



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 week full of fun and excitement. World Book Day was a great success! Thank you to parents and carers for their support and to the wonderful Mrs Lucas for organising this event.

School Council held their cake sale on Wednesday - thank you for the cake donations and for purchasing cakes at the end of the day. School Council were thrilled to have raised £125.80!!!! Thank you also to all of the staff who helped to run the event and of course to Mrs Snelling who organised this with School Council.

Thank you to our parent/carer representatives who attended the first Parent Forum of the year yesterday. It was a very productive meeting and we will feedback to the wider school community in due course.

A reminder that Tea and Tots - our parent/carer, baby and toddler group - runs every Wednesday from 1.30-3pm. Please come along and spread the word - the more the merrier!

We are very excited to announce that next week we will be having all new playground markings on the KS1 playground and a few additional markings on the KS2 playground. This project is being funded by the Friends and we would therefore like to thank not only the Friends for their amazing work but to each and everyone of you who has supported a Friends run event. Your money is being put to good use! We will share photos of the children enjoying the new playground markings as soon as they are complete! Please see photos of some of the designs below.

Finally, if you havent already done so, please complete the child survey that Mrs Sargeant sent out; it is really important to us to gather the views of children from across the school.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Freeman

Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead

Stars of the Week

Banksy: **Bella A**
Thorpe: **Woody N**
Coyle: **Nina C**
Van Gogh: **Rocco L**
Emberley: **Naomi D**
Chung: **Amelia A**
Shuster: **Elinam K**
Blake: **James S**
Goldsworthy: **Harrison E**
Eldridge: **James C**
O'Keeffe: **Travis L**
Leibovitz: **Grace O**
Fishel: **Edward S**
Warhol: **Frankie Y-G**
Aspire: **Esme S**

Congratulations!

*Weekly Whole School
Attendance 95%*

Weekly Class Attendance

*Excellent attendance 'gold'
98-100%*

O'Keeffe - 98.4%
Fishel - 99.2%

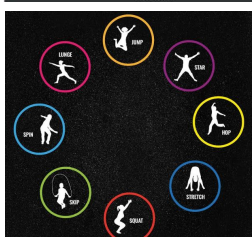
Attendance 'green' 96-97.9%

Coyle - 96.9%
Shuster 96.2%
Goldsworthy - 96.3%

Well Done!

HOUSE POINTS

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



Olive Update

Olive will not be in school quite as much over the next few weeks. Olive loves playing with the children at playtime, but she is really struggling when she is left on her own in my office - she cries and scratches until I return; I am going to work on this with her over the next few weeks. She will be on the gate on a Monday and then is going to spend some time with a local dog walker whilst I am in meetings etc. We hope that she will be back to spending more time in school very soon.

DIARY DATES

Keep a note!

13th March - 3B Class Assembly - 9am
KS2 Hall

W/C 18th March - Science Week

20th March - 1C Class Assembly - 9am
KS1 Hall

W/C 25th March - Neurodiversity /
Good to be me Awareness Week

27th March - Easter Egg Hunt and
bonnet competition - Friends
Event

28th March - HT Awards Assembly -
invite only

28th March - last day of term

29th March - 12th April Easter Holiday

22nd April - Ambassador Assembly -
invite only

24th April - Banksy Class Assembly -
9am KS1 hall

Upcoming Friends Events:

24th May - Sponsored Bounce

28th June - Colour Run & Summer Fair
(after Sports Day)

World Book Day!!!

The children had a fantastic time celebrating World Book Day this week. The school was full of creativity and fun as the children came into school in their costumes. We had a number of fairytale princesses plus a few frogs, various members of Hogwarts, at least 6 Willy Wonkas and even a wardrobe! In class, the children shared stories with children from another year group, discussed their favourite books and rehearsed the skill of storytelling. Thank you to our parents for supporting the children with their costumes, buying books from our book fair and for coming into read with the children at the end of the day. It was such a positive day for everyone involved.

Well done to our winners of our competitions:

Best World Cloud - Rudi C

Best Book in a Box - Emma and Grace O. and James J. It was incredibly difficult to choose the winners as the standard was so high. The following children should also be highly commended - Daisy D, Cami T and Levanna T. Thank you to everyone for taking part.



MAKATON

Sign of the Week



Book

**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!