



## MESSAGE FROM MRS FREEMAN



Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome back to school after what I hope has been a wonderful Easter break for you all!

Easter celebrations were extended by a day for the children of BHPS as on Tuesday we had a fantastic Easter egg hunt which was organised by the Friends of BHPS. Thank you to them all for giving up their time to organise and facilitate this for the children - the children loved it! Thank you to parents and carers for your financial contributions.

On Tuesday afternoon, the BHPS Netball team played their first ever competitive match. We played a home game against Balgowan Primary School and the team really did show amazing sportsmanship, netball skills and teamwork. Although we could not boast a victory, the team showed real promise and we are so proud of the way that they conducted themselves! A very special 'well done' to all the team and to both Mrs Horgan for coaching the team and Mr Day for being the teacher in charge.

At the end of the last half-term, I sent a letter to inform you about changes to our After School Club programme and also to inform you about our new After School Club *Mini*. With the introduction of After School Club *Mini*, we are able to offer after school care and activities until both 4.30pm and 6pm. If you would like to find out more about our After School Club, please contact Mrs Wythers in the office. We very much hope that the addition of 'Mini' will help parents and carers feel they have more options for wraparound care at BHPS.

I am also delighted to welcome back Mrs Sanford, who is currently based in Year 2 and covering Miss Burgham. Mrs Page also joins our learning support team and will be based in year 2 and Miss Ladd joins our pre-school team. On behalf of the staff team, I extend a very warm welcome to our new starters.

On Wednesday, Mrs Buchanan, Maths Lead, shared an update with you all on our Maths Challenge system and the introduction of our new 'Green' level. We also included information on Times Tables Rockstars and a Parent Guide. Log-in details for Times Tables Rock Stars (R-Y6 only) will have been sent home with children this week. We also enclosed an example of the sort of maths challenges that children do in school and also information about a 1 minute maths app, which provides support for yellow, red and green levels of maths challenges - it covers the counting and calculation areas of the curriculum. We are aware that this is a lot of information to digest, therefore if you have any questions please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance.

Today the children have enjoyed 'Earth Day' and this year's theme is 'Invest in our Planet'. This afternoon, children have had the opportunity to plant seeds, bulbs or plants in our school grounds. Over time, we very much hope that this will bring some more colour and interest to our

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## STARS OF THE WEEK

Ludwig van Beethoven:

### Whole Class

Eileen Collins: **Kendall N**  
Tim Peake: **Molly D**  
Eugenie Clark: **Esme S**  
Greta Thunberg: **Georgia B**  
Josephine Baker: **Ava T**  
Jesse Owens: **Harley W-E**  
Lek Chailert: **Olivia E**  
Marcus Rashford: **Noah B**  
Louis Braille: **Olivia C**  
Leonardo Da Vinci: **Abigail Y**  
Ida B. Wells: **Samuel S**  
Mo Farah: **Tabitha S-D**  
Laura Dekker: **Lucas N**  
Jessica Ennis-Hill: **Emilia B**

*'Congratulations'*

## Weekly Whole School Attendance 92.6%

### Weekly Class Attendance (Thursday to Thursday)

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

Good attendance 'green'  
**96-97.9%**  
**Louis Braille: 97%**

## HOUSE POINTS

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

*'Congratulations to our winners this week'*

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beautiful school grounds. Thank you for providing your children with seeds, bulbs or plants for today's planting. Finally, I would like to thank Mrs Churchward for organising both the planting and learning activities for Earth Day.

Please can all children ensure they have a named water bottle and a coat in school each day - thank you.

On Monday, we are very excited to be taking some of our junior choir members to the O2 for Young Voices 2022! This is such a fabulous event that both the children, Mr Devlin and Mrs Windover have worked exceptionally hard for and one that I think they will all remember!

We have had a great first week back at BHPS - have a wonderful weekend.

