



BRINKWORTH EARL DANBY'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Serving the communities of Brinkworth and Dauntsey

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Believe to Achieve! "Roots will grow down into God's love and keep us strong" EPH 3:17

Community Policy

Introduction

Brinkworth Earl Danby's School serves two communities and as such has important links with both local communities. Children meet members of the local community who come in to School to work with them, and the children also take part in activities organised by the local community.

It is important for the cultural development of the children that they fully utilise the opportunities and experiences available in and from their local communities. It is hoped that this will enrich their experience of School and contribute to their learning.

Links with parents

Parents are kept fully up-to-date with how their children are performing at school and also about any activities that the School is taking part in.

Parents are invited to parents evening twice a year and receive a written report on their child's progress in the summer term. Parents receive a monthly newsletter informing them of school dates, information and forthcoming activities and events. Every term parents receive class letters informing them about the curriculum coverage for that term.

Reading record books are sent home with all reading books allowing the parent to comment on the work and pass that information back to the child's teacher.

Parents are encouraged to support their children with their homework.

All information is also published on the school's website www.brinkworthearldanbys.wilts.sch.uk

Adults in School

In addition to the teaching staff, adults are encouraged to come in to school to work with the children. Parents and others are invited to watch performances given by the children. Each class leads an assembly during the year and parents are invited to these. Parents are also invited to support the children during weekend and evening football and netball matches.

Parents also help by accompanying classes on educational trips and with swimming.

Links with the Church and Diocese

Being a church school, Brinkworth Earl Danby's holds regular assemblies and other functions in the local church. Parents and other members of the local community are invited to these. Members from the community may be invited to lead assemblies.

In addition, members of the school are encouraged to take part in church activities outside of school time.

Links with the local community

The School seeks to play a full part in the community life of Dauntsey and Brinkworth.

Links with playgroups

The School traditionally has strong links with the local playgroup, which it will continue to develop. The older children come into the reception class for short periods before they start School.

Links with secondary schools

There are strong links between Brinkworth Earl Danby's and the local secondary schools. Year 6 children visit two of the secondary schools before deciding which to transfer to. Older children from the secondary schools have an opportunity to work with the pupils at Brinkworth Earl Danby's when on work experience.

Links with other primary schools

Brinkworth Earl Danby's has strong links with other local primary schools.

BEDSA

There is an association called the ' Brinkworth Earl Danby's School Association (BEDSA), of which all parents, teachers, governors and other associates are automatically members. The primary aims of BEDSA are to raise funds to buy items of equipment required by the school and to organise activities for the parents and children. Regular activities are arranged and enjoyed by pupils, their families, staff, and others.

Prospective parents

Parents considering sending their child to Brinkworth Earl Danby's are welcome to make an appointment to look round the School. Regular Coffee Morning meetings are held.

Review

This policy will be reviewed as appropriate by the staff and the Curriculum Committee of the Governing Body.

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