a serious safeguarding issue for the other children in the photograph.

If you want to upload a photograph of your child on to the internet you must crop it to ensure that only your child is shown.

Book bags

Following a recent freak accident in a Tameside school we are asking parents **NOT** to send any big bags into school i.e: large rucksack. Your child only requires a book bag or equivalent size that will fit into their pouch.

We are required for health and safety purposes to keep classrooms free of clutter and any trip/slip hazards. We hope you can support us in this matter by keeping our children safe.

School Closure Plan

In the event of severe weather, flood or any other emergency I would like to outline how we plan to communicate with you should the need arise.

Our aim is to keep school open whenever it is possible and we will only close in exceptional circumstances.

If the school's conditions deteriorate through the night and this affects school opening in the morning, a message regarding any school closure will be relayed as soon as possible via:

- Text messaging
- The school website
- Local radio

Please refer to the website for updated information as necessary. If the school is to continue to be closed, the website will be updated with plans for the following day, and a text message will be sent by 5pm.

All these dates and more are on our website www.broadbottom.tameside.sch.uk

Parking

The school has received numerous resident complaints concerning the parking outside on the road and behind school. Can we please remind you that the road behind school is a private road and the sign clearly states this:

**PRIVATE ROAD, NO ENTRY FOR
VEHICLES ON SCHOOL DAYS BETWEEN
8.45AM -9.15AM & 3PM-3.45PM**

Could we also remind you that you **MUST** use the cricket club car park or train station car parks.

Failure to do so will result in further action.

**Our children are at risk of an
accident or worst**

PLEASE BE RESPECTFUL OF OTHER CAR OWNERS WHEN USING THE CRICKET CLUB CAR PARK

All School areas are no smoking including electrical smoking devices, please do not smoke or vape on school premises

Magdalene Centre

Points to consider

Do be considerate when arriving and leaving the centre – especially by being quiet late at night.

Do not park on the main road – especially not across driveways opposite. It can make life difficult and dangerous for other road users, on the sweeping bend in front of the centre.

Do feel free to drop off children or disabled passengers outside the gate.

Thank you for your consideration!

Tony Kershaw.



Many Thanks

Mrs J M Marrow
Acting Headteacher

TAMESIDE LIBRARIES

Offer to Schools

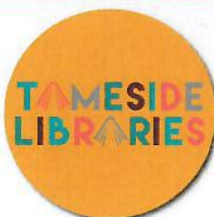
"Libraries are an open door for every child to uncounted opportunities - to have fun, to learn, to discover and to share. They are fundamental to reading, learning, to exploring their identity, and to participating in a society that increasingly values knowledge and depends upon being able to find and use information."

Brian Ashley, Children's Library Journeys, ASCEL, 2015

Tameside Libraries are for everyone! It's free to join the library and free to borrow books and use the computers. Children can borrow up to 20 items at once for a 3 week period and renew them up to 8 times.

There's no minimum age for library membership but children and young people under 16 need permission from a parent or guardian to join the library. This can be obtained by the adult accompanying the child into the library or by signing a library joining form. Joining forms are often sent home from school before a visit to the library and brought in by a teacher.

Tameside Libraries stock books for all ages, including board and picture books for young children, books for children learning to read independently and all types of junior and teenage fiction. There are also non-fiction titles for homework help or subject interest for children and teenagers.



8 libraries
Free to join and borrow books
Borrow 20 items at once
3 week loan period with 8 renewals
Free access to PCs with printing facilities

Class Visits to the library

Tameside Libraries are happy to welcome classes of children to visit all our libraries. Our aim is that every child will feel that their local library is a friendly and welcoming place where they can explore books and get help and information that they need.

Year 4 visits

We offer librarian-led class visits to every Year 4 class in Tameside. The visit focusses on encouraging reading for pleasure and aims to inspire a love of books and reading in the children. The visit introduces the children to the different types of library stock, how the library is arranged and how to find what they want and lasts between 45-60 minutes, with time for the children to explore the library for themselves.

Other year groups are welcome to visit the library either for a librarian-led visit if staff availability permits, or for a self-directed teacher-led visit.

Children who have their own library cards with them can borrow books during a class visit.

Summer Reading Challenge

The Summer Reading Challenge, organised by The Reading Agency and the UK public library network, is the UK's biggest annual reading promotion for children aged 4 to 11. It takes place every year during the summer holidays and combines access to books with fun, free activities, encouraging children to read more during the holidays and avoiding the summer reading 'dip'.