My very best wishes,

*Mrs Freeman*

Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead

### A message from the Friends of BHPS

The deadline for returning your child's design work for the Queen's Jubilee is Monday 25th April at 3.30pm. If you would like to order either a tea towel or mug with your child's design on, 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 3.30pm at the latest. The Friends will be unable to process any late orders. *Thank you.*

## DIARY DATES

*Keep a note!*

### 25th April:

- Young Voices Concert.
- Jubilee Artwork due back by 3.30pm.

### 26th April:

- Year 4 Swimming.
- Tea and Tots, 1.30-3pm, KS1 Hall.

### 29th April:

- Y3C Class Assembly, 9am, KS2 Hall.

### 2nd May:

- Early May Bank Holiday - School closed.

### 3rd - 6th May:

- KS1 SATS starting this week.

### 3rd May:

- Year 4 Swimming.
- Tea and Tots, 1.30-3pm, KS1 Hall.

### 4th May:

- Outreach session: Dyslexia and Working Memory, 9-10am KS2 Hall.

### 5th May:

- Year 4 Bushcraft parent meeting, 3:30pm, KS2 Hall.

### 6th May:

- Year 1 Horniman Museum.

### 9th - 13th May:

- KS2 SATS week.

### 10th May:

- Year 4 Swimming.
- Tea and Tots, 1.30-3pm, KS1 Hall.

### 16th - 20th May:

- KS1 SATS continuing this week.
- Walk to School Week.

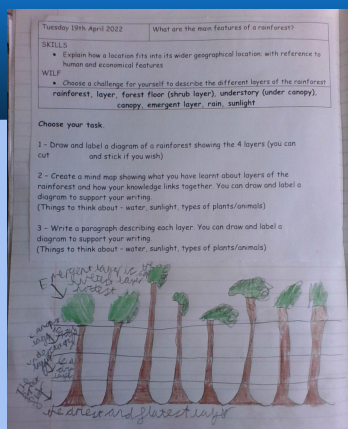
### 18th - 20th May:

- Year 4 Bushcraft.

### 20th May:

- Y1LT Assembly, 9am, KS2 Hall.

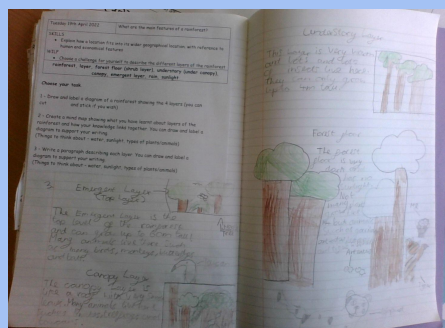
## YEAR 5 Rainforests



This week in Year 5 we have started our topic 'Why should the rainforest be important to us all?'. We have learnt that not all forests have rainforests as rainforests need to include 4 different layers. We have learnt actions to help remind us what the different layers of the rainforest are - did you know, in the emergent layer, trees can grow up to 60m tall! We can name different animals

that live in each layer and what the features are of each layer - some of them are hot and humid whereas others cold and windy. We have also been learning that all tropical rainforests can be found in between the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn.

**Miss Farrell  
and Miss Wigfield**



## LANGUAGE Of the Week

*(for next week)*  
**Welsh**

**Hello:** hæ'lo

**Good Morning:** Bore da

**Good Afternoon:** prynhawn Da

## MAKATON

*Sign of the Week*



bird

**Miss Knott,  
SENCo  
Assistant**



## Eggcellent Egg Hunt!



*We had a fabulous  
Easter egg hunt on  
Monday.*

*Thank you to the  
Friends of BHPS for  
an amazing day!*



## Our first Netball Match!

A fantastic 'Well done' to our amazing Netball team for such a brilliant first match!  
Keep up the brilliant work at our weekly sessions.

We are both very proud of you all.  
**Mrs Horgan and Mr Day**

## Gardening Club - we need your old Wellies!

Hi everyone,

We are looking to take any donations off your hands for our BHPS Gardening Club. If you have any old wellie boots (doesn't matter what condition they are in), soil and compost, seeds (pumpkins in particular), courgettes, tomato plants, basil plants and chives or 4 pint milk bottles (washed with warm soapy water). All donations will be greatly received.

**Miss Gray, Gardening Club**

