



## MESSAGE FROM MRS FREEMAN



Dear Parents and Carers,

This morning it was our pleasure to host our Head Teacher Awards assembly in school. Presenting these awards is always something that makes us feel incredibly proud - well done to all the recipients of these special awards.

Yesterday afternoon I sent a letter (Reception - Year 6 only) asking for you to complete our Parent/Carer Spring Survey. Please do take a moment to complete this short survey as your views are very important to us. With your feedback we can continue to further improve the school and make it the very best we can for all our wonderful children and families.

Today the children have all enjoyed an Easter Egg Hunt, which has been organised by the Friends of BHPS. Thank you so much to them all for providing a little fun for our children today - although a little wet, a brilliant time was had by all!



On Tuesday, Mrs Sargeant, Miss Knott and Mrs Spear also held a 'Tea and Tots Easter Party', which was enjoyed by our babies and toddlers and their parents and carers. My thanks to them all for organising this special event for our VIP's!

The children have had a fabulous Science Week this week - we have seen all sorts of experiments and fun related science learning activities across the

school - the children have very much enjoyed it! Year 3 also enjoyed a 'Light' Workshop which was delivered by Fizz Pop Science. Thank you to Miss O'Mahony and Ms Reed for taking the lead on this for the school. I would like to also send our sincere apologies for needing to cancel 'Learning Highlights', which was due to take place on Thursday afternoon and I thank you for your understanding.

Our Reception children also enjoyed their trip to Godstone Farm yesterday. This is such a brilliant and fun first school trip and I am sure one they will remember! Thank you to our Reception team for organising and for taking the children.

On Tuesday, our School Council very kindly took all your amazing donations of Easter Eggs to the elderly people at Biggin Hill Community Care. Mrs Snelling, Mrs Helps and Mrs Spear took the children on this very important first visit for the School Council. The children spent just over an hour chatting to some of the elderly people in our community. Mrs Snelling, School Council Lead, said 'I felt proud to be part of this event and to show how much we appreciate all that the elderly people in Biggin Hill have done for us.'

Mrs Helps, Mrs Snelling and Mrs Spear commented on how amazing the children were with the elderly people and how much they enjoyed chatting to them all - their behaviour was also impeccable. Biggin Hill Community Care were very touched by our visit and all your kind donations. We hope this will

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## HEAD TEACHER AWARDS

Pyramid: **Louie R**  
Taj Mahal: **James D**  
Giants Causeway: **Polly C**  
Colosseum: **Masha S**  
Royal Mile: **Ronnie C**  
Loch Ness: **Niamh C**  
Sydney Opera House: **James C**  
London Bridge: **Cody J**  
Parthenon: **Thomas S**  
Mount Everest: **Ruby D**  
Globe Theatre: **Holly T**  
Mount Fuji: **Poppy W-M**  
Orinoco: **Genevieve B**  
Wembley: **Lillie M**

*'Congratulations'*

## Weekly Whole School Attendance 95.3%

### Weekly Class Attendance

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

Mount Everest: **98.7%**

Sydney Opera House: **98.1%**

### Attendance 'green' 96-97.9%

Globe Theatre: **97.7%**

Pyramid: **97.3%**

Colosseum: **96.8%**

Mount Fuji: **96.4%**

Royal Mile: **96.1%**

## HOUSE POINTS

**1st: ATTENBOROUGH**

**2nd: ROWLING**

**3rd: HAWKING**

**4th: HOLMES**

*'Congratulations to our winners this week'*



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be the start of a lovely relationship as we have already been invited to attend some other community events with them!

The School Council also held their first Council Cake Sale on Wednesday afternoon and raised a staggering £210. It was such a success, we decided to sell the final few cakes informally after school on Thursday. Your generosity has been incredible and without your cake donations it would not have been possible. After Easter, the School Council will begin looking at what other events they would like to host as well as what they would like to spend the money raised on!

We were blown away with the generous Easter Egg and cake donations. We are so grateful to each of you for your kindness - thank you so very much!

This week, our Year 6 children have undertaken some mock style SATs - these have been held to enable the children to feel more settled and to know what to expect when they sit



these important tests in May. All staff working with the children have commented on how brilliantly they have approached this week and how hard they have worked - well done to them all. My thanks to all the staff involved this week.

A huge 'thank you' to Mrs Chapman for organising the Xmas4Schools Coronation artwork project in conjunction with the school. To confirm, all cards received have now been sent to Xmas4Schools for processing. For families where artwork was returned to us, you will shortly receive an email from Xmas4Schools with details of how to order. We are not able to accept any more returned artwork at school.

