

# Bryn Offa Newsletter

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Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April

As we reach the end of the Spring Term it is interesting to reflect back, not just on the last term but the previous two years. Covid has taken every school and every family on a slightly different journey, with the one commonality being how difficult the journey has been. As we get back to normality our thoughts are still with those families who have suffered a loss during these difficult times.

As we look forward to the Summer Term we are excited to be able to offer extra-curricular clubs again. These won't run for the first week, but you will receive the forms to sign up for the clubs in the first week, so please watch out for the letter and form.

Within the first half term the Year 6 children and the Year 2 children will be taking their SAT's so please make sure your children are in school for these weeks as far as you are able to. At the end of the Year 2 SATS week will be the next BOPTA event, which will be a Bingo evening on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May.

In the second half term we start to see the preparations for the new academic year, with the transition days for the Year 6 children moving to secondary school in September. This will also be the time we start the transition days for the children who are joining us in Reception in September. All of these transition events are really important for the smooth transition from primary to secondary and from nursery to school, so it is great to see that these are unlikely to face the disruption they faced last year.

In addition to the events on the calendar, it has also been lovely to see the return of Rotakids and the first of their fundraising events. The Rotakids book sale on Wednesday was a huge success with 355 books being sold in an hour and a half. This raised approximately £170

which was then rounded up to £200 by the Rotary group.

Coupled with other fund raising, this has enabled us to send a cheque for £250 to 'Together We Learn – Ethiopia' which is a great cause. Thanks goes to all those involved and everyone who made book donations, but especially to Miss Harvey for her leadership of Rotakids. You can learn more about the Ethiopia project by following this link:

<https://twlethiopia.org/>



This week we had a lovely Easter Service in school led by Reverend Trimby. Over the past couple of weeks the children have been creating an Easter display which is on show in Llanymynech Church.



### **BOPTA Easter Trail**

Please don't forget to have a go at the BOPTA Easter Trail over the two weeks holiday! Entry forms and the entry fee of £1 should be returned to school by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April.

A map of the Trail can be found on the website.

<http://brynoffa.shropshire.sch.uk/bopta-homepage/>

### **Week commencing Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022**

There will be no guitar or woodwind lessons the first week back. They will both start up again the week commencing Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

### **Easter prayer**

God of wonder, God of new life,  
On Good Friday we remember how the friends of Jesus cried tears at the foot of the cross.  
They were sad and quiet as he was laid in the tomb.  
On Easter day we will remember how their sadness turned to joy when Jesus rose from the dead and returned.  
He brought the promise of new life and **forgiveness** for us all.  
Help us to remember every day the gift of your son Jesus to the world, and always be thankful.  
Amen

I'll finish by wishing you all a wonderful and relaxing break, and look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April.

