



BIGGIN HILL
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NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM MRS FREEMAN



Dear Parents and Carers,

This morning it was a pleasure to host our Head Teacher Award assembly in school. Presenting these awards is always something that makes me feel incredibly proud to be headteacher here.

The children have had a fantastic Science Week this week - we have seen all sorts of experiments across the school and children have very much enjoyed this learning. Thank you to Ms Reed, Science Lead, for planning this brilliant week! It will also be a pleasure for us to be able to welcome you to school this afternoon for 'Look at my Learning'. Please don't worry if you are unable to attend as teaching and support staff are also on hand to look at learning.

On Wednesday, we sadly said goodbye to Mrs Jones who has left BHPS for a change in career. We wish Mrs Jones all the best for the future - and very much hope that she enjoyed her BHPS send off on Wednesday afternoon!

After Easter, we are looking forward to welcoming Mrs Sanford back from maternity leave. Mrs Sanford will initially be based in Year 2, Baker Class.

Last week we also sent some information (year 3-6 only) from STEMkids regarding a new external engineering club we will be running at the school after the Easter holiday. It is exciting for us to hold this club at the school, please visit their website at: <https://stemkids.co.uk/> for both more information and to register your child.

I would like to thank the staff team here for all their hard work during what has been a challenging term! I would like to wish them all a restful Easter break.

Finally, I would like to thank each and every one of our children for all their fabulous work - they all make BHPS the very special place that it is and they make us all so proud!

Have a fabulous Easter break and we look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Tuesday 19th April.

My very best wishes,

Mrs Freeman

Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead

A message from the Friends of BHPS

Today, each child (YR-Y6) will be bringing home some design work that they have completed in school for the Queen's Jubilee. If you would like to order either a tea towel or mug with your child's design on, please follow the instructions on the reverse of your child's design and return your completed order form to your child's class teacher by Monday 25th April at the latest. The Friends will be unable to process any late orders. If your child is in pre-school, their designs would have been sent home with your child on their last pre-school session before the Easter holidays. Please note, the copy you have been sent is the **only** original for your child.

Thank you.

HEAD TEACHER AWARDS

Eileen Collins: **Naomi D**
Tim Peake: **Daisy S**
Eugenie Clark: **Phoebe C**
Greta Thunberg: **Alfie I**
Josephine Baker: **Tayte S B**
Jesse Owens: **Lola M**
Lek Chailert: **Violet W**
Marcus Rashford: **Chloe B**
Louis Braille: **Holly T**
Leonardo Da Vinci: **Scarlett K**
Ida B. Wells: **Alfie M**
Mo Farah: **Suzannah G**
Laura Dekker: **Josh C**
Jessica Ennis-Hill: **Dylan A**

Pre-School 'Star of the Week'

Ludwig van Beethoven:
Patrick M

Weekly Whole School Attendance 91%

Weekly Class Attendance (Thursday to Thursday)

Excellent attendance 'gold'
98-100%

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

HOUSE POINTS

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

'Congratulations to our winners this week'



YEAR 3 *Science Week*

Year 3 have had a brilliant time in science week learning all about plants. First we practised our observation skills by using magnifying glasses to look closely at daffodils. We then cut them open to see what was inside. We noticed that the inside of the stem was wet and that there was pollen inside the flower.



We continued to practise our observation skills when we put some celery in red

food dye. We made predictions about what would happen. We noticed that the food dye travelled up the inside of the celery. We worked out that this was because the celery is a stem, which is responsible for transporting water up a plant.

We learnt all about the lifecycle of flowering plants and fruit trees, and learnt some new words like "germinate". We discovered that blossom is not a type of tree, but a stage in the life cycle of some trees. We looked at photos and paintings of blossom then created our own blossom paintings.

We have been learning all about what plants need in order to thrive. We went for a walk around the school grounds to see which plants were thriving and which were not. We pretended to be plant "doctors" and wrote prescriptions for what the plants needed in order to thrive. We have also learnt about seed dispersal and pollination. We have been very busy!

Ms Reed, Year 3 Class Teacher and Science Lead

DIARY DATES

Keep a note!

1st April:

- Look at my Learning afternoon, 2.45-3.05pm.

4th April - 18th April:

- Easter holiday.

19th April:

- Friends Easter Egg Hunt - time TBC.
- Tea and Tots, 3.30pm, KS1 Hall.
- Netball match against Balgowan Primary School at BHPS, 3.30pm (warm up). Match 4.00-5.00pm. *Mrs Horgan has advised relevant/carers directly.*

25th April:

Young Voices Concert.

26th April:

- Year 4 Swimming.
- Tea and Tots, 3.30pm, KS1 Hall.

29th April:

- Y3C Class Assembly, 9am, KS2 Hall.

2nd May:

- Early May Bank Holiday - School closed.

SPRING CARD

Internal Competition

Well done to Isabelle J (Y6) and Lyla H (Y1) for winning the internal spring card competition.

Thank you to Maisy K and Pola T (Y6) for giving their beautiful card to our lollipop man to wish him a wonderful Easter.

Well done



ROLL OF HONOUR

Cameron M
year 2, for
gaining his
Yellow Belt in
Jujitsu.

*Well done
Cameron*

LANGUAGE

Of the Week

(for next week)

Hungarian

Hello: Helló

Good morning: jó reggelt kívánok

Good afternoon: jó napot

School Council

Dinners line up

Following discussions by the school council, we've agreed to alternate the order that the children having school dinners line up. One week it will be A-Z and the next it will be Z-A.

IMPORTANT

Reminder

Do not forget to return your child's artwork for the Queen's Jubilee to your child's class teacher by
Monday 25th April

Thank you everyone

MAKATON

Sign of the Week



**Miss Knott,
SENCO
Assistant**