



BIGGIN HILL
PRIMARY SCHOOL
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NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM MRS FREEMAN

Dear Parents and Carers,

How lovely that the sun is shining today - long may it last! The children all looked lovely in their own clothes and spots today - thank you for making the effort and for your donations to Children in Need.

Really there has been no end to your generosity....we collected hundreds of toiletries for Bromley Brighter Beginnings, bags and bags of clothes for the "Bag 2 School" collection and oodles of cakes for the cake sale (see below). Thank you so much for everything that you have done and continue to do to support these charities - we know that it is a very expensive time of year and that many of you have been adversely affected by the cost of living crisis - and we are so grateful for your support.

From next week, both blue pedestrian gates will be open in the morning to ease congestion for adults leaving the school. It will NOT be open at the end of the day as Martin has voiced concerns that this encourages children to cross the road without him. Have a great weekend!

Mrs Freeman

Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead

Crumbs look how much we made!

On Thursday the School Council and EDI Committee held its Autumn Cake Sale. The sun shone as the children did a magnificent job of selling the cakes which parents kindly donated.

It was so lovely to see the children working well as a team and everyone had a wonderful time. In total we raised an incredible sum of £190. This will go towards the money previously collected, for new playground sports equipment. Thank you for all your support.

Mrs Snelling and Ms O'Mahony



Stars of the Week

Banksy: **Koe E**
Thorpe: **Aurelia K**
Coyle: **Sam C**
Van Gogh: **Kristian A**
Emberley: **Hallie H**
Chung: **Brody C**
Shuster: **Lauren C**
Blake: **Ayaah H**
Goldsworthy: **Evelyn A**
Eldridge: **Holly S**
O'Keeffe: **Betsy D**
Leibovitz: **Tyler H**
Fishel: **Tyler J**
Warhol: **Chloe F**
Aspire: **Daisy S**

Congratulations!

Weekly Whole School Attendance %

Weekly Class Attendance

Excellent attendance 'gold'
98-100%

Emberley - 99%
Leibovitz - 99.5%

Attendance 'green' 96-97.9%

Banksy - 97%
Thorpe - 96%
Shuster - 96.1%
O'Keeffe - 97.9%
Fishel - 96.1%

Well Done!

Recognising ADHD in girls

ADHD....what is it and how does it present in girls?

We are very lucky to have secured *Una Archer*, GMBPS, to join us in school on January 11th at 9am. Una will be talking to us about how to recognise early signs of ADHD in girls, how this presents both at school and a home as well as strategies which could be used to support.

HOUSE POINTS

1st *Attenborough*
2nd *Holmes*
3rd *Hawking*
4th *Howling*

Parking And Driving in Wet Weather

Please can I ask you all to make sure that you do not park over the drives of the residents of Old Tye Avenue. I have been sent pictures of some exceptionally inconsiderate parking and it is, understandably, causing issues between ourselves and our neighbours.

We have had a number of little ones coming into school who have been splashed by cars driving too fast on local roads. Please be mindful of large puddles and pedestrians when you are driving - being splashed is not a nice way to start the day .

DIARY DATES

Keep a note!

17th November - Children in Need
Wear something spotty

22nd November - 50 assembly
(9-9.30 KS2 hall)

27th November - Ambassador
Assembly - invitation only
(9-9.30am YR-3 KS1 hall,
Y4-6 KS2 Hall)

29th November - 6W assembly
(9-9.30am KS2 hall)

1st December - Man in Red

1st December - Non Uniform Day

4th December - Secret Presents
Room

6th December - Christmas Lunch

8th December - Christmas Jumper
Day

8th December - Christmas Fair

**11th - 14th December - please
see separate letter for all
year group performance
information**

15th December - Christmas
parties

15th December - last day of term

3rd January 2024 - First day of
Spring Term

Remembrance

It was such a pleasure to represent our school at the Biggin Hill Memorial Service on Sunday. Our school community was very well represented by our prefects, the great number of children from local uniformed groups, as well as all of the families who came to watch and pay their respects. Thank you to Chloe G, Nathaniel B, Scarlett K and Max B, our Year 6 prefects, who represented our school brilliantly by looking so smart in their uniforms as they laid the wreath at the service.

It was wonderful to have so many children from uniformed groups at the service and I have been asked to mention a few children from 1st Biggin

Hill Gladiator Beavers: James C accompanied the wreath and Jenson P led the Beaver Colony in the march from St Marks to the War Memorial. Alice B, Francesca L, Miller G, Willow L, Dylan D'R & Brody C all also attended and did us proud! They really impressed their Beaver leaders and members of the public with their interest and ability to stand quietly and respectfully for the whole of the service. Well done everyone!



MAKATON

Sign of the Week



Bold/ Brave/ Courage

**Miss Knott,
SENCo Assistant**

LANGUAGE

Of the Month
SPANISH

Hello: Hola

Goodbye: Adiós

Thank you: gracias

Weekly Lunch Menus

On our website at: <https://www.bigginhillprimary.com/> at the bottom of the page. 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!