

Dear Parents,

It was wonderful to meet with a group of parents this week to discuss our plans for promoting positive behaviour across the school. I am very lucky to have such an active community of parents and I know there were others who would have liked to have been there but couldn't. Thank you to those who shared their views by email and thank you also to those parents who gave up their time to attend.

Lucy Potts, a parent of children in Years 1 and 3, has kindly agreed to summarise the meeting below. Behaviour and relationships will form the topic of our staff training after half term, so please look out for further communication on this in the coming weeks.

<u>Behaviour Meeting Summary – written by Lucy Potts</u>

Mr Thomas explained that since joining Bradway, he has had a clear vision of how he would like the behaviour of the children in school to be managed by staff. This will mean a change from the current behaviour management strategies to a relationship-focused system, which puts emphasis on staff to understand that all behaviour is communication; that consistency in approach is key and that children's individual needs will be understood and supported. It is clear that Mr Thomas and his team are wanting to make a real change, but they acknowledged that such changes can take some time. The work required to implement these changes is an objective on the School Improvement Plan which is regularly reviewed by Governors.

Many thanks to Mr Thomas for inviting us to be a part of the consultation; we, as parents, were able to share our thoughts and experiences and we felt that these were heard. Such meetings, Friday praise assemblies, data point entry forms being sent home and communication on SeeSaw is really helping to strengthen the relationships between home and school and is very much appreciated.

Staff Training Day

Although it's not the last week of term yet, I wanted to remind everyone that the children will return to school on Tuesday 20th February.

Teaching Assistant Job

We are currently recruiting for Teaching Assistants. If you know of anyone who may be interested in this role, please share this link: <u>TA Level 3 for KS2 at Bradway Primary School | Sheffield City Council</u>







<u>Attendance Mini-Series – The Weather</u>

Whether it be slippery roads, strong winds or heavy snow, sometimes the weather can make life difficult for us on the school run. That said, we encourage you to consider all available travel options if you're unable to travel in the usual way. It could be that public transport is more suitable, or that a friend could offer some support.

If you believe it would be unsafe to travel, you need to let us know as soon as possible and we might be able to reassure you with details of local conditions. In exceptional circumstances, if the school is closed, we will always let you know on our website and through communication channels so there's no need to guess.

As parents and carers, it is important we model resilience and problem-solving to our children and overcoming inclement weather can provide a good opportunity for this.

I hope everyone enjoys a restful weekend. We look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday morning.

Mr Chris Thomas Headteacher



