



BIGGIN HILL
PRIMARY SCHOOL
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NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM MRS FREEMAN

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been busy as ever! I have been conducting learning walks along with other members of senior staff and it has been a pleasure to see children working so hard.

We have introduced a new reading programme in KS2 - "Destination Reader". The programme develops learning behaviours and strategies necessary to become a confident and independent reader.



Dame Rachel de Souza (Children's Commissioner) has launched a new survey - *The Big Ambition*. The survey is aimed at gathering information from children and young people about their schools, communities, family life and the wider world, as well as their hopes, dreams and aspirations for the future. This survey is for all children and young people aged 0 to 18. Children aged 6 to 18 can complete the survey themselves. For those who may need additional support or for children under six, parents and other adults can complete the survey on their behalf. This is the link to the survey:

www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition

I have included a PE timetable on the next page for you to pop on your fridge. My expectation is that any changes to PE days are kept to an absolute minimum and that parents and carers are given as much notice as possible when this is the case. There will of course be some instances that are beyond our control, but it is absolutely our intention to stick to days as published. Please make sure that black shorts, leggings and tracksuits are PLAIN black. Thank you for your cooperation.

I am delighted to inform you that Tea and Tots has started once again. If you have a baby, toddler or pre school child please feel free to bring them along for a play, chat and a piece of cake! We would love to see you and please do spread the word beyond our school community! Tea and Tots takes place in the KS1 hall on a Wednesday afternoon from 1.30pm.

Have a great weekend!

My very best wishes,

Mrs Freeman

Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead

Stars of the Week

Banksy: **Jeevan K**
Thorpe: **Harold L**
Coyle: **Morgan C**
Van Gogh: **Teddy C**
Emberley: **Harlow-Blu D**
Chung: **Daisy S**
Shuster: **Daniel-Jnr P**
Blake: **Stanley M**
Goldsworthy: **Alex E**
Eldridge: **Fynnley T**
O'Keeffe: **Jago M**
Leibovitz: **Mason McC**
Fishel: **Daisy S**
Warhol: **Charlie C**

Congratulations!

Weekly Whole School Attendance 97.1%

Weekly Class Attendance

Excellent attendance 'gold'
98-100%

Banksy - 98.3%
Thorpe - 98.9%
Shuster - 99.4%
Blake - 99.5%
Fishel - 98.4%

Attendance 'green' 96-97.9%

Coyle - 97.2%
Emberley - 96.8%
Eldridge - 97%
Leibovitz - 97.4%
O'Keeffe - 97%

HOUSE POINTS

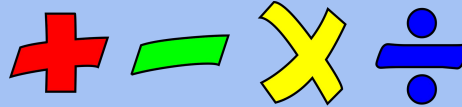
1st Holmes
2nd Rowling
3rd Attenborough
4th Hawking

Friends AGM

The Friends will be holding their AGM on Monday morning at 9am in the KS2 hall. This is a great opportunity to learn about all of the fun and exciting work that the Friends do for the school. The money that they raise helps to pay for a variety of things at school and we are so grateful for all of the fantastic work that they do. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Friends, do come along to the AGM on Monday!

Crime at BHPS!!!!

In maths in year 6 this week we have become detectives solving crimes. We have been using addition and subtraction to solve clues to figure out which grown ups in school have been committing crimes. We have taken this very seriously and have been working in teams, estimating answers to predict who we thought it might have been and using inverse operations to find out the answers.



Don't Forget to wear your PE/Forest school kit....

PE / Forest School Days 2023-24

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	PE Kit	Forest School Kit
Monday	Reception Year 3	
Tuesday	PPA - Year 4 Year 6	PPA - Reception (all year) PPA - Year 5
Wednesday	Year 1	
Thursday	PPA - Year 2 Year 4 PPA - Year 6	PPA - Year 1 PPA - Year 3
Friday	Year 2 Year 5	

DIARY DATES

Keep a note!

- 18th September - 9am - Friends AGM in KS2 hall - all welcome
- 25th September - Y6 SATS meeting, 3.30pm in 6F classroom - *attendance strongly advised please*
- 2nd October - Special Recognition Assembly - invitation only (9-9.30am KS2 hall)
- 1st November - Halloween Disco - time TBC
- 7th November YR 24/25 Open Day - 1.30pm
- 8th November YR 24/25 Open Day - 9.30am
- 15th November - 6F assembly (9-9.30am KS2 hall)
- 17th November - Children in Need
- 22nd November - 50 assembly (9-9.30 KS2 hall)
- 27th November - Ambassador Assembly - invitation only (9-9.30am YR-3 KS1 hall, Y4-6 KS2 Hall)
- 29th November - 6W assembly (9-9.30am KS2 hall)

MAKATON

Sign of the Week



**Miss Knott,
SENCo
Assistant**

LANGUAGE

Of the Month

French

Hello: Bonjour
Good Morning: Bon Matin

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!