

NEWSLETTER



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MESSAGE FROM MRS LAWRENCE

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was wonderful for us to start the day with the most brilliant assembly from Reception, Eileen Collins class. As our youngest school children, again I am filled with pride with how much these children have learned and how confident they were during their class assembly. A very special 'thank you' to the children, Mrs Churchward and the Reception team for preparing them all so well.

I am very sorry to inform you all that a former much loved colleague, Mrs Griffiths, who taught at the school for over 18 years before her retirement 3 years ago, recently passed away. Many of our current year 5 and 6 children will have been taught by Mrs Griffiths and she will be remembered by many of our families past and present. Mrs Griffiths was an inspiring teacher and will be sorely missed by her friends and former colleagues here at school. We send her husband and family our warmest wishes. Over the coming months, we will look to purchase a memorial bench, which we will place in our sensory garden for children and staff to enjoy.

Last Friday, we held our first KS1 and Y3 Choir and Musical Concert for parents and carers. The concert was a celebration of our love of music and singing - this is something we very much enjoy at the school and also gave some of our children that learn the piano in school the opportunity to perform a solo performance, which was truly amazing. A very special 'well done' to our wonderful children that performed in the choir and our solo pianists. Thank you to Miss Turner, Music Lead, for organising the event and as a reminder, our KS1 and Y3 choir lunchtime sessions have now concluded for the term.

On Monday, our year 5 children had a fabulous start to the week with a visit to the Biggin Hill Memorial Museum where they enjoyed learning about what Biggin Hill was like during WWII. Miss Wigfield and Miss Farrell were delighted to report that the children were exceptionally well behaved and represented the school very well.

On Wednesday, it was also a pleasure to welcome our 22/23 Reception parents and carers to a meeting here at the school. On behalf of the whole school, I extend a very warm welcome to them all.

Finally, we are still in the process of finalising our teaching structure for the next academic year and we hope to be in a position to provide this to you at some point over the next few weeks. Myself and Mr Devlin will look forward to sharing this with you in due course.

We are all looking forward to Sports Day and our Summer Fair next Friday.

Have a wonderful weekend.

My very best wishes,

Mrs Lawrence

Deputy Headteacher, SENCo and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Reminder: Please ensure your child has sun cream applied prior to school, has a hat and water bottle in school.



STARS OF THE WEEK

Ludwig van Beethoven:

Isla G

Eileen Collins: **Albie M**Tim Peake: **Harry M**Eugenie Clark: **Theo J**

Greta Thunberg: Violet-Mae K
Josephine Baker: Ella Rose S
Jesse Owens: Megan H
Lek Chailert: Violet W
Marcus Rashford: Gracie W

Louis Braille: **Grace G**Leonardo Da Vinci: **Ellee A**Ida B. Wells: **Kye L**Mo Farah: **George D-C**Laura Dekker: **George B**

Jessica Ennis-Hill: Luke M

'Congratulations'

Weekly Whole School Attendance 92.6%

Weekly Class Attendance (Thursday to Thursday)

Excellent attendance 'gold' 98-100%

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

Marcus Rashford: 97.4% Louis Braille: 96.8% Mo Farah: 96.2%

HOUSE POINTS

1st: HAWKING

2nd: ATTENBOROUGH

3rd: **ROWLING**4th: **HOLMES**

'Congratulations to our winners this week'

OUR YEAR 6 ADVENTURES

An adventure like no other!

We had so much fun whilst on the *Isle of Wight!* Not only did we challenge ourselves when completing PGL activities (climbing, orienteering, trapeze, archery and kayaking), we enjoyed excursions to Robin Hill Country Park, Blackgang Chine and The Needles Pleasure Park at Alum Bay.

Here are some of our favourite parts of our week away!

"My favourite thing at the PGL activity centre was the kayaking as we got to race each other. I was pushed into the sea! I am still planning my revenge. We were called the Single Pringles."

"I loved the chairlift - it's good to look back on that memory."

"The PGL leaders were really nice and kind! The food was amazing because we were given great options!"

"My favourite thing was Blackgang Chine because we ate delicious ice cream and I overcame my fear of rollercoasters."

"I enjoyed going to the gift shops and spending some free time with my friends."

