

Bromley Hills School Newsletter

Autumn Term Week 1

6th September 2024

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MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you had a lovely summer holiday and that you managed to have a break. It is lovely to see children back, safe and sound.

I have spoken to KS1 and KS2 in our assemblies this week about the new school year and about setting goals – to be able to achieve something at the end of the year that we can't do now. Children will be thinking about their own personal goals over the next couple of weeks.

Congratulations to Ms Lees, who got married during the summer holidays; she is now Mrs Thomas. We welcome Miss Hales, who is our new Y3 class teacher. We hope she enjoys her time with us. Congratulations to Mrs Smallman who has had a baby girl during the summer holidays.

Curriculum newsletters will be emailed to parents/carers next week. This will keep you informed about what your child will be taught this term. A copy will also be available on the school website.

We have emailed the dates for the Autumn term, which you should have received today. We will try our best to keep to these dates, so that parents/carers know what is coming up this term. This is something that we have introduced in order to improve communication between school and home. The dates for the year are on the school website.

As always, if you have any questions, please get in touch either by phone or email. If it is urgent, please do pop in and speak to us.

Many thanks, Jon Stevens.

INFORMATION

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

September

Wed 4th - Autumn Term Starts

Thurs 12th - Class 4N Swimming Starts

Fri 27th - MacMillan Coffee Afternoon

October

Tues 1st – Y3/4 Harvest at 2.45pm

Wed 2nd – KS1 Harvest at 2.45pm

Wed 2nd - Y3 Church Visit

Thurs 3rd – Y5/6 Harvest at 2.45pm

Thurs 3rd – Y4 Church Visit

Tues 15th & Thurs 17th Parents' Evening

Fri 25th – Last Day of Half Term

Mon 28th – Fri 1st – Half Term

November

Mon 4th – Second half term starts

SCHOOL UNIFORM

A reminder that all children must wear school uniform at all times. If there is a problem, please let us know.

Please note that no jewellery can be worn by children, except stud earrings. Please can you make sure that children do not wear chains or necklaces to school. Thank you.

Please remember that children can only wear black footwear. Please make sure that there are no coloured logos. Thank you.

There is spare school uniform in the school office. Please help yourself.

SWIMMING FOR CLASS 4N

Miss Norwood's class will start their swimming lessons on Thursday 12th September and will go for 10 weeks. Please ensure that all children have their swimming costumes and towels. Thank you.

CLUBS

Multi Sports Club for Y1 – Y6 on Wednesdays.

ATTENDANCE

Please see information below regarding the changes about attendance.

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Class 1B – 88%

Class 1/2F – 94%

Class 2T – 96%

Class 3H – 99%

Class 3/4L – 90%

Class 4K – 91%

Class 5B – 98%

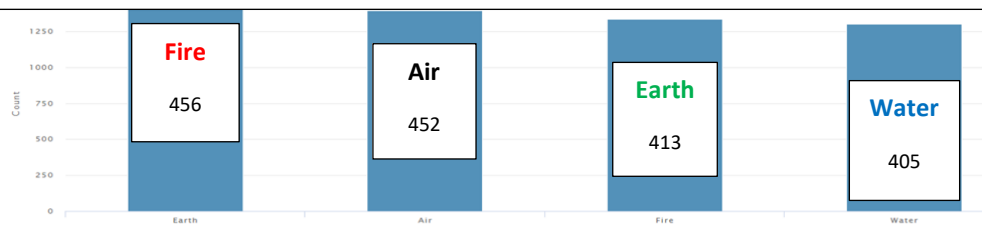
Class 5/6K – 93%

Class 6B – 86%

Total attendance for this week is: 93%

Well done to class 3H for **99% attendance this week!**

HOUSE POINTS – THIS WEEK'S WINNERS ARE: FIRE!



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ATTENDANCE GUIDE FOR PARENTS/CARERS

The law

Every child of compulsory school age has the legal right to an efficient, full-time education that is suitable to their age, aptitude, and any SEND they may have. Parents are legally required to make sure their child receives this education by attendance at school or by education otherwise than at school. Where a parent decides to register their child at school, there is an additional legal duty on them to ensure their child attends the school regularly – this means their child needs to attend every day the school is open, except in certain circumstances, e.g. the child is too ill to attend.

What YOU must do:

- ✓ Try to telephone the school before 8.30am each day of your child's absence.
- ✓ Tell the school in advance, of any medical appointments and bring in appointment cards/letters.
- ✓ If you are not sure whether your child is well enough to attend school, send them in anyway as they often perk up on arrival.
- ✓ Have a backup plan for if your child misses transport, call on a family member, neighbour or friend.
- ✓ If you and your child are experiencing difficulties with school attendance then talk to us as a first step so we can help!

What WE will do:

- Check your child's attendance every day.
- Phone home to discuss your child's attendance with you.
- Invite you into school for attendance meetings if we are concerned.
- If we cannot establish a reason for absence, then we may make a welfare home visit.

Fixed penalty notices

Fixed penalty notices are served on parents where they have failed to ensure that their child of compulsory school age regularly attends the school where they are registered or at a place where alternative provision is provided. Fixed penalty notices can be used by all schools where the pupil's absence has not been authorised by the school and the absence constitutes an offence.

Fixed penalty Fines - Changes

The DFE have introduced some changes to the Penalty Notice fines with a particular difference being the new amounts payable. For all new offences where the start date of the absence is after the 19th August 2024, the fine will be payable at £160, (up from the previous amount of £120) if paid within 28 days and if paid within 21 days it will reduce to £80, (up from £60).

Please note: NEW - Parents meeting the requirements for a penalty notice will only be allowed to receive 2 penalty notices for a specific child in a rolling 3-year period. The second penalty notice in a 3-year period will only be payable at the higher rate of £160, there will be no option of a reduced amount. Should the parent meet the requirements for a 3rd time in 3 years then the authority will consider taking other legal interventions that are available, relative to the needs of the case.

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LIBRARY NOTICE

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Summer Reading
Challenge 2024

Marvellous Makers

Come to

Wordsley Library

on Saturday 7th September

for the Summer Reading Challenge
Finishers Day Party!!!

Have a drink & a cake and
tell us you've completed the
challenge to collect your
Finisher's certificate
and medal!

BETTER

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