



BIGGIN HILL
PRIMARY SCHOOL
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NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM MRS FREEMAN

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a very busy week - we had the Young Voices Concert at the O2 on Tuesday, Buzz Days in Y4 and Y5 and Reception also had a visit from the police (car, sirens and everything!) It's great to see teachers making such an effort to make learning exciting and engaging for the children!

There is an article about the Young Voices Concert on the next page but I would like to thank all of the parents and carers for their support with this event - we know that ticket and t-shirt purchasing is expensive! I would also like to thank all of the staff who gave up their evenings to take the children - they absolutely loved it and said that the children were truly wonderful!

Please look out for a letter about parent conferences next week - we are looking forward to meeting with you to discuss your child's progress.

Can I remind any parents and carers who have money owing on ParentPay to clear these amounts asap. We will be moving to Arbor for all payments from after half term. The only exception to this will be payments for the Y4 and Y6 school journeys - we will continue to use ParentPay for these this year. Any accounts in credit on ParentPay will be transferred to Arbor. Parents with accounts that are still in arrears will not be able to have an Arbor payment account and therefore will not be able to book any payable services including wraparound care or school trips. If anyone is concerned about this, please pop in and see me.

Please can you make sure that children have named hats, scarves and gloves in school - we know that these items can be hard to name but they are much more likely to be found and returned if they are named!

Unfortunately I am going to Ikea on Saturday - but I hope that the rest of you all have lovely weekends!

Let's hope it warms up a bit next week!

Mrs Freeman

Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead

Stars of the Week

Banksy: **Elliott B**
Thorpe: **Dougie H**
Coyle: **Nancy C**
Van Gogh: **Armaan B**
Emberley: **Harry M**
Chung: **Kaden G**
Shuster: **Georgia B**
Blake: **Myla G**
Goldsworthy: **Leonie C**
Eldridge: **Freddie M**
O'Keeffe: **Alfie N**
Leibovitz: **Nicky W**
Fishel: **Nathaniel B**
Warhol: **Amos K**
Aspire: **Sienna F**

Congratulations!

*Weekly Whole School
Attendance 95.3%*

Weekly Class Attendance

*Excellent attendance 'gold'
98-100%*

Blake - 99.2%

Attendance 'green' 96-97.9%

Thorpe - 96.6%
Eldridge - 96.7%
Leibovitz - 96.1%

Well Done!

HOUSE POINTS

1st Holmes
2nd Attenborough
3rd Hawking
4th Rowling

Wear it Red - Thursday 8th February



On the last day of half term School Council will be raising money for The Children's Heart Federation by asking all children to come dressed in school uniform but wearing one item which is red for a donation of £1. Each year the CHF works with children who have a heart condition and their families. We are proud to be supporting this amazing charity and look forward to seeing lots of red!

RSPB Bird Watch



26-28 January 2024

RSPB - Bird Watch 26-28th January

The Eco Club will be taking part in this year's RSPB annual bird watch from 26th-28th January. We will be making bird feeders to encourage birds to visit the children's gardens. On the 29th we will be collating all the birds that the children have spotted and entering these on the RSPB bird watch website. If other children are interested in taking part please come and see Mrs Snelling before Thursday 25th January.

DIARY DATES

Keep a note!

2024

24th January 4G Class Assembly
9am KS2 Hall

29th January Ambassador
Assembly 9am - invitation
only (YR-3 KS 1 Hall / Y4-6
KS2 Hall)

31st January 2C Class Assembly
9am KS1 Hall

2nd February Maths/NSPCC
Number Day

2nd February - Friends Event -
Bingo and Bubbles 7.30pm -
KS2 Hall - ticket only event

7th February 5LR Class Assembly
9am KS2 Hall

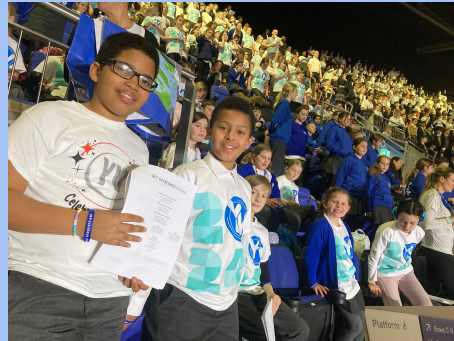
**Parents Conferences w/c 5th
Feb full details to be
confirmed**

Half Term - 12th - 16th February

Young Voices

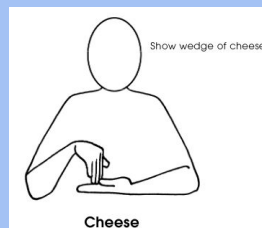
Young Voices Concert Tuesday 16th January 2024

We were delighted to take 28 children from our KS2 Choir to Young Voices at the O2. They joined with 9200 other children to make up one of the largest school choirs in the world. Biggin Hill Primary School has been involved with Young Voices for a number of years and again, this was a spectacular event and an experience that they will never forget! The children sang beautifully and learned a wide variety of songs ranging from The Disney film 'Moana' to Gospel, Jazz and our favourite the 90s pop Medley.



MAKATON

Sign of the Week



**Miss Knott,
SENCo Assistant**

LANGUAGE

Of the Month

ROMANIAN

Hello: Bună ziua

Goodbye: La revedere

Thank you: mulțumesc

Weekly Lunch Menus

On our website at: <https://www.bigginhillprimary.com/> at the bottom of the page. We will continue sending out weekly menus each Friday afternoon as we feel this is working well for families and keeps this fresh in your inbox!



HAVE A FANTASTIC WEEKEND
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