



# Brent Knoll Newsletter

## C of E Primary School

Let Your Light Shine

### Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> September 2025

**HOPE:** "The world is indeed full of peril, and in it there are many dark places; but still there is much that is fair, and though in all lands love is now mingled with grief, it grows perhaps the greater." — J.R.R. Tolkien

#### Key Dates for the term ahead:

- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> Oct. Harvest Festival at St. Michael's, starting at 2.30pm
- Parent/Teacher meetings on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October.
- Final day of Term 1 is Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

#### Dear Parents/Carers

With the second full week of term over, I wanted to say thank you to everyone for the very high rate of attendance we have, along with the very low number of children coming in late. With lessons now starting at 8.45am, it is important that everyone registers at the correct time. In case you wanted to drop your children off early, our breakfast club opens every day at 7.45am, and can be booked for single days, if necessary. Kind regards, Chris Burman



Next Monday, from 3pm, Mrs Bond is hosting a meeting in school for Year 4 parents in order to explain the details of the government's **Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)** which the children will be taking next summer. If you would like to attend, please do come along. Any questions about Times Table Rock Stars and other resources will be shared.

Despite the mixed weather, it was great to see pupils past and present leading the way in **last week's scarecrow event**. The Brownies and Guides, with their volunteer adults, based themselves at the school, and raised funds for the Brent Knoll Guides. Well done to all involved. (Mrs Sinnott, Mrs Weston and Mrs Dickinson will all, I am sure, share details on how to join Rainbows, Brownies and Guides, if asked).

As mentioned in an earlier email, class teachers will be sending home information about what your child will be learning this term. You will notice that some of the subjects taught are now described as being part of an **Inquiry Curriculum** and that the Inquiry Curriculum has Themes (rather than Topics, as in the past) and 'Lines of Inquiry' that are linked to specific key words that link to different subjects. On Thursday, Kingston class made their own inquiry into the skills of painting and drawing (photo below).



As in past years, we have received another very large **carnival mask** to decorate, the children are all welcome to join in the design competition and there are sheets in school for them to use as their template for a design that has the theme of **FESTIVITIES**. A large display of masks will be on show in Bridgwater in the half-term holiday.



If you are ever worried about a child or a vulnerable adult you should contact Somerset Council on **0300 123 2224**. This number is open to everyone to use, every day of the week.

As you may have seen yesterday, the local PCSOs (police support officers) are out and about and they will be looking to advise drivers who are parked on the yellow zig-zag lines outside school.