"My favourite thing was crabbing at the beach. We also ate fish and chips and ice cream! We walked in the sand and collected seashells. We made pizza and the best brownies ever! I was a non Isle of Wighter and we called ourselves 'The Super 7'."



Isle of Wight!



"My favourite bits were the toboggan ride at Robin Hill and the sweetcorn with dinner. The hash browns at breakfast were so good. I enjoyed seeing Miss Whittaker nearly cry at the Needles chairlift and having to help her by telling her it was ok."

"The food was great!"

"My favourite thing was kayaking (AKA capsizing) as I thought I was Captain Jack Sparrow!"

"I liked the swinging pirate ship, the water canons, tea cup ride and the giant slides!"

> "The beds were really comfy and I needed rest after great activities. I also liked all of the PGL staff as they made me feel safe and they were kind."

"The Cliffhanger roller coaster was amazing!" "I loved the toboggan race! I loved kayaking, climbing and trapeze."



"The best bit was when Mrs Shepherd caught us eating out of the bowl!"

had by everyone!

"I loved bowling!"

Non Isle of Wight Fun, fun, fun!

Our children that didn't attend the Isle of Wight had their own wonderful week in school! Children enjoyed arts and crafts, a fun afternoon in Forest School, a morning of cooking with a picnic in the sunshine and a Junior Jam project. We also had a fabulous trip to Herne Bay for 'Fish and

chips', crabbing, a paddle in the sea and a day of bowling and a Pizza Express lunch!



WELCOME TO OUR NEW RECEPTION

Families and Children







On Tuesday afternoon we welcomed our new Reception parents and carers to school. The Friends of BHPS were on hand to help families look at school uniform and our new caterers from September 2022, Harrison Catering, prepared some beautiful samples of food for parents and carers to taste.

*** Please nominate us ***

Please nominate our school so we can be in with a chance to win £1000 of National Book Tokens, plus membership to The School Library Association. This will help us to rebuild our genre of books available to children at the school. The more nominations we get, the more chances we have of winning £1000 worth of books.

https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools



BOOKS OF THE WEEK

A love of books!



A classic picture book for younger readers. When Hannah asks for a Gorilla for her birthday, she gets more than she bargained for - a real gorilla appears and she goes on an amazing journey. Look out for Anthony Browne's interesting illustrations.

KS2: There's a Werewolf in my tent! By Pamela Butchart

Izzy and her friends are SO EXCITED about their school trip. There are howling sounds at night, and some sausages have gone missing, and it's nearly a full moon...But it's when they see their new teacher's hairy legs that they KNOW! There's a werewolf on the school trip and they're all DOOMED! A funny longer read for the newly confident reader.

Mrs Lucas, Literacy Lead

DIARY DATES

Keep a note!

24th June:

- School photography competition closes.

28th June:

- Tea and Tots, 1.30-3pm, KS1 Hall.
- Y4 Swimming lessons.
- YR 2022-2023 Intake Taster #1, 1.45-2.45pm.

29th June:

- Pre-school Sports day 2.15pm, school field.

1st July:

- Sports Day, KS1 9.30-11am.
- Sports Day, KS2 1.30-3pm.
- The Friends of BHPS Summer Fair, 3.30-5.30pm.

2nd July:

- Biggin Hill Carnival - come and visit Mrs Lawrence, Mrs Helps and Mrs Sargeant on our stall.

5th July:

- Outreach session: Managing Transition (KS2 Hall), 9-10am
- Outreach session: Managing Transition (virtual session),
 6-7pm.
- Tea and Tots, 1.30-3pm, KS1 Hall.
- Y4 Swimming lessons.
- YR 2022-2023 Intake, Taster #2, 1.45-2.45pm

5th July:

- Y6 Rock Choir Performance Charles Darwin School - more information to follow from Miss Turner.

A MESSAGE FROM MRS SARGEANT

For Year 6 Parents and Carers

Bromley Y are running a webinar for parents/carers of year 6 children on 'Managing the transition into Secondary School'. The webinar is on 6th July and can be booked online at:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/for-parentscarers-changing-from-primary-to-secondary-school-tickets-158544676395?aff=ebdsoporgprofile

Mrs Sargeant

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MAKATON



Mime licking

Ice Cream

Miss Knott, SENCo Assistant



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

