



## MESSAGE FROM MRS FREEMAN



Dear Parents and Carers,

I was very sorry to have written to you all on Monday to advise you of the need for extra precautions in the run up to Christmas. Since enacting our outbreak management plan, I am pleased to say that the number of confirmed cases has not increased and though it is an ever changing picture, we are confident that the additional measures that we have in place will help to limit transmission.

I also wrote to families on Wednesday to lay out our alternative Christmas plans and we are very happy to be able to invite parents and carers to our outside Christmas singalongs next week. As per my letter, you will be able to see your child sing as well as purchase sweet cones, hot chocolate cones, reindeer food and craft packs. We will also be selling the crafts that the children have made. Our PPA room will be set up as the bottle tombola for the week and parents/carers will be able to purchase tickets for this before and after the performances. Please bring some change, your mask and wrap up very warm! There will be refreshments provided. Our pre-school singalong (which was already taking place outside) will go ahead as originally planned.

The Friends will be drawing the raffle today - a member of the Friends or staff will be in contact with all winners. Please note, prizes will need to be collected during the last week of term - thank you to everyone who has bought tickets.

The children very much enjoyed the Secrets Room, which was organised and managed by the Friends of BHPS. They were inundated with requests and it was fabulous of them to provide this shopping opportunity for the children. Thank you to the Friends for this brilliant event for our children!

We were very sad to cancel our 'Tea and Tots' Christmas party this week. I know Mrs Sargeant has been in contact with all the families and made arrangements for these very young children to receive a little something from Santa! Thank you to Mrs Sargeant and Mrs Helps for organising this - they were so disappointed that it could not go ahead.

On Wednesday, year R, 1 and 2 enjoyed the Panto. Most of the children loved it! We are very sorry not to have been able to bring this to all the children this year.

Thank you all for your generosity towards Bromley Foodbank - we were delighted, on behalf of our school community, to be able to pass this wonderful collection to them on Wednesday.

Today has been Christmas Jumper Day in aid of 'Save the Children'.

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## STARS OF THE WEEK

Ludwig van Beethoven:  
**Millie-Jayne W**

Eileen Collins: **Albie M**  
Tim Peake: **Phoebe H**  
Eugenie Clark: **Millie A**  
Greta Thunberg: **Emrys S**  
Josephine Baker: **Elsie K**  
Jesse Owens: **Alex E**  
Lek Chailert: **Sammy S**  
Marcus Rashford: **Poppy S**  
Louis Braille: **Chloe G**  
Leonardo Da Vinci: **Logan B**  
Ida B. Wells: **Alfie M**  
Mo Farah: **Kayla L**  
Laura Dekker: **Josh C**  
Jessica Ennis-Hill: **Dylan A**

*'Congratulations'*

*Weekly Whole School  
Attendance 91.6%*

**Weekly Class Attendance  
(Thursday to Thursday)**

*Excellent attendance 'gold'*  
**98-100%**

*Good attendance 'green'*  
**96-97.9%**

**Lek Chailert: 96.4%**

*At BHPS every school  
day matters.*

## HOUSE POINTS

1st: **ATTENBOROUGH** 2nd: **HOLMES**  
3rd: **ROWLING** 4th: **HAWKING**

*'Congratulations to our winners this week'*

## MESSAGE FROM MRS FREEMAN

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Thank you again for giving so generously this morning. To find out more about the work of this amazing charity, please visit <https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/>.

We had a very special guest in school today and we were hugely grateful to him for making a special visit to our school!

I also wish to advise that Ms McLaren, LSA (Y4), will be leaving us on 7th January 2022. Ms McLaren has been part of our wonderful LSA team for over 6 years and has supported many children throughout the school. On behalf of the staff team here, I would like to thank Ms McLaren for her fantastic work and support that she has provided to the school. We pass on our very best wishes for her new role and the future.

A reminder that our first day back at school after the Christmas break is **Tuesday 4th January**. We have also added our term dates for 22/23 to our website - we hope that this will help families plan ahead for the year.

You will also have seen my email yesterday regarding Boom Arts Academy and their NEW and exciting 'Street Dance' after school club. Boom Arts Academy have already demonstrated how exciting street dance is during an assembly at the end of October, we also hope to be able to welcome them back in January for a further whole school assembly as the children loved the music and moves so much! Boom Arts Academy 'Street Dance' club will be starting on Monday 10th January - to find out more about fees and booking instructions, please visit <https://boomartsacademy.class4kids.co.uk/info/1113>.

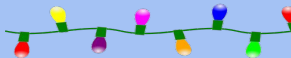
Please remember to wear a mask on site and if you are coming into school for a meeting, or to help with an event we politely request that you complete an LFD test beforehand.

We look forward to seeing you at your child's singalong next week.

My very best wishes,

*Mrs Freeman*

Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead



## YEAR 1 *Moving Pictures*

Year 1 have been busy carrying out a DT project called moving pictures. We started by exploring books with moving parts. We have then looked at how to create moving mechanisms

such as Levers, Sliders and Lift the Flap pictures. The children are very excited because they will then choose one of these mechanisms to use to make a moving Christmas card. Look out for these coming home to grown ups next week. Can you work out which mechanism they used?

