

## How can we help you?

If you have any questions then please ask a member of staff in school or at the office. If we can't help you directly we will try to find someone who can!

If you'd like to suggest any parents' workshops or classes in the community building please let the office know.

Our blog / website address has lots of information you may be interested to know and can be found at:

<http://bradfordmoor.primaryblogger.co.uk/>

School has been asked by West Yorkshire Police to include the following message in our newsletter to parents for your attention:

A spokesman for West Yorkshire Police said:

We have (07/02) received reports of a letter containing malicious communication at an address on Barkerend Road, Bradford.

We are currently investigating its content and the nature of the circumstances.

The matter is being taken very seriously and we are working closely with parents and the school.

If you have information which could assist in our enquiries please contact the Bowling, Barkerend and Bradford Moor Neighbourhood Policing Team on the non emergency number 101.

## Bradford Moor Community Primary School Newsletter February 2013

### Spring First Half



The first half-term of 2013 seems to have gone very quickly. Although the snow has disrupted some of our planned activities such as the Year 6 educational visits, we have still managed to get a lot done over the weeks.

Mr Ajaib is now a familiar face in green base and will be developing the science curriculum across school.

Interviews for a new Deputy Head teacher and new Assistant Headteacher have been successful. Mr Spalton and Mrs Lynch will be joining us in April. Until that time we have been fortunate to have Mrs Varley, Mrs Armstrong and Mrs Nicholls working with us in school.

The School Improvement Committee of the Governing Body met and were impressed with the improvements in the environment to support learning for our children.

We have ordered new equipment for outdoor learning and are having a canopy area for Reception designed to improve provision for our youngest pupils.

## Events In School during Spring Half- Term

**We've had quite a few events in school with visitors and educational visits to enrich the curriculum for pupils.**

- \* Parents of children having 95% or more were invited to assemblies. We are very pleased with the parents' attendance too, with more than 120 parents over the three key stage assemblies. Many stayed to chat over tea and coffee. Some photos of the children are available in the entrance area for you to see.
- \* Nursery and Reception children continue to learn about our local community and the people who help us, with visits to the library and post office.
- \* Across the school, children have been learning about different countries as well as our own history.
- \* Parents' evenings were well attended too, we were pleased to inform you that the progress pupils have made since October 2012 has increased significantly. If you were unable to attend Parents' Evening, please arrange an alternative appointment to see your child's class teacher.
- \* Children have been asked to design a new logo for school to be used on new signs around the premises.
- \* We continue to develop reading across school and have purchased additional books for all classrooms and the library area.

## Working with our community

**Parents and the community are the most important people in our children's lives and very important in school too.**

- \* Parents' classes in our community building are almost full—look out for the letter with any remaining places. We have been pleased to offer our building for a community meeting recently and host a Road Safety awareness presentation for parents from the Community Wardens.
- \* Our Home School Liaison officer Sasha will be returning soon. We would like to discuss homework with parents to get your viewpoint and develop a homework pack for parents to use at home with equipment to support learning. Our maths and English leaders will be working on this over the term.
- \* As part of the new curriculum from September 2013 set by the government, Year 3 to 6 will be learning a foreign language from a specified selection. We shall be looking at which languages we can offer and asking parents if they have a preference. It may be possible to offer other languages as an after school club if requested and there is sufficient interest.
- \* Children have started a litter picking group and we are working with other local organisations on improving the environment for our community area.
- \* Senior Leaders are usually out every morning, if we are not there please leave your name at the office and we'll get back to you as soon as possible or arrange an appointment.