Although we are closed for the Easter break, we are delighted The Bromley Children & Families Voluntary Sector Forum is holding their Multi Activity Camp at the school. This is such a brilliant initiative and opportunity for families in need within the local community and within the London Borough of Bromley. To check for eligibility, please visit:  
<https://bcfforum.org/holiday-and-food-activities-haf/>.

I would also like to remind our Year 4 families that Year 4 swimming lessons start on the first Monday back. Please refer to Mrs Sanford's letter sent on 15th March for kit requirements.

As we approach a two week break from school, I would like to thank the staff team here for all their hard work during what has been an exceptionally busy term! As a school, we are busier than ever and I very much hope staff and their families have a lovely, restful Easter break.

I would like to thank each and every one of our children for all their fabulous work - they are incredible and make BHPS the very special place that it is - we are very proud of them all!

I wish all our children and families a fabulous Easter break and we look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday 17th April.

Have a wonderful Easter.

My very best wishes,

*Mrs Freeman*

Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead

## DIARY DATES

*Keep a note!*

### 3rd-14th April 2023 Easter Holidays

#### 4 & 5th and 11 & 12th April:

- Bromley Children & Families Voluntary Sector Forum, Holiday Activities Food (HAF) Multi Activity Camp. See eligibility criteria for details and booking.

#### 17th April:

- Y4 Swimming Lessons starting today.  
- JTA Spring Travel Competition - entries due today (see Google Classroom).

#### 18th April:

- Tea and Tots - KS1 Hall, 1.30-3pm.

#### 21st April:

- World Earth Day.  
- SEN Coffee morning (by invite only).  
- Y3B (London Bridge Class) teaching recorders starts today.  
- Rocksteady starting today.



## FRENCH AT BIGGIN HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

*The wonderful world of languages!*



Salut!

From Year 3 to Year 6 the children learn French.

Initially, most children are very excited at the idea of being able to speak a different language and are very keen to learn. That said, it's fair to say that it isn't everyone's cup of tea - and that's ok - all we ask is that children have a go so that over time their confidence with (and therefore their enjoyment of) the language increases.

Throughout their 4 years of learning, they will be taught a range of vocabulary that gradually builds so that by the time they reach year 6 they are hopefully able to translate whole passages from French to English and vice versa! It's lovely to see their surprise when they realise they can work out the gist of a paragraph even if they are unsure of some of the words.

Although French is not taught in Key Stage 1, the children there are given their first taste of French when we have our French Day - an interactive workshop where they visit our cafe and hear the older children ordering in French. This event is very popular regardless of whether or not they enjoy the subject!

It's always lovely when previous pupils return and say that what they learnt here really helped them if they continued to learn French when they moved on to key stage 3, which is all we want to hear and makes it all worthwhile.

..... Did you know that nouns in French are masculine or feminine?.....

Au Revoir!

**Mrs Blackburn, HLTA**

*Mrs Blackburn does an outstanding job of teaching most of our French curriculum, we are very lucky to have her!*

*Have you tried the language Angels App yet? As well as on Apple devices, the Android version is also available. Give it a go!*

**Mrs Windover, Modern Foreign Languages Lead**

## WE NEED YOU!

### WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A CLASS REPRESENTATIVE?

We are looking for a parent representative for Colosseum and Sydney Opera House class. If you would like to find out more about this voluntary role, please contact Mrs Helps at [s.helps@bigginhillps.com](mailto:s.helps@bigginhillps.com) for an informal chat.

## LANGUAGE

*Of the Week*

*(for next week)*

French

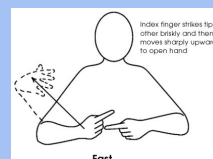
Hello: Bonjour

Good Morning: Bonjour

Good Afternoon: Bonne  
après-midi

## MAKATON

*Sign of the Week*



**Miss  
Knott,  
SENCo  
Assistant**

## EGGS...EGGS...EGGS....

*The wonderful Friends of BHPS!*



**A fantastic Easter Egg hunt was in full swing today at BHPS. What a brilliant, fun way to end the term! Thank you to the amazing Friends of BHPS for organising this for our children.**

## SPRING CARD

*Thank You*

**Thank you to all our children who entered our internal Spring Card competition.**

Our winning designs were:  
Eva L - Year 6 and Daisy D - Year 4

Well done to our runner ups:  
Neave W (Y1), Isabella C (Y2) and George H (Y2)