

NEWSLETTER



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MESSAGE FROM MRS LAWRENCE

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope all our families had a wonderful half-term and enjoyed The Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations. I know that many of our families had a fabulous time enjoying local street parties! As you are aware, on the last day of term we all enjoyed celebrating in school - to find out more about our special day, please have a look at our article.

It has been a tremendously busy week at school. On Monday, our year 6 children departed for their residential trip to the Isle of Wight and our year 2 children went to the National Maritime Museum for the day. Our year 6 children that did not attend the residential trip have had a fabulous week and enjoyed a visit to Herne Bay where the weather was glorious. They have also enjoyed a wonderful trip to the cinema and a Pizza Express lunch today! Our Reception children also had an amazing and fun-filled day at Godstone Farm on Wednesday!

We have also enjoyed two class assemblies this week. On Thursday, it was the turn of 4B who amazed us all with their learning and experience at Bushcraft, and this morning it was the turn of 2O who shared all their amazing learning with us. I would like to thank Mrs Buchanan (4B) and Miss O'Mahony (2O) for supporting the children so well to deliver these brilliant class assemblies for us to enjoy.

Mrs Buchanan, Mr Day and Mrs Horgan have provided a lovely article about our year 4 Bushcraft trip which was just before the half-term break. Again, this really did provide a wonderful experience for the children and one that we think they will remember for a very long time!

Later this evening we look forward to welcoming back our year 6 children from the Isle of Wight - I am sure they will have many stories to tell us all next week!

From Monday 12th June we will be re-opening the exit path and would like to ask, when entering and exiting the school grounds, to use the usual wider path for entry to our site and the smaller path and gate for exit from our site. This helps with flow of people and supports less congestion on site.

It has been a wonderful first week and the children have come back to school full of enthusiasm for learning. We are all looking forward to a brilliant final half-term and hope the weather continues to improve so we can make use of our outdoor space and beautiful grounds.

Have a wonderful weekend.

My very best wishes,

Mrs Lawrence

Deputy Headteacher, SENCo and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

STARS OF THE WEEK

Ludwig van Beethoven:

Whole Class

Eileen Collins: Whole Class
Tim Peake: Whole Class
Eugenie Clark: Zachary T
Greta Thunberg: Elinam K
Josephine Baker: Jenson D

Jesse Owens: Alex E
Lek Chailert: Poppy L-S
Marcus Rashford: Poppy S
Louis Braille: Bailey S

Leonardo Da Vinci: Myah Belle P

Ida B. Wells: **Sophie S** Mo Farah: **Jack W**

Laura Dekker and Jessica Ennis-Hill:
Non Isle of Wight children
'Congratulations'

Weekly Whole School Attendance 93.4%

Weekly Class Attendance (Thursday to Thursday)

Excellent attendance 'gold' 98-100%

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

Marcus Rashford: 97.7% Josephine Baker: 96.3% Lek Chailert: 96.1%

HOUSE POINTS

1st: ATTENBOROUGH

2nd: ROWLING
3rd: HOLMES
4th: HAWKING

'Congratulations to our winners this week'



BHPS celebrates The Queen's Platinum Jubilee!





We started the day with music at the gate for our families to enjoy. Children also came into school dressed in red, white and blue so our morning assembly was a sea of Union Jack colours.

Each class enjoyed making a flag and a place setting which was taken to the BHPS Street Party, where Mr Devlin was very much in charge of the disco music! Each class also contributed to our collective art project and by using different media across the school, we have created an interesting piece of art for our Art Gallery!

Each class also made a beautiful card for The Queen - these were posted to Her Majesty on Saturday 28th May, so they should have arrived in good time for the official celebrations.

Throughout the school, children enjoyed being outside, a wonderful Street Party, listening to music in classrooms and taking part in many fun Jubilee themed activities. We even spotted one class learning a special Jubilee song and another enjoying and experiencing music from the last 70 years to the current day! Each child was also able to take home a special Jubilee pin and certificate as a keepsake! Finally, all the children thoroughly enjoyed the 'Jump for Jubilee' and the welcomed ice pop at the end!

We would like to send a very special 'thank you' to the Friends of BHPS for their amazing support, Mr Appleby for lending us the equipment to provide the children with disco music at the street party and, finally, Mr Walpole, our site manager, for making our entire school site look beautiful!



We had a fantastic day celebrating
The Queen's Platinum Jubilee!



YEAR 4 BUSHCRAFT

An adventure like no other!



