

Bredhurst Church Of England Primary School



Parents As Partners

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Bredhurst Church of England Primary Vision:

To learn and grow through the guidance and love of God.

Jesus said *"It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest of all the seeds on earth. Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds can perch in its shade."*

Drawing on the parable from St Matthew's Gospel, all at Bredhurst are included and encouraged to grow and flourish; to be the best they can be.

Self Control

Perseverance

Inclusion

Respect

Inspiration

Trust



Newsletter 12.12.25

Dear Parents and Carers,

The school is beginning to become a hub of excitement as we get ever closer to the big day and the end of term. The children are looking forward to the upcoming events planned for the final week.

Our infant children performed their nativity **'The Little Blue Star'** with this year's play focusing on inclusivity and individual worth. What a treat it was! The children remembered all the words to the different songs they had learned; there were so many for them to remember. The narrators spoke very clearly, particularly Evelyn Alderman and Hudson Horton – who spoke with great confidence too. The shepherds, sheep, stars, kings, camels, Mary and Joseph and the donkey all remembered where they had to go! Noah Charnock sang his solo beautifully, how very brave he was and what a beautiful voice! The bumping clouds were adorable! The stars really relished their role, making us all laugh alongside them, Effie Sherwood, Joseph Cripps, Regan Ferris and Joey Avis really stood out with their enthusiasm and energy! The wriggly sheep made me smile. The three Kings and three shepherds spoke very loudly and clearly - well done William Huddleston, Wyatt Chandler, Harvey Sowter, Harrison Watts, William Lindsay and Jack Thompson. Finally, a special mention to Freya Tickner – such lovely singing and with such gusto!

Thank you to all the parents, aunts and uncles and grandparents who came to watch - it was a lovely performance, and the children performed with confidence and enthusiasm, despite looking tired! I must say a massive well done and thank you to the teachers and teaching assistants who work in the infants for the wonderful job they did in teaching all the song words, making sure the children knew where they needed to be, organising and making costumes. Christmas really would not be the same without an infant nativity,

The junior performance of **'The Little Shepherd.'** will take place on Monday at 2.15pm. We will not be opening the doors until 2.00pm as we will be getting the hall ready after lunchtime and need the time to be able to set up. The evening performance will start at 6.00pm. We need all children dropped off between 5.30pm and 5.45pm so we can get them into their costumes and ready for the performance. The infant children will watch the dress rehearsal on Monday morning, so will be given the opportunity to watch older siblings then. Please remember we have asked that only 2 people watch each performance per family due to a lack of space. Please do not bring younger children as we will not have enough space in the hall if everyone brings their younger children as well as 2 adults, unless they can sit on laps. This year we have 27 children with younger siblings, so that would be a lot of space taken up for children who have already watched the

performance. Please can we remind you that younger pre-school aged siblings and babies really are very distracting for our children who are acting, please try to ensure alternate arrangements have been made for them during the evening. We are expecting the performance to last approx. 1 hour. Tea and coffee will be available before both performances. Don't forget we have the Christmas Raffle draw taking place at the end of the evening performance. Tickets will be on sale for £1. Prizes are: Christmas hampers, a restaurant voucher and a £50 Amazon voucher