Tameside Libraries offer all primary schools a librarian-led assembly towards the end of the summer term to introduce the Challenge and encourage children to take part. All children who finish the Challenge are awarded a certificate and these are sent to primary schools for presentation during the autumn term.

Volunteering opportunity for 12-18 year olds

The Summer Reading Challenge in Tameside Libraries is supported by young volunteers who help deliver craft activities and talk to the children about books and reading. It's a great opportunity for young people to gain new skills and make friends. The opportunity is advertised in June each year.

Reward schemes

Some schools organise a reward scheme in conjunction with their nearest branch to encourage children to use Tameside Libraries outside school hours, for example leaving a bookmark in the library when they visit or getting a stamp from the library on a reading record.

Digital Resources

Borrow Box

Borrow Box offers ebooks and eaudiobooks to download to your PC, phone or tablet. There are hundreds of books to choose from for children and teenagers as well as adults and it's completely free with a Tameside library card.

Promote the service to children who might struggle to get to a library or who are fascinated by technology.



www.tameside.gov.uk/libraries/ebooks

Encyclopedia Britannica Online

Britannica gives free access to the full text of the Encyclopedia Britannica standard edition as well as dedicated sites at Junior (age 5-10) and Student (age 10-14) level. Ideal to promote for interest or as a trustworthy online source for homework use, Britannica can be accessed from any location using a Tameside library card.



RB Digital

RB Digital Magazines offers free downloads of digital magazines using a Tameside library card, including Horrible Histories, National Geographic Kids and Raspberry Pi for Kids magazines for children.



Magazines are ideal for engaging reluctant readers.

www.tameside.gov.uk/libraries/onlineservices

Open+ Libraries

Tameside Libraries have increased the hours that people can access libraries. Alongside staffed hours, self



serve Open+ hours are now in operation at most of our libraries, which gives people greater choice in how and when they use the service.

During Open+ hours, members who have read and agreed to the terms and conditions and completed an induction with staff, gain access to the library by using a card-swipe system.

Security is maintained through CCTV monitoring and emergency phone and in the interests of young people's safety there will be no unaccompanied under 16s during Open+ hours. Young people can use the library during Open+ hours when accompanied by an adult with Open+ membership.

Teachers who have completed an Open+ induction can bring classes of children into the library during Open+ hours.

www.tameside.gov.uk/libraries/openplus

Library App

Download the free Spydus app to manage your Tameside Libraries account, search, reserve and renew items on loan. You can even search by scanning the barcode of any book while you're out and about!

www.tameside.gov.uk/libraries/mobileapp

For more information or to make a booking, contact:

Joy Merrifield | joy.merrifield@tameside.gov.uk

Ashton Library, Tameside One, Market Place, OL6 6BH | 0161 342 2029

www.tameside.gov.uk/libraries

Search the library catalogue: <https://tameside.spydus.co.uk>



APPLICATION FORM TO JOIN TAMESIDE LIBRARIES

We collect the following information in order to help us ensure we are providing the right services and materials for our customers. We use the information to set up and manage your library account and send you information relating to your account or our services. Full details of how we use the information we hold about you are at: www.tameside.gov.uk/privacynotice/operations

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| First Name | <input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/> | County | <input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/> |
| Surname/last name | <input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/> | Postcode | <input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/> |
| House No./Name | <input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/> | Phone | <input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/> |
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Gender: Female Male Other Prefer not to say

If you are 60 or over please tick

Please specify if something may make it more difficult to access our services:

Hearing impairment Learning impairment Multi disabled
 Physical impairment Visual impairment

Which ethnic group do you consider yourself to belong to? Please tick one box only

White: British Irish Gypsy or Irish Traveller Other

Arab

Asian/Asian British: Chinese Bangladeshi Indian Pakistani Other

Black/Black British: African Caribbean Other

Mixed/Multiple: White & Asian White & Black African White & Black Caribbean Other

Other Ethnic Group

I do not want to declare my ethnic origin

If you are under 16 this form must be signed below by a parent or guardian:

As parent or guardian, I agree to act as guarantor for the applicant. I will pay for the cost of any items lost or damaged while on loan to them and ensure they return the items by the due date.

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| | I DO NOT |

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give permission for them to use the internet. I understand that the internet is unregulated and the library service is not responsible for material accessed which I may consider unsuitable.
 Please note that children under 9 must be accompanied by an adult.

Signed Print Name Relationship

For official use only

Key Card Number Borrower category: