



MESSAGE FROM MRS FREEMAN



Dear Parents and Carers,

My sincere apologies for having to write to you all earlier in the week with regards to parent/carers attendance at Sports Day. I am sure you will understand that this was a decision that we didn't take lightly - the logistics of providing this safely within the guidance was not workable. Nevertheless, on Friday 2nd July, children across the school will enjoy a sports themed day with our KS2 Sports Day taking place in the morning and KS1 Sports Day taking place in the afternoon. Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing their PE kit on this day. Information about Nursery Sports Day will be communicated separately. My thanks must go to Miss Farrell and Mr Day as well as our support staff for organising this event.

I am delighted to announce that from September, Mr Devlin will be our new Assistant Headteacher. Mr Devlin will lead on Achievement and Assessment throughout the school as well as teach in year 6. On behalf of the governing body and staff here, I congratulate Mr Devlin on this appointment and from September look forward to welcoming him to the senior leadership team.

This week, some of our year 6 children participated in Bikeability. This was a brilliant opportunity for the children to learn an important skill that they will be able to use to keep them safe. We were also delighted to receive some brilliant feedback from the trainers on the children's engagement, behaviour and participation.

On Wednesday, I had the pleasure of virtually welcoming our new reception families to our school community. Although we were not able to welcome them personally, we are very much looking forward to their children joining the BHPS family in September!

Next week, children across the school will enjoy a virtual assembly and session all about road safety - please look out for a letter about this in your email. Children in R-Y6 will also have the opportunity to enter our very own 'Perfect Parking' competition and will be bringing home a competition entry letter next Friday.

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STARS OF THE WEEK

Jill Barklem: **Nellie B**
 Beatrix Potter: **Zaine T**
 Emily Gravett: **Waylon G**
 Eric Carle: **Fynnley T**
 Abi Longstaff: **Milo S**
 Michael Rosen: **Khian G**
 Helen Cooper: **Mason M**
 Jeremy Strong: **Taylor B**
 Berlie Doherty: **Edward S**
 Adam Frost: **Lexi D**
 Michael Bond: **Hannah O**
 Katharine Woodfine: **Jack R**
 Abi Elphinstone: **Finlay P**
 Andrew Donkin: **Whole Class**
 Sinead O'Hart: **Harry K**

'Stars of the Week'

Attendance 95.9%

HOUSE POINTS

1st: ATTENBOROUGH

2nd: HOLMES

3rd: HAWKING

4th: ROWLING

*'Congratulations to our
winners this week'*

MESSAGE FROM MRS FREEMAN

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This is a very busy term for us in terms of assessments, events and transition for children. With this in mind, can I draw your attention to my letter dated 17th June. This can be viewed on our website:

<https://www.bigginhillprimary.com/news-docs/Adjusted%20Summer%20Term%20Arrangements.%20June%202021%20%281%29.pdf>

With the exception of our parents/carers attendance at Sports Day, all dates currently remain as planned. I have also added the diary dates on the second page of this newsletter for ease.

As we approach the last few weeks of this term, please can I ask that we all do everything possible to uphold our systems of controls. We very much want the children to enjoy the last few remaining weeks in school with their friends after what has been a very difficult academic year for them all.

Have a great weekend everyone!
My very best wishes,

Mrs Freeman

Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead

THE NHS BIG TEA *A National Outpouring of Love!*

The NHS Big Tea 'A national outpouring of love.'

The NHS is celebrating its birthday on 5th July and is inviting you to join them by hosting a tea themed event.

As a school, we are already celebrating the work of the NHS with our NHS Art themed week, however you can still get involved and host your very own tea themed event and raise money for the NHS yourself. To find out more, please visit:

<https://www.nhscharitiestogether.co.uk/big-tea-sign-up-schools/>

BROMLEY SCHOOLS' COLLEGIATE

Bromley Schools' Collegiate are advertising for a part time administration assistant to start in September. For more information, please visit their website at: <https://bscteach.co.uk/admin-assistant-vacancy-at-bromley-schools-collegiate/>

A MESSAGE FROM MRS LAWRENCE

Hello everyone,
All transition reviews have been organised and will start next week. We have not timetabled transition reviews if your child is staying with their same class teacher. If you would like a meeting with me before the end of term, or the first week back then please contact me via email.

Have a fabulous weekend,
Mrs Lawrence



Mrs Lawrence
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Inclusion Lead and Deputy
Safeguarding Lead
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YEAR 1

Learning about the toys our grandparents played with!

In Year 1, we have started our new History topic. Over the next few weeks, we will learn about the toys our grandparents played with and compare them to toys that we play with today. We will investigate the materials they are made from and look for similarities or differences. Next week, we will have a visit from a

theatre company who will use drama activities to visit a toy museum after hours and bring 100 year old toys to life. For our Explore homework, the children in Year 1 have been asked to talk to their grandparents about the toys they played with. We're looking forward to hearing about what they discovered. In class, we have started to design new toys. Here are some of our ideas.

Mrs Lucas, Miss Turner and Mrs Churchward

DIARY DATES

Make a note!

IMPORTANT DATES

Week beginning 28th June:

Relationships, Health and Sex Education (RHSE) teaching for Y6.

2nd July:

Sports Day - internal event only.

Week beginning 5th July:

RHSE teaching YR-5 (letter to follow).

Week beginning 5th July:

Y6 fun week. A separate letter will be sent to Y6 families about slight adjustments to arrangements.

7th July:

Nursery Sports Day.

13th July:

Reports sent home.

14th-21st July:

Meetings to discuss reports for those parents/carers who wish to. Individual Google Meets to be arranged between teachers and parents. If you would like to request a meeting, please contact your child's class teacher.

15th July:

Whole school picnic. Parents and carers will no longer be invited to attend this event.

16th July:

Y6 Prom. This event will go ahead and will be outside.

19th July:

All Change Day. Children will spend time with their new teachers.

20th and 21st July:

Year 6 Show. We hope that if restrictions are lifted as planned, we will be able to go ahead with these performances for an audience. However, if this is not the case, our contingency plan will be to film the performance for parents and carers.

22nd July:

An outdoor graduation ceremony for Nursery children is planned for the afternoon and parents and carers will be invited to attend if restrictions are lifted. If restrictions have not been lifted we will have to limit the number of adults permitted to attend.

23rd July:

Y6 Graduation will take place (probably outside) after school for parents and carers if restrictions are lifted. If they have not been lifted, the event will be re-planned for during the school day and a limited number of adults will be invited to attend.

The special ambassador and Headteacher assemblies will take place in the final week and it is most likely that these will be hosted virtually. These events will be by invitation only and parents and carers will be invited via email.

ROLL OF HONOUR

First Club Competition



Maxwell H winning his first club competition against adult men!

This is such an amazing achievement Maxwell.

*Well done from everyone at
BHPS!*

SPINE FESTIVAL

Creative Arts Festival which takes place every year in libraries across London

We wanted to let you know about two exciting Spine Festival events that we have planned for later in the month. The Spine Festival is a creative arts festival which takes place every year in libraries across London. This year the theme is Empathy and our events in Bromley are all online.

Both events are bookable via Eventbrite and will be on Zoom:

Sharna Jackson children's author will be talking about her fantastic High Rise Mystery series
<https://bromleyspinefestivalsharnajackson.eventbrite.co.uk> (event suitable for 8-11s)

Wed 28th June 4-5pm

Rob Ramsden children's author and illustrator will be talking about his wonderful book: I Saw A Bee and then will invite the children to make a Rocking Bee! (Parental supervision required (4-7s))
<https://bromleyspineempathynaturecraft.eventbrite.co.uk>

Wed 30th June 4-5pm



BIKEABILITY

A fantastic time had by all!

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Some of our year 6 children had a fantastic few days doing Bikeability!

Thank you to the Bikability team for providing a brilliant few days for the children.



IMPORTANT NOTICES

BEES NESTS

Please can we ask parents to be vigilant when on the school site as we have a few bees nests on the grounds (or in neighbouring gardens that back onto the school). Bees are protected and, therefore, we are unable to get the nests removed. Please ask your children to keep away from the nests for their safety. Our Site Manager is aware and will be keeping an eye on them.

HAYFEVER

For children that suffer with hayfever, can we remind parents to give children their medicine in the morning. If children can self administer eye drops (aimed at our older children in year 5 & 6) they can bring those into the office. Thank you

AMBASSADOR BADGES

Replacement Ambassador badges can be ordered via the Uniform Shop or via our reception area (cash payments accepted).

The School Office



PARKING OUTSIDE SCHOOL

Please can we ask parents and carers to park and drive respectfully outside our school. Please be aware of the following restrictions outside our school.

PLAY EQUIPMENT

Important Notice

AT THE END OF THE DAY

We would prefer that our equipment on the playground is not used out of school hours.

However, if your child does use this play equipment during this time, they must be supervised by parents or carers.

Thank you for your attention and understanding.

SYSTEMS OF CONTROL REMINDER

COVID SYSTEMS OF CONTROL

Please can we remind parents and carers about the importance of mask wearing and of using the correct entry and exit points. Please only arrive a few minutes before either drop off or pick up and please do not arrange to meet siblings on our site.

Please can I also remind parents and carers to make sure that children do not come to school if they have any of the three key COVID symptoms. If children do exhibit any of these symptoms they should be taken to have a PCR test.

COVID-19 UPDATES AND USEFUL LINKS

The government has announced that parents and carers of primary age children can access rapid lateral flow testing. Regular testing of people without symptoms is important to help stop the spread of the virus, protect loved ones and is in the interest of public safety. More information can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and-bubbles-of-school-pupils-and-staff>

Further guidance can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

There is also a very useful 'How we will move out of lockdown' easy read guide which has been produced by the Cabinet Office - see below:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/965011/COVID-19_Response_-_Spring_2021_Summary_-_Easy_Read_.pdf

A poster displaying information about COVID-19 Restrictions in England from 29 March:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-restrictions-posters-29-march-2021?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_source=6de36c48-6546-4e39-8cd7-c14c38c06421&utm_content=immediately

IMPORTANT NOTE We are working hard to keep everyone as safe as possible in school. I must ask that if your child or a family member within the household is unwell with any of the key symptoms, please keep your child at home and follow the government guidance. This is very important for us **all** in making sure everyone is as safe as possible. **Mrs Freeman and Mrs Lawrence**