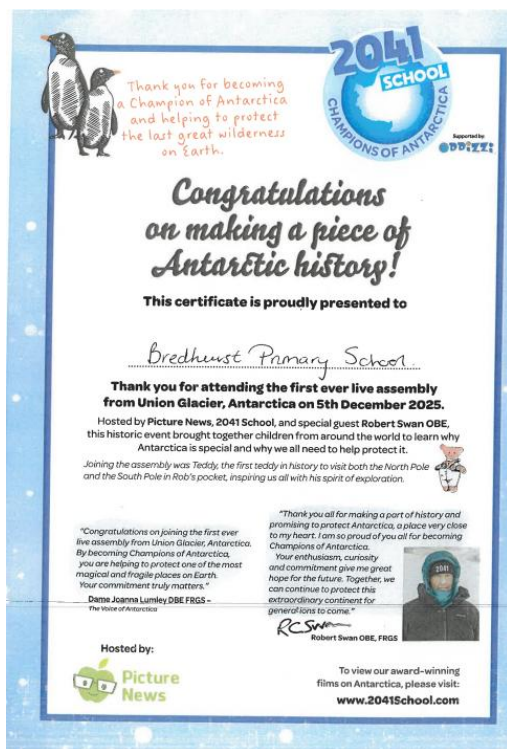
Our Bethlehem walk took place this afternoon instead of Tuesday afternoon. Thank you to Ms Barton for organising, laying out the beautiful hand painted signs along the walk and for supplying every child with a lovely sweet treat as well as giving up her afternoon to do this for our children. The children finished the walk with a hot chocolate, marshmallows and a biscuit! It was lovely to watch Oakwood walking alongside Fir Tree making sure they looked out for the beautiful signs. They are so good with the younger children.

Cross Country took place on Wednesday this week with the Year 3 children taking part for the first time. Well done to Jiya Gor our only Yr 3 girl to enter she finished with a time of 6.21. Six Year 3 boys took part in the Yr 3 race with Callum Williams finishing in 2nd place, Rocco Reid 20th, Milo Carr 27th, Leo Kirby 31st, Edward Arnold 35th and Jayan Gor 35th. The Year 4 Girls results were Freya Jones 7th, Luna Peters 12th and Lily Avis 15th. Year 5 Boys results Jonah Blackman 17th, James Sheriden 52nd and Elijah Snowden 53rd. All the children ran so well and didn't give up which made me feel very proud of every single one of them. They all gained their well-deserved cross-country badge.



There will be a brief newsletter next week, but as I won't get to see anyone now until after the Christmas Break, enjoy the end of term madness and have a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Michelle Cox



We are very proud to announce that last Friday, Bredhurst children made history by being part of a fabulous event organised by Antarctica 2041. We were able to join in with *the first-ever* live stream from Union Glacier in Antarctica. We've been told that the organisers have crunched the numbers with Picture News and they have estimated that **1,003,250 children** watched the event live. How amazing! Already we have had children asking about how to become Antarctic Champions 2041- something we will be looking into in 2026!

Don't forget to fill out those Advent Calendar Sheets, and return them to the school office for a treat on Wednesday 17th December!

Salvation Army Christmas Present Appeal – BE A STAR



Thank you to those of you who have already donated a gift. We will be accepting donations of **new toys** until **Monday 15th December**. The toys will be distributed by the Salvation Army to children in our local area.



Please be aware there is NO pressure to purchase any item to donate, this is purely a voluntary donation as we fully understand Christmas is a very expensive time for all families and we know how expensive the cost of living has made things. Please only donate if you can.

Thank you to the FOBS team for the wonderful Christmas sale, what a lovely array of gifts available. Thank you to Mrs Lindsay for her hard work in organising and setting this all up.



December Activities and Dates

Monday 15th December- KS2 Production 2.15pm and 6pm.

Wednesday 17th December – Christmas Party Day – All children can come to school in their party clothes and bring with them a 'party plate' of food for them to eat in the afternoon. This plate will need to be just for them and labelled with their name. Please put their food on paper plate which can just be thrown away!

Wednesday 17th December – Last day of Term.



Weekly Awards

Stars of the Week

Fir Tree

Forge

Hurstwood

Kemsley

Oakwood

Awards on

Monday



Spirit of Bredhurst

Fir Tree

Forge

Hurstwood

Kemsley

Oakwood

Awards on

Monday



Writers of the Week

Fir Tree

Forge

Hurstwood

Kemsley

Oakwood

Awards on

Monday



Diary Dates

December

Monday 15th

Tuesday 16th

Wednesday 17th

KS2 Play

Bethlehem Walk

Christmas Parties

January

Monday 5th

Tuesday 6th

Wednesday 8th

Friday 16th

Wednesday 21st

Thursday 22nd

Children return to school

Swimming Trials

LKS2 Football Match (Away)

MYG Swimming

Cross Country Yr 5+6

KS2 Football (Away)