



MESSAGE FROM MRS FREEMAN



Dear Parents and Carers,

It was lovely to see our school community in red, white and blue on Monday in recognition of our fantastic participation in the Euro 2020 tournament. I hope the 'soft drop' enabled families to enjoy the match!

In response to some of the racist abuse that members of the England Team experienced after the Euro 2020 result, we have taken the opportunity to talk to the children about racism, about celebrating who we are and being proud of our differences. We have made it clear that this kind of abhorrent, racist behaviour has no place in our society or indeed in our school.

On Tuesday, childrens' reports were sent home. We hope the new reporting format is helpful to families. Please do remember that there is an option to discuss your child's report up to 21st July. If you would like to request a virtual meeting, please contact your child's class teacher. If there is anything you would like to discuss with Mrs Lawrence or myself, please do drop us an email.

Our 'Tea and Tots' has now finished for this term. My thanks to our families for supporting our relaunch and to Mrs Sargeant and Mrs Helps for running this for our school. In September, 'Tea and Tots' will be on a Tuesday. Our first session will be on **Tuesday 7th September, 1-30-3.00pm**

Last week, we also celebrated the work of the NHS with our Art Day. We have seen some beautiful work from across the school - I hope you enjoy our article on page 2.

This evening, the Year 6 Leavers' Committee which is made up of year 6 parents and carers are hosting the Year 6 Prom for our amazing children who are about to move on to pastures new! I must say a huge 'thank you' to the Year 6 Leavers' Committee for providing a wonderful 'Fun Day' last week and also all the preparations for this very special prom. We will provide a full article on our year 6 celebrations in our final newsletter next week.

On Monday, we all look forward to 'All Change Day' and our picnic on the school field - we really do hope this is a positive,

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SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS

***Congratulations to
children that have
received Ambassadors
Awards and Special
Recognition Awards***

Attendance 92%

HOUSE POINTS

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

***'Congratulations to our
winners this week'***

TEA and TOTS

Thank you for supporting
'Tea and Tots.'

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Mrs Sargeant and Mrs Helps

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fun and relaxed day for the children to enjoy some time with their new teacher and enjoy a social lunch on the field. Please do ensure that children have applied sun cream prior to coming to school, have a hat and water bottle.

We look forward to announcing the winners of our 'Perfect Parking' road safety poster competition next week.

Finally, Connie S, a former year 6 pupil, is climbing Mount Snowdon to help raise money for Young Minds, a charity that supports young people's mental health and wellbeing. Connie's inspiring story and JustGiving page can be found at:

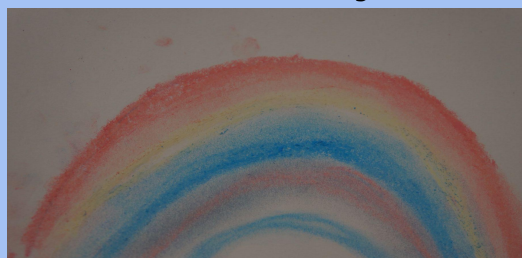
<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/connie-smith3>

Have a wonderful weekend everyone!

My very best wishes,

Mrs Freeman

Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead



ART DAY

Our Amazing NHS



To celebrate the anniversary of the beginning of the NHS, last week we celebrated our Art Day by showing our appreciation for the NHS and the amazing service it provides. This year more than ever, our NHS has simply been **AMAZING!**



Children were also encouraged to write a postcard saying 'thank you' to an NHS worker. Children thought about who works for the NHS, what they do and how they have helped us during this past year.

As Art Lead, it was a pleasure to plan the art activities for the whole school. The rainbow has become a symbol of hope and support for the NHS and key workers across the country with families placing pictures of rainbows in windows to bring a smile to the nation during the peak of the pandemic.



I would like to congratulate the children on producing some exceptional art pieces.

In September, we hope to display this amazing work in our Art Gallery as an inspiration to us all and a reminder of our amazing NHS!

Mrs Clark, Art Lead

PUPIL VOICE

Reception



What do you enjoy most about school?

"Having fun and going in the middle classroom."
"We get to have school dinners."
"Playtime."
"That we get to do work with the teacher."
"Doing work."
"Playing with my friends."

What was your favourite part of today?

"We get to go in the pool."
"Paddling pool."
"Going in the paddling pool."
"Going in the paddling pool!"

What are you looking forward to most next year?

"Going in year 1."
"Playing with friends."
"Playing with cars."
"Meeting our teacher."
"Getting maths badges."

***Thank you for taking part in
Pupil Voice***

ROLL OF HONOUR

Amazing achievement Pola



Pola, year 5, has attended Polish Letter Academy in Bromley each Saturday throughout the year. Pola has learnt how to read and speak Polish. Everyone at BHPS are very proud of you!

