

January 2011

# BRUMBY BULLETIN



## LOST PROPERTY

We have now got a huge amount of lost property which remains unclaimed. Amongst the items we have are:-

- Coats
- Sweatshirts
- Polo Shirts
- Bags
- Shoes
- PE kits
- Mobile Phones
- Jewellery
- Spectacles

As most of these items have been unclaimed for some time, we would now like to offer the clothing to students.

Please see our First Aid Officer Mrs. Worthington if you are in need of any spare school uniform and she will try to help.

Obviously, mobile phones and jewellery cannot be given away. If you have lost a phone or jewellery please see Mrs. Worthington with a description of what you have lost and she will try to help.

We will be disposing of any lost property which is left over before we move in to the new school buildings.

Many thanks

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!!!

**Welcome to 2011** - and what a special year it should be for the school!!

In one month's time we are due to move into the new building at the front of the school. It will be named the Shetland Building.

Around Easter I am hoping to arrange an evening when parents can come round to see what we now have at Brumby Engineering College.

Parents will be aware that OFSTED come to inspect schools, usually over a three year period. Our next full inspection is due about November 2011. In addition to this OFSTED conduct "mini inspections" when they come in to the school for two days to look at one particular topic or subject. This week we were inspected in Science. We were judged to be "good" for teaching and attainment with all other categories being "satisfactory"!! This shows how we continue to make progress, as three years ago our attainment level was "satisfactory". Well done to staff and pupils.

### Uniform

Over the past few months, with the weather being so cold, we have allowed some students to wear leggings and skin tight clothing. However, all girls now should be wearing suitable trousers or a skirt. I will be sending home students who wear jeans or who are not properly dressed.

Due to your support, very few students now come to school wearing white trainers, and I thank you for this. We keep our uniform simple and inexpensive but all students who want to come here are expected to wear it.

Thanks again for your help.

**Dr. T. G. Clark**

**Principal**

### **Additional Closure**

Would parents please note that the school will be closed to pupils on Thursday 10th and Friday 11th February; which are the two days prior to half term (14th to 18th February)

This is to enable staff to move equipment and materials into the new building, so that everything will be ready for when the pupils return on Monday 21st February

# New Year Resolutions

**A New Year's Resolution is something that goes in one year and out the other!**

**I will not bore my Teacher by giving the same excuse for a lack of homework.**

**I will think of new one's!**

**"For last year's words belong to last year's language and next year's words await another voice.**

**And to make an end is to make a beginning"**

**T. S. Eliot**



The Roman emperor Julius Caesar officially declared

**January 1** to be a New Year in **46 B.C.** Romans worshiped the God Janus who had two faces, one looking forward and the other looking backward. The month of January was named after this Roman God and it gave an idea to the emperor to establish January as a gate to the New Year.

## SKI TRIP to Aosta, Italy December 2011

The Brumby Engineering College Ski and Snowboarding Trip to Aosta, Italy, which ran in December was a huge success.

The pupils involved thoroughly enjoyed the experience and found it to be very rewarding.

The trip offers Brumby pupils a unique chance to ski or snowboard in a high standard resort with full tuition

The trip also offers excellent Aprés Ski entertainment fully included in the price, allowing the pupils to enjoy an authentic Italian Pizza Night, Ice Skating, Bowling, an Arcade and Disco and much much more.....



### Arriving Late to school

Please remember that school starts promptly at 8.25am. All students should be here and ready to start work at this time. The school gates will be locked at 8.30am, students arriving after this time must report to the main office and explain the reason for their lateness. They may be issued with a detention if the reason offered is not justifiable. Registers will close at 9.00am and students arriving after this time will be marked with an unauthorised late after the close of registers which counts as a statistical absence in accordance with government guidelines.

It is a legal requirement that your child is registered at both roll call registrations – morning and afternoon.

Minutes late each day	=	Dates lost per school year
5 mins	=	3 days
10 mins	=	6.5 days
15 mins	=	10 days
20 mins	=	13 days
30 mins	=	19 days

### Attendance Officers





# SAFER SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP



Brumby will be joining other schools in the area by providing a permanent police base within the school building. The aim of the project is to improve on the already close working relationship we have with Humberside Police and to include:

- Reduce crime, anti-social behaviour and victimisation amongst young people and reduce the number of incidents and crimes both in school and the wider community;
- Challenge unacceptable behaviour and help students develop a respect for themselves and their community;
- To ensure that young people remain in education and achieve their full potential.