On the 18th May 2022, 54 children from year 4D and 4B, along with their teachers, Mrs Buchanan, Mr Day, Miss Morilla, Mrs Greenslade and myself, ventured into the wilderness (well Tonbridge hee hee) to survive 3 days in tents at camp Bushcraft!

After setting off on Wednesday morning, we arrived safe and sound at the camp and were greeted by the lovely camp leaders, Jamie, Connor and Rosie who proceeded to give us all a rundown of all the camp rules and regulations to keep us safe while we were there. We were then shown to the teepee tents we would be calling our homes for the next 3 days. The tents were

extremely large and slept up to 10 children. We also had a variety of minibeasts to keep us company! We even survived a terrible storm on the first night! The children were all very brave but not sure the same could be said for the teachers!



The camp leaders explained about all the exciting activities that lay in wait for us. These included an SOS activity which entailed myself and Miss Morilla having to be rescued by the children from a terrible plane crash site! A camouflage expedition where we could all use face paints and bits of trees and bushes to hide ourselves out in the wild. We also built our own shelters and learnt how to build and start our own fire to keep us warm and to cook our dinners on. Oh, and not forgetting Bushcrafts Got Talent on the final night!

We also had some amazing food. This included pizzas cooked in a brick pizza oven that the camp leaders had built. We had 2 huge salmon that were gutted and filleted by Jamie and even myself! We then proceeded to pop out the fish eyeballs so that a few brave children could eat them for rehydration if they were stuck out in the wild. Rather them than me, that's for sure, I have no idea how they managed it!

All in all we had the most amazing - if not a bit soggy - time. We learnt a lot, laughed a lot, screamed a lot and forged many new friendships and bonds over the time we were there. More importantly, we all came back in one piece with lots of memories and unfortunately a very large amount of washing!

Mrs Horgan



NON BUSHCRAFT

Fun, fun, fun!

Our children that didn't attend Bushcraft had their own fabulous week in school! The week started with a fun day of bowling and a Pizza Express lunch. We also enjoyed completing some beautiful art, a fun day cooking, a computing project with Junior Jam and our own picnic and party.



Some of our beautiful art can be found in The Haven, our sensory garden.

A fantastic week was had by everyone!



BHPS Pre-school celebrates The Queen's Platinum Jubilee!

Pre-school had the most fabulous week celebrating The Queen's Platinum Jubilee. All children embraced the opportunity to dress up and participate in all the fun activities offered. We would like to say a massive 'thank you' to all Pre-school parents for your generous contributions to the decorations and party snacks. It was fabulous to bring the Biggin Hill Pre-school Community together on such a special occasion.

ROLL OF HONOUR

Wow! Fantastic achievements Nicky!

Nicky W, Year 3, has had a fantastic half-term. Nicky recently received a Certificate of Excellence for his performance in his drama school (Spotlight) show and has also won a Football Academy medal! Nicky has also collected over £360 for his sponsored 'Jump for Jubilee' bounce!

Well done Nicky - we are all very proud of you!



DIARY DATES

Keep a note!

6th - 10th June:

- Y6 Isle of Wight Residential trip.

10th June:

- Y2O Assembly, 9am KS2 Hall.
- Jump for Jubilee sponsorship forms and money due back today at the latest.

12th June:

- Junior ParkRun - Hoblingwell Wood Recreation Ground, organised by Mr Day and Mrs Horgan.

14th June:

- World Ocean Day children are invited to wear blue. Please bring in £1 as a donation towards a recycling bin for the school.
- Outreach session: Dyslexia and Working Memory, 9am-10am.
- Tea and Tots, 1.30pm, KS1 Hall
- Y4 Swimming lessons.
- Outreach session: virtual session Dyslexia and Working Memory, 6-7pm.

17th June:

- YRP Assembly KS2 Hall, 9am
- KS1 and Y3 Choir & Instrumental Concert (Miss Turner organising), 3.30-4.30pm.

20th June:

Y5 Biggin Hill Memorial Museum (all day).

21th June:

- Tea and Tots, 1.30pm, KS1 Hall.
- Y4 Swimming lessons.

24th June:

YRC Assembly - KS2 Hall, 9am.
Friends of BHPS Summer Fair,
1st July 3.30-5pm

MAKATON

Sign of the Week



Miss Knott, SENCo Assistant



HAVE A FANTASTIC WEEKEND https://www.bigginhillprimary.com/