***This is an amazing
achievement Pola!***



ROLL OF HONOUR

Rodney C & the Invicta Military-Vehicle Preservation Society (IMPS)

It was a pleasure to speak to Rodney C, year 4, to find out all about his membership with IMPS, the Invicta Military-Vehicle Preservation Society. Rodney is currently the youngest IMPS member and also an Honorary Member of the Normandy Veterans Association.

Prior to Covid restrictions, Rodney often enjoyed trips with his fellow IMPS members to events in this country and has also visited Normandy and Haillicourt!

I was so inspired by the way Rodney spoke about meeting the veterans and how he was fascinated about their experiences. Rodney especially likes to collect memorabilia from WW1 and WW2 and told me that he likes to talk to the veterans because they served in the war.

Rodney hopes to go to Haillicourt, France during the summer to attend an event where there will be tanks, side cars and a pretend mini battle.

What do you like most about meeting the veterans?

"I like to talk to the veterans because they are so nice. They served in the war; it is respectful to talk to them and shake their hands."

What is the most interesting part of IMPS?

"All of the veterans and military vehicles."

I thoroughly enjoyed speaking to Rodney about his involvement with IMPS. We are all very proud of Rodney. You can find out more about IMPS at: <https://www.imps.org.uk/>

Mrs Helps

RECEPTION

A trip to the beach!



On Thursday we had a fantastic beach afternoon! This was because all the children have been very engaged with our 'Under the Sea' topic. The children enjoyed splashing each other and the staff! We had lots of paddling pools full of boats, sieves, pipes, pipettes, orbeez & jugs. It was so lovely to see the children having a lovely time together and laughing all afternoon.

**Miss Powell, Mrs
Clark and Mrs
Gilham**

YEAR 4

First Aid Day

Year 4 had an enjoyable day being taught essential first aid skills by paramedics. Do you know how to put someone in the recovery position? Year 4 do! We also learnt how to do chest compressions, stop someone from choking, and who to call in an emergency.



Mrs Buchanan and Miss Farrell

Biggin Hill Primary School has a fabulous Pre-School 'Pride in all that we do'

Our thriving pre-school aims to shape children into creative and enquiring individuals and gives them the very best start on their educational journey with us!

With our extensive knowledge of the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum and our experienced and committed pre-school staff team, children enjoy a continuous provision of fun and engaging learning activities come rain or shine!

We offer a combination of morning, afternoon and all day sessions, five days a week (term time only) for children from the term in which they turn 3, to rising 5 year olds.

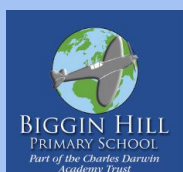
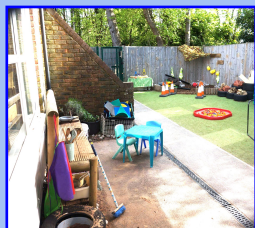
Timings are as follows:

Morning session 8:50 - 11:50

Lunch session 11:50 - 12:10

Afternoon session 12:10 - 15:10

We are taking applications for September 2021



To find out more about our pre-school, fees/funding or to arrange a visit, please contact Ms Claire Wythers, Pre-School Admissions & Finance on **01959 575846** or at c.wythers@bigginhillps.com

DIARY DATES

Make a note!

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.

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 in the morning and enjoy a picnic with their current class teacher at lunch time.

21st and 22nd July (please note date change):

Year 6 Show. Please see separate letter for year 6 parents and carers.

22nd July:

An outdoor graduation ceremony for Nursery children is planned for the afternoon.

23rd July:

Y6 Graduation will take place outside, 2pm for parents and carers of year 6. Please note that numbers are limited to 2 parents/carers per child.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

FIND OUT IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE!

Claiming for FSM can support your child with extra funding at school for lunches, school trips, residential stays and many more things! Please follow the link to find out if you are eligible.

https://www.bromley.gov.uk/info/200086/schools_and_colleges/62/free_school_meal

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A MESSAGE FROM MRS LAWRENCE

Hello everyone,

I hope you are all well and looking forward to the summer break. Your children have been amazing this year and that is largely due to the support you have not only given them but also to us as a school. For this I thank you whole heartedly.

Some children will be coming home with social stories today to prepare them for 'All Change' morning on Monday. This is an opportunity to spend time with their new class teachers in their new classrooms. You may find that this creates extra questions or anxieties for some children - please email me, Mrs Sargeant or class teachers if you need any further support or information regarding transition.

We have been in contact with all secondary schools over the last two weeks in preparation for saying goodbye to our year 6 children - any concerns or worries regarding information sharing or preparation for September start please let us know!

Please remember to check eligibility for Free School Meals as this opens a new level of funding to support **your** children with trips, music lessons, extra resources etc. Ms Wythers will be able to support you with this c.wythers@bigginhillps.com

Have a fabulous weekend,

Mrs Lawrence



Mrs Lawrence

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Deputy Safeguarding Lead
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Mrs Sargeant

Family Liaison and
Inclusion Assistant and Deputy
Safeguarding Lead
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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**