*Miss Turner and Mrs Lucas*

## DIARY DATES

*Keep a note!*

### REVISED EVENTS BELOW

#### **Monday 13th December**

2.45-3.15 Y3 Christmas Singalong

#### **Tuesday 14th**

9.10-9.30 Y2 Christmas Singalong

2.45-3.15 Y5 Christmas Singalong

#### **Wednesday 15th**

9.10-9.30 YR Christmas Singalong

2.45-3.15 Y1 Christmas Singalong

#### **Thursday 16th**

9.10-9.30 Y6 Christmas Singalong

2.45-3.15 Y4 Christmas Singalong

#### **Thursday 16th**

Lunch period - Christmas Lunch.

#### **Biggin Hill Pre-School Christmas Singalong**

Come and join us on either the 15th or 17th of December at 2:45pm to listen to the pre-school children sing a medley of fun festive songs. Please confirm, if not already done so, which day you prefer to attend by speaking to a member of the pre-school team.

#### **Friday 17th**

9.10am Headteacher Awards (virtual)

Families of children receiving awards will be invited to the assembly.

#### **Friday 17th**

PM Christmas Parties - further information from Class Teachers to come.

#### **20th December and 21st December**

INSET Days.

#### **22nd December - 3rd January 2022**

Christmas Holiday - school closed.

#### **4th January 2022**

First Day back to school - welcome back!

*The Christmas spirit is alive at  
BHPS....*

*Year group Christmas  
Singalong and Mini Christmas  
Fairs*

*Biggin Hill Primary School.... it  
will be cold, it might be rainy -  
but the show will go on!!!!*

**Please do remember a  
maximum of 2 adults per child  
only to attend please.**

*We are looking forward to seeing you  
all there!*



## A MESSAGE FROM THE

*Inclusion Team*

Hi Everyone!

It is that time of year again where the world is full of festive cheer, socialising and surprises! For most of our children, the Christmas period is a joyful experience and the unexpected activities are welcomed with smiles from ear to ear. However, for some of our children, this time of year can be a time full of anxiety, sensory overload and uncertainty. Please refer to Same but Different, out next week, for tips and guidance on how to manage the Christmas period for our children who may find it challenging. If you would like support throughout this time, please contact a member of the Inclusion team and we will be happy to assist you and your families in any way we can.

We look forward to seeing you at our singalongs next week!

*Mrs Lawrence*



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## LANGUAGE OF THE WEEK

*(for next week)*

**Russian**

**Hello:** Привет (Privet)

**Good morning:** доброе утро  
(dobroye utro)

**Good afternoon:** Добрый день  
(Dobryy den')

## ELF on the SHELF!

*What has he been up to!!!!*



Honestly, the Biggin Hill Primary School 'Elf on the Shelf' has been up to mischief again this week!

## PUPIL VOICE

*Year 5*

**What are you looking forward to most in school next week?**

"Reading Cafe."  
"Christmas activities."  
"Our performance."

**What are you looking forward to most when we come back to school in January?**

"Swimming."  
"Being on the Football Team!"  
Learning a new subject."

**Are you enjoying Year 5?**

"Yes."  
"Yes. It is getting a little bit harder."

**What have you been learning?**

"New art styles."  
"In ICT, we have been learning how to make music."  
"Learning Christmas songs."

## MAKATON SIGN OF THE WEEK



**Miss Knott, SENCo Assistant**

## BROMLEY FOODBANK

*Thank You*



**Our 'BHPS' donation to Bromley Foodbank weighed 147.6kg!**

*Thank you to everyone for your kind donations and generosity*



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*Do you have a child due to start school in September 2022?*

## **DID YOU MISS OUR OPEN DAYS?**

**Don't worry, there is still an opportunity to tour our school.**

**A tour will be running on 6th January, 9.30am - 10.30am. This tour must be booked in advance.**

***Come and meet our amazing children and see our school in action.***

To book a tour please contact Mrs Helps at [s.helps@bigginhillps.com](mailto:s.helps@bigginhillps.com).  
For more information, please contact [admin@bigginhillps.com](mailto:admin@bigginhillps.com) or 01959 575846

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**[www.bigginhillprimary.com](http://www.bigginhillprimary.com)**

*We take pride in everything we do'*

***Our School Prospectus can be viewed via our website at:***

**<https://www.bigginhillprimary.com/docs/BHPS-21-22-ONLINE%20PROSPECTUS.pdf>**



## **PARKING OUTSIDE SCHOOL**

Please can we ask parents and carers to park and drive respectfully outside our school and think of our local residents when parking. Please also be aware of the following restrictions outside our school. We are aware it is congested at drop off and collection - please help us to keep up our good relationship with our local residents by parking respectfully outside our school.

## **SYSTEMS OF CONTROL REMINDER**

### **COVID SYSTEMS OF CONTROL**

Please can I also remind parents and carers to make sure that children do not come to school if they have any of the three key COVID symptoms. If children do exhibit any of these symptoms they should be taken to have a PCR test.

## **COVID-19 UPDATES AND USEFUL LINKS**

Regular lateral flow testing of people without symptoms is important to help stop the spread of the virus, protect loved ones and is in the interest of public safety. More information can be found at: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing/regular-rapid-coronavirus-tests-if-you-do-not-have-symptoms/>.

**Further guidance can be found at:** <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

### **IMPORTANT NOTE**

We are working hard to keep everyone as safe as possible in school. We must ask that if your child is unwell with any of the key symptoms, please keep your child at home and follow the government guidance. This is very important for us **all** in making sure everyone is as safe as possible.

***Mrs Freeman and Mrs Lawrence***



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