**BROADHEMPSTON VILLAGE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**SCHOOL LIFE GROUP**

**Head’s report.**

**22nd November 2022**

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| PUPIL NUMBERS - currentR 7  Y1 10 Y2 9 Y3 10 Y4 12 Y5 7  Y6 3Total 58  |  **CLASS ORGANISATION** * Birch Class R/Y1&Y2 (Jenny Potter FT & Gaby Cannon)
* Sycamore Class Y3&4 (Sue Cleverley FT)
* Oak Class Y5&6 (Karen Barlow FT)
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**STAFFING UPDATES**

* Ellie Tarsky has joined us this half term as TA is Birch class – replacing Holly Reed
* Rosina Kellman joins us as our new SENDCo 29.11.22. Rosina will be working in school on a Tuesday.
* Claire Simpson let us know that she will not be returning to us after maternity leave. She has decided that being a mum is where her heart belongs. We will be saying goodbye to Claire at our staff meal later this term. I am sure you will join me in wishing her every success in the future.
* Mrs. Sue Cleverley will also be making a change, having decided to give a higher priority to her family. Sue will be reducing her hours to 0.5, which means she will be teaching Monday – Wednesday morning. We are in an enviable position as a head teacher in our Trust has recently been on maternity leave and asked to go back into the classroom rather than an office on returning to work. And so, I am delighted to tell you that Mrs. Jodie Talbot will be joining our team and teaching Sycamore for the second part of the week.

**SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN & SCHOOL SELF EVALUATION:**

Staff meetings this term have been linked to our school improvement plan. We have completed training, research, held discussions and adapted paperwork in the following areas:

* Forest school skills and progression
* Oracy & Writing - conferencing to accelerate progress– Jo Woods leading
* Developing the characteristics of effective learning behaviours
* Maths – updates and book moderation
* Behaviour policy reviewed & updated
* Effective feedback – auditing current practice
* Effective feedback: developing consistent use of marking codes & conferencing for progress
* History curriculum plan- review and update

**HEALTH & SAEFTY/ SAFEGUARDING/ BEHAVIOUR/C19**

I have completed EVOLVE training this term – this means I am trained to be the Educational visits co-ordinator. This course includes:

· The Law relating to off-site visits

· Roles & responsibilities

· Risk Management

· Use of external providers/venues

· Use of Evolve

· Submitting and Approving Evolve visit forms

· Managing staff and establishment settings on Evolve (Devon’s online risk assessment system which supports schools to plan educational visits)

Karen Barlow has completed Operation Encompass training - Operation Encompass is a national operation that directly connects the Police with schools to secure better outcomes for children who are subject or witness to police-attended incidents of domestic abuse.

**Safeguarding training this half term is based on:** Lockdown procedures – Ready for anything, County lines – local issues, online safety & sexting.

**OTHER INFORMATION – VISITORS - COURSES ETC**

* 8.11.22 Open evening was a great success – we showed lots of new families around - this bodes well for next academic year! The art work looked amazing and the children were able to show this to parents.
* 16.11.22 Sandhya Dave cultural champion visit
* 18.11.22 children in need was a super success for the School Council
* 18.11.22 Planet & People workshop for the children
* 24.11.22 Governor focussed visit in school – meeting with Jill (rearranged)
* 24.11.22 Matt Tanner’s KS2 cross country event at Stover - postponed
* 3.12.22 PTFA Christmas fair
* 9.12.22 Karen taking choir to Quayside @ Totnes home to sing

**Christmas**:

Birch Class: Monday 5th Dec 2pm @ St Peter’s & St Paul’s

KS2 9th Dec 2:45pm @ St Peter’s & St Paul’s

Jill Ryder