



MESSAGE FROM MRS FREEMAN



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a year!

As the academic year draws to a close, it is only correct for us to take a moment to stop and reflect on the year that this has been! This year has presented many challenges and the way in which the children have conducted themselves has been exemplary. They have shown incredible resilience and positivity and I commend them all. It's fair to say that it has not been easy, but myself and the entire staff team here are immensely proud of each and every one of your fabulous children!

Today we say goodbye to year 6 - we are so very proud of them all and are very excited for the next chapter of their learning journey. With every year 6 departure, we welcome our new pre-school and reception children and families to our wonderful BHPS family - this is always a very exciting time for us all. We are looking forward to getting to know all the new families who will be joining us in September.

This week has been very much about transition, children have spent time with their new teacher and in their new classrooms. This provides the children with an opportunity to get to know their new teacher and surroundings and helps them to feel more relaxed about what lies ahead. Children across the school also enjoyed a whole school socially distanced picnic on the field, as well as an ice-pop which was very kindly donated by Mr and Mrs Allen.

This week, we have also enjoyed our fabulous year 6 production, nursery graduation and finally today, our year 6 graduation. Although our last week of term arrangements have been slightly scaled down, we have tried as hard as possible to recognise and mark the end of this unique academic year as much as is feasibly possible and hope that families have enjoyed these events.

A change in September will be that our nursery will be called Biggin Hill Pre-School; this name more accurately reflects the service that is provided. As you are all aware, Mr Devlin will become our Assistant Headteacher and support both Mrs Lawrence and I in the strategic leadership of the school. Joining us from the start of the next academic year will be Miss Knott, SENCo Assistant. Miss Knott will support our inclusion team and Mrs Lawrence with our SEND strategy across the school. Mrs Sargeant will lead on wellbeing and mental health across the entire school and pre-school. Mrs Helps will lead on marketing and communications. We are also delighted to announce that Miss Curran, who has been volunteering with us since April, will be joining us as our new LSA. Miss Curran will be working in our newly named, Biggin Hill Pre-School. We have also made some changes to subject leadership within school.

Please look out for a letter in mid-august with our arrangements for the return to school, we are hopeful that we will see a return to normality - and are very much looking forward to this!

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HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Beatrix Potter: **Frankie L**
Emily Gravett: **Inola J**
Eric Carle: **Reggie D**
Abi Longstaff: **James J-R**
Michael Rosen: **Morgan D**
Helen Cooper: **Baxter B**
Jeremy Strong: **Chloe F**
Berlie Doherty: **Meila-Rose D**
Adam Frost: **Ava J**
Michael Bond: **Violet P**
Katherine Woodfine: **William F**
Abi Elphinstone: **Mia M-B**
Andrew Donkin: **Caroline K**
Sinead O'Hart: **Johnny G and
George J**

'Congratulations'

Attendance 93.9%

HOUSE POINTS

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

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

YEAR 6

Goodbye and Goodluck!



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For me, the last six months as the new headteacher of BHPS have been truly amazing and I cannot wait for us to be back together properly in September. I could not do any of what I do without the support of our parents and carers - you have all been incredible! The staff team here have been fantastic during the last year and on behalf of the governors, Mrs Lawrence and myself, I would like to thank them all for everything they have done for the children this year.

On Monday, as a staff team we were all delighted to receive a beautiful home made afternoon tea from the Friends of BHPS as a token of their appreciation for all that we do - what a lovely gesture! Thank you very much.

On behalf of the entire staff team, I would like to thank you for your beautiful cards and gifts - your messages, gifts and kindness to us all means a great deal - thank you!

Finally, whatever your plans, have a wonderful and well deserved summer break, stay safe and keep well.

See everyone on Wednesday
1st September.

My very best wishes,

Mrs Freeman

Headteacher and
Designated Safeguarding
Lead



STARS OF THE WEEK

Jill Barklem: **Whole Class**
Beatrix Potter: **Whole Class**
Emily Gravett: **Whole Class**
Eric Carle: **Whole Class**
Abi Longstaff: **Whole Class**
Michael Rosen: **Whole Class**
Helen Cooper:
Poppy L-S and Ruby D
Jeremy Strong: **Whole Class**
Berlie Doherty: **Whole Class**
Adam Frost: **Whole Class**
Michael Bond: **Whole Class**
Katharine Woodfine:
George B, Lexi C, Gwen D,
Ruby F, Leo N, Alice N
Abi Elphinstone:
Aston F-A, Jai H,
Alfie K, Jake K
Andrew Donkin: **Whole Class**
Sinead O'Hart: **Whole Class**

'Stars of the Week'

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

There is nothing like a good book!



The summer reading challenge is back. Last week, pupils had a special assembly from Biggin Hill Library to explain how to take part. This year, they have teamed up with WWF for a special nature theme challenge. It's completely free and you can take part by

signing up at Biggin Hill Library. When you sign up the library will give you a special collector poster map. As you read books for your challenge, return to the library to receive stickers to add to your map - some of them even smell! Collect all the stickers to complete the challenge and receive a certificate and a medal. We would like as many children as possible to take up the challenge and enjoy reading over the summer. Children who complete the challenge can wear their medal and bring their certificate into school on Friday 4th September.

Mrs Lucas, Literacy Lead (Sept 2021)

YEAR 6

Goodbye and Goodluck!

Our year 6 children have enjoyed a fabulous few weeks in school. A wonderful 'Fun Week' with bowling, pizzas, ice creams, a lifesaving course, a day out at Oxygen Freejumping Trampoline Park, late night Forest School, BBQ and film. They also had a brilliant day last Friday with a bouncy castle, donated by Mrs D'Monte and enjoyed Fish and Chips which were donated by Salsbury's Fish and Chips, Biggin Hill. Finally there was the traditional year 6 water fight!

