



SAFEGUARDING

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MESSAGE FROM MRS LAWRENCE

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week I had the pleasure of watching the first class assembly from our Reception cohort. Tiger class shared with us what they have been learning, including life cycles and numbers to 10, as well as their beautiful singing and artwork. Well done to Tiger Class and a big thank you to Miss Turner, Mrs Thorpe and Miss Bentley for supporting the children.

Since the return after the Easter break, we have seen an increase in the number of children accessing online platforms and messaging apps and it is essential for both children and parents to understand the potential risks associated with online activity. Mobile phones have become an integral part of our children's lives, providing them with a world of information and communication at their fingertips. While this opens up exciting opportunities for learning and connection, it also exposes them to certain dangers, such as cyberbullying, inappropriate content, and privacy concerns. **Please see the following page for links to 'What Parents Need to Know' guides.**

To help manage these risks, I encourage all parents to engage in open conversations with your children about their online habits. Regularly discussing what they do online, who they interact with, and the types of content they encounter can foster a greater sense of awareness and responsibility. Introducing a digital contract or guidelines for phone usage can also be beneficial. This could include rules about screen time limits, appropriate apps, and maintaining privacy settings.

There are various monitoring systems and parental control apps available that can aid in keeping your child safe online. These tools allow you to track usage, set restrictions, and block harmful content, giving you peace of mind while your child explores the digital world. It is worth researching the options that best align with your family's needs, as well as taking the time to understand how these tools function.

In addition to monitoring and open dialogue, I recommend educating your child about the importance of protecting their personal information. Teaching them to be cautious about sharing details online, such as their location or contact information, will empower them to be proactive in their online safety.

Your efforts to promote safe online practices will not only benefit your child but also contribute to creating a safer community for all our children. Should you have any questions or require further resources, please do not hesitate to contact me. Together, we can ensure that our children are equipped to navigate the digital landscape safely and responsibly.

Have a wonderful weekend,
Mrs Lawrence
Headteacher and Safeguarding Lead

Stars of the Week

- Caterpillar - Myles T
- Tiger - Esme G
- Elmer - Frankie R
- Chameleon - Rae L
- Crayon - Jake H
- Charlie Cook - Jessie E
- Sofia Valdez - Nellie B
- Gregory Cool - Elissia C
- Chaya - Alice B
- Ebenezer Tweezer - Megan P
- Pevensie - Peony P
- Gelifen - Heidi S
- Fred - Frankie L
- Skellig - Keira R
- Aspire - Ivy L-C

Congratulations!

Weekly Whole School Attendance 95.8%

Weekly Class Attendance
Excellent attendance 'gold'
 98-100%
 Elmer - 99.6%
 Ebenezer Tweezer - 98.7%

Good Attendance 'green'
 96 - 97.9%
 Chameleon - 97.1%
 Tiger - 97%
 Crayon - 96.9%
 Fred - 96.5%
 Gregory Cool - 96.2%

House Points

Hawking
Rowling
Holmes
Attenborough

Keeping safe in the sun

We hope you have a wonderful bank holiday.

Please remember to keep your child safe in the sun by keeping them well hydrated, ensuring they wear a hat and applying sun cream.



Metropolitan Police - Your Safer Neighbourhoods Team

Your Safer Neighbourhoods Team (SNT) is a group of Met police officers dedicated to serving your community. The team is made up of officers based in your area (or 'ward'), supported by additional officers from the wider area.

We work closely with local authorities, community leaders and residents to decide our policing priorities for the area. This helps us to find useful, long-term solutions to local problems, while maintaining our wider focus on reducing crime across London.

Contact the Team Online:

To contact your local team, use our quick and simple online contact tool. We'll ask you a few questions to make sure your query gets to the right place.

Click the link to contact the team:

<https://www.met.police.uk/area/your-area/met/bromley/biggin-hill/contact-us/top-reported-crimes-in-this-area>

Social Media Apps.....

What Parents Need to Know!

As parents, it is becoming increasingly difficult to know and understand how apps which are accessed by our children are used. This makes keeping our children safe online even more challenging. The links below will take you to guides explaining each app and how they work:

[INSTAGRAM](#)

[TIKTOK](#)

[SNAPCHAT](#)

[WHATSAPP](#)

[SCREEN ADDICTION](#)

[LIVE STREAMING](#)

DIARY DATES

Keep a note!

6th May - Ambassador assembly - invite only

7th May - ORC Class Assembly
9am KS1 Hall

19th May - Sponsored Bounce
(more details to follow from the Friends)

21st May - 1C Class Assembly
9am KS1 Hall

2nd June - Inset Day

3rd June - Class Photos

6th June - Sports Day/Summer Fair

16th June - Special Recognition Assembly 9am - invite only

18th-20th June - Bushcraft (Yr4)

27th June - Inicio Trust Day (Inset Day)

30th June - 4th July - PGL Devon (Yr6)

MAKATON

Sign of the Week



Dance

LANGUAGE OF THE MONTH

Portuguese

Hello: Ola

Goodbye: Ate Logo

Thank you: Obrigado

Weekly Lunch Menus

We will continue sending out weekly menus each Friday afternoon as we feel this is working well for families and keeps this fresh in your inbox!



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