Other schools in the area have reported a number of benefits from the project including:

- Improved student safety and safer communities;
- Reduced rates of truancy and exclusions
- Reduction in anti-social behaviour;
- Improve relations between students and the police;
- Greater access for parents to the police;
- addressing issues as they arise

**PCSO Nigel Grant**



PCSO Grant will be based in school for a minimum of 4 hours a week. The times will vary but the College office will have a planned time-table. A 3 weekly surgery will be provided in school with access to students, parents and teachers. This will be during term time but facilities will be available during holidays as well.

The project will start after half term on February 23<sup>rd</sup>. If you do not want your child to be spoken to by the police on direct issues please contact Mr Webster at the College.



## EXPRESSIVE ARTS DEPARTMENT

After a very successful Carol Concert at 'The House' the Expressive Arts Department are now working towards the School Production to be performed in the summer term.

"School Days" will involve pupils from both lower and upper school and will integrate music, dance, drama and singing in an original presentation.

Rehearsals are underway and we all look forward to the future month's ahead and the 'putting together' of this production.

Lower School are working towards their production to be performed at the Junior Feeder Primary Schools in the summer term, and all the staff involved in both are very excited to be using the new school hall as a performance area.

*Mrs. G. E. Sowerby*

### BOYS PE CLUBS

<b>Tuesday Lunchtime</b>	-	<b>Table Tennis</b>
<b>Tuesdays 3.00 to 4.00</b>	<b>Yrs 7, 8 &amp; 9</b>	- <b>Rugby</b>
<b>Wednesday 3.00 to 4.00</b>	<b>Yrs 10 &amp; 11</b>	- <b>Rugby</b>
<b>Thursday 3.00 to 4.00 Multi Sports Club in Sports Hall</b>		





## MUSIC DEPARTMENT NEWS

The music department is now well established in its new area. Santa was working overtime and delivered 19 imacs with midi keyboards and midi interfaces (which allows guitarists and vocalists to record straight in the imac) at the beginning of this term which has seen teaching in the department transformed. The software we are running on our imacs is the same software used in professional recording studios. We are very fortunate to have this technology and I am sure many other schools would be envious of our resources. In the near future we hope to have sessions where parent's can come and experience the music making that their children are enjoying.

In June we will be hosting the Secondary Schools Music Celebration. This will involve 160 pupils from other secondary schools within the authority, as well as Brumby pupils, taking part in a massive one day workshop and a concert in our amphitheatre in the evening. This is a very prestigious event and a privilege to have been asked to host it.

All nine steel pan groups are busy rehearsing for our special summer concert this year. We are hoping to perform in the barmy hot summer sun sipping cool cocktails (non alcoholic of course) in the schools new amphitheatre one evening in July. Hopefully no wellies will be needed!

Congratulations goes out to our ex-pupils Chris Francis and Joel Thomson and their band "The Wednesday Club", it looks like they will be supporting JLS in concert, in July, at the Keepmoat Stadium Doncaster.

*Mrs. Letherland*

### CALENDER DATES

Tuesday 25th January 2011	-	Year 11 Parents Evening
Thursday 3rd February 2011	-	Year 10 Parents Evening
Thursday 10th February to Monday 21st February 2011	-	Half term (10th/11th is additional closure for moving into new block)
14th March - 25th March 2011	-	Year 10 Work Experience fortnight
Thursday 17th March 2011	-	Year 9 Parents Evening/Options Evening
25th March 2011	-	Year 9 Science and Engineering Day
Friday 8th April to Wednesday 27th April 2011	-	Easter break
Friday 29th April 2011	-	Bank Holiday (Royal Wedding)
Monday 2nd May 2011	-	May Day Bank Holiday
Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June 2011	-	Half term
Wednesday 15th June 2011	-	New Starters Evening
Tuesday 21st June 2011	-	Year 7 Parents Evening
Thursday 23rd June 2011	-	Year 8 Parents Evening
Tuesday 28th June 2011	-	Year 10 Parents Evening
Thursday 30th June 2011	-	Year 7 Science and Engineering Day
Monday 4th July 2011	-	Presentation Evening
Wednesday 13th July 2011	-	Year 8 Science and Engineering Day
Thursday 21st July 2011	-	School Closes for Summer Breal