This was followed by the most spectacular prom last Friday which was organised by the most amazing Year 6 Leavers' Committee.

This week, they have enjoyed the year 6 play and today, our final goodbye will be at the year 6 graduation!

We hope that our year 6 children will have very fond memories of their time at Biggin Hill Primary School.

Our thanks must go to the Friends of Biggin Hill Primary School, the Year 6 Leavers' Committee, Mrs Greenslade, Mrs Rooney, Mrs Mason, Miss Whitaker, Mrs Shepherd and Miss Gray for ensuring their last few weeks were very special for them all!

Finally, our thanks to Mrs Spears, Ms Wythers, Miss Wigfield and Mrs Archer for helping out at the late night BBQ and Forest School!



**Mr Devlin and
Miss O'Mahony**

A special message for Year 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

Now that the time has come to say goodbye to Year 6, we wanted to take the opportunity to tell you how much we have loved working with your wonderful children this year. We have been incredibly impressed with the resilience they've shown in the face of the many challenges this year has brought with it and their incredible enthusiasm for every aspect of school life.

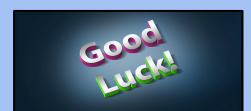
As they continue on their journey through their education, we have no doubt that they will continue to endeavour to do their best in every task, be inclusive, be enthusiastic learners and embrace all the new and exciting opportunities and adventures ahead of them.

It is safe to say we will miss them all considerably and we know we speak for all the staff and children at Biggin Hill Primary School too. Remind them to pop in for a visit now and then.



Have a great summer!

Best wishes, *Miss O'Mahony and Mr Devlin*



PUPIL VOICE

Year 6

What have you enjoyed about being at Biggin Hill Primary School?

"Bushcraft."
"Trampolining."
"Writing a 9 page story."
"Fun week and prom."
"Everything."
"Meeting friends."
"Experiences."
"Making Friends."
"All the school trips."
"The school play."
"Year 6 in general."
"P.E."
"Prom."
"Bushcraft - when we made pizzas."
"I enjoyed maths because it is fun to learn."
"I like year 5."

What are you most looking forward to at secondary school?

"I'm excited to meet new friends."
"Meeting new teachers."
"Joining new clubs."
"Learning new languages."
"Learning different subjects."
"Doing sport."

COMPETITION WINNERS

'Perfect Parking'

Thank you for your entries.

All our 'Perfect Parking' competition entries were amazing. It was a hugely difficult task to select the winners as all the entries were brilliant! We look forward to placing as many of these wonderful posters on display as we can!

Congratulations to our competition winners.

Group 1 - Reception, Year 1 and 2

1st: Isabelle C (YR)
2nd: Daisy S (Y2)
Commended: Keira R (Y2)
Ronnie C (YR)
Sammy S (Y2)

Group 2 - Year 3 and 4

1st: Isabella J (Y3)
2nd: Emma S (Y3)
Commended: Dolly-Rae W (Y3)
Imogen K (Y4)

Group 3 - Year 5 and 6:

1st: Leila J (Y5)
2nd: Jenson L-T (Y5)
Commended: Lexi C (Y5)
Daniel F (Y6)
Leon T (Y6)

Congratulations



ROLL OF HONOUR

Our Ballerina!

Keira R, year 2, passed her Grade 1 Ballet exam this week, achieving a Merit! Keira also achieved a Merit in her 'blue level' theatrical rainbow award (which involves performing a dance and a mime learnt by heart). For this award the levels build up through the colours of the rainbow from violet to red.

This is an amazing achievement Keira!
Everyone here is very proud of you!
Congratulations

ROLL OF HONOUR

Good Luck Leon!

Leon T, year 6, has been selected to compete in the London Youth Games for Bromley Canoe Club. Leon is in the Year 7 Kayak Sprint event on the 31st July. This will be the first time Leon has had a chance to compete since joining the club 2 years ago.



This is an amazing achievement Leon!
Everyone here is very proud of you!
Congratulations

A MESSAGE FROM MRS LAWRENCE

Hello everyone,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support this year. Your children have been nurtured and looked after by an amazing team of teachers and learning support assistants and as a result we have survived a truly challenging year. My thanks extend to our parents and carers - it would not have been possible to give our children the best year possible without the support you have given.

Finally, I would like to thank our children! I tell them everyday that they are wonderful and amazing human beings and I am so proud of what they have achieved this year.

Have a wonderful and restful summer break!

Mrs Lawrence

Deputy Headteacher, Inclusion Lead and
Deputy Safeguarding Lead
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Mrs Sargeant

Family Liaison and
Inclusion Assistant and Deputy Safeguarding Lead
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OUR AMAZING

Pre-School - Limited space available!

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

Our thriving Nursery 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.

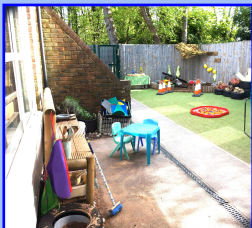
Timings are as follows:

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 Nursery, fees/funding or to arrange a visit, please contact Ms Claire Wythers, Nursery Admissions & Finance on **01959 575846** or at c.wythers@bigginhillps.com

THANK YOU

On behalf of myself, Mrs Lawrence and all the staff at Biggin Hill Primary School, thank you for the kind gifts and cards – we are all so touched and grateful.

Mrs Freeman



TEA and TOTS

We welcome you back on....

Thank you for supporting
'Tea and Tots.'

In September, 'Tea and Tots' will be on a Tuesday.

Our first session will be on:
**Tuesday 7th September,
1-30-3.00pm**

Mrs Sargeant and Mrs Helps



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**