



MESSAGE FROM MRS FREEMAN AND MRS LAWRENCE

Dear Parents and Carers,

With the passing of our late Queen, this week the children have spent time in school remembering the extraordinary life of Queen Elizabeth II. In seeing the media coverage over this past week, the children have been full of questions, so teaching staff have discussed the changes this brings to our Monarchy and our country. We welcome our new King, King Charles III.

We would also like to remind families that BHPS is closed on Monday 19th September as this is now a national bank holiday to allow individuals to pay their respects to Her Majesty and commemorate her reign.

On Tuesday, we wrote to families of R-Y6 children regarding trips and/or interactive learning experiences and how these will be managed by the school going forward. For this year, trips will be planned and paid for on a trip by trip basis and this system will replace the annual contribution system that was previously in place. Everyone has been hit hard by the cost of living crisis and in the main, the cost of providing trips has increased. Our aim is to provide three enrichment experiences (either trips, visitors or workshops) for each year group across the year but this will depend on topics covered, costs and availability. Financial contributions towards trips are voluntary, however if insufficient funds are collected for each trip we may have to cancel. If your child is entitled to and in receipt of Pupil Premium funding, the school may be able to use some of this funding to pay for part or all of the trip.

We would like to advise that 'Tea and Tots' (our baby and toddler group) started at the beginning of this term and is held on Tuesday afternoons, 1.30-3pm. This is open to all our families and also our wider Biggin Hill community, so please spread the word or bring a friend!

Over the summer holidays, we have organised and sorted through our vast collection of reading books. On Tuesday 20th September, we will be selling books which are no longer needed for the bargain price of 3 for £1. The sale will start at lunchtime and children are welcome to bring in a £1 or £2 coin (no notes) to purchase these books. Please put your child's money in a named envelope as loose coins are really difficult to reunite with their rightful owner. Children will be responsible for keeping their money in their school bags or a zipped pocket. The sale will take place on both playgrounds and continue after school by the gates. All proceeds made will go directly back to the school and be put towards purchasing new books.

The Friends of Biggin Hill Primary School will be holding their AGM at school on Friday 23rd September, 9.15am. This meeting will provide an opportunity to find out more about the Friends of BHPS and a little more about the amazing events and fundraising they do for us.

Well done to the children that shared their Summer Reading Challenge

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STARS OF THE WEEK

Big Ben: **Charlotte C**
Pyramid: **Ronnie K**
Taj Mahal: **Skyler H**
Giants Causeway: **George I**
Colosseum: **Harlow-Blu D-S**
Royal Mile: **Megan P**
Loch Ness: **Elinam K**
Sydney Opera House: **Fynnley T**
London Bridge: **James J-R**
Parthenon: **Billy F**
Mount Everest: **Olivia E**
Globe Theatre: **Sienna F**
Mount Fuji: **Frankie Y-G**
Orinoco: **Maxwell H**
Wembley: **James T**

'Congratulations'

Weekly Whole School Attendance 96.25%

Weekly Class Attendance (Thursday to Thursday)

Excellent attendance 'gold'
98-100%

Taj Mahal: 99.4%
Loch Ness: 99.16%
Giants Causeway: 98.67%
Sydney Opera House: 98.21%

Good attendance 'green'
96-97.9%

Globe Theatre: 97.22%
London Bridge: 96.73%
Mount Fuji: 96.09%

HOUSE POINTS

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

'Congratulations to our winners this week'

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certificates this morning in Celebration Assembly; it is wonderful to see how many children have been reading for pleasure and enjoying the challenge.

Finally, we would just like to pass on an enormous 'well done' to our Reception children for doing so well with their first full week in school - they are settling in very nicely and it has been wonderful to welcome our new Reception families to our school community over the last few weeks.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Our best wishes,

Mrs Freeman

Headteacher and
Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs Lawrence

SENCo, Deputy Headteacher
and Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Lead



YEAR 1

Animals that are in the story 'Cave Baby'



We are so pleased with how well all the children have settled into the new school year. We are quickly getting used to our new school routines. We have really enjoyed listening to and signing along with the story *Cave Baby*. We have shown off our art skills, drawing the different animals that are in the story. We are also learning about the area we live in and have discussed the different types of homes that we live in, and what we like about where we live.

Miss Castledine, Mrs Clark, Mrs Gilham



YEAR 4

Mysterious object in the BHPS Sensory Garden!

Year 4 found a mysterious object in the school sensory garden. *I wonder what it could be?*

We have been writing news reports about The Iron Man. He likes to steal the farmers' machinery!

We have been learning all about settlements in geography. We know the difference between hamlets, villages, towns and cities. We have also been exploring OS maps and learning about keys.

Miss Elliott and Miss Pluim



DIARY DATES

Keep a note!

19th September:

SCHOOL CLOSED.

20th September:

- Ambassadors Assembly, 9.10am - by invitation only.

- Tea and Tots, 1.30-3pm.

- Book Sale after school (3 books for £1).

The sale will start at lunchtime and children are welcome to bring in a £1 or £2 coin (no notes) to purchase these books. Please put your child's money in a named envelope.

23rd September:

- The Friends of BHPS AGM, 9.15am, HF Office (all welcome).

27th September:

- Tea and Tots, 1.30-3pm.

29th September:

- Y6 SATs and Residential Meeting (Y6 parents/carers, please see letter dated 15/9/22).

30th September:

Year 6 Netball Tournament, Farringtons School, 1:15- 3:30pm (information has been provided on Google Classroom by Mrs Horgan).

7th October:

- Mental Health Day.

13th October:

- Parent Conferences, 3.30pm - 7pm (more information will follow in the coming weeks).

- Wear Red to 'Show Racism the Red Card'.

14th October:

- Parent Conferences, 9am - 12pm (more information will follow in the coming weeks).

- INSET DAY.

17th October - 28th October:

- Half Term.

LANGUAGE

Of the Week

(for next week)

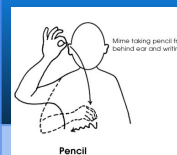
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नमस्ते

Hello: Namaste

Good Morning: शुभ प्रभात
shubh prabhaat

Good Afternoon: नमस्कार
Namaskaar



Pencil

MAKATON

Sign of the Week

Miss Knott, SENCo Assistant



HAVE A FANTASTIC WEEKEND
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