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November 2020 Newsletter

Friendship week and governors' award

Just before half term we celebrated friendship week. Across the week, the children took part in a range of activities that helped them to reflect on our value. They explored how to be a good friend and ways of resolving difficulties and conflicts. They also thought about how to be a friend to the environment and each year group has made a layer for our new bug hotel, which Mrs Archer will be assembling for us.

At the end of the week in Year 1 and Year 2 we awarded our governors' award for friendship. These were presented during our virtual collective worship by Patsy Kettle one of our governors.



COVID-19

A reminder that the symptoms for COVID currently remain unchanged. Your child must not attend school if they or any member of your household has any of the following symptoms

- High temperature above 37.8
- New continuous cough
- Loss of taste or smell

If they or any member of your household has the above, you must self-isolate and book a text via the government website. <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

We now have a dedicated email for reporting all COVID test results, COVID19@bramley.surrey.sch.uk, please use this to let us know when you have had your confirmed result back, this includes during weekends and holiday periods.

Value: Respect

Our value for this half term is respect, across this term we will linking this value to the act of remembrance as well as looking at how we respect other and our environment.



We will be using the stories from the Bible including the story of the good Samaritan.

The school will be represented during

the online church service this coming Sunday in the Remembrance service, where we have been asked to read some names of the fallen.

On Monday a member of our worship team will be laying our wreath at the memorial.

Starting Reception or Year 3 in 2021

Unfortunately, due to the new lockdown rules we are unable to continue with after school tours for the time being. We have created a virtual tour and this will be available shortly on our website.

The application for infant and junior places is now open. All applications must be submitted via surrey admissions by 15th January 2021. They welcome early applications, please use the link below to apply.

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions/primary-junior-and-infant/apply>

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Parking

Please can I remind parents to park considerately when dropping off and picking up. We have had some complaints from our neighbours in The Coombs about parents parking on zigzag lines and across pavements.

Change of weather



This week the weather has reminded us that winter is on the way. As part of our COVID risk assessment we are required to keep the school well ventilated

with windows and doors open and we will continue to use the outdoor spaces as much as possible. Therefore please ensure your children have warm coats and their school jumpers in school everyday. We would also recommend they have one or two layers on under their uniform. E.g vests and T-shirts

Shopping



Many parents have kindly asked how they can support us during these challenging times. Having spoken with the PTFA about the best way to do this we would be very grateful this half term for

donations of the following:

Boxes of Tissues
Hand sanitiser (must be 70% alcohol as minimum)
Liquid hand soaps (not overly fragranced)
Antibacterial wipes

We would welcome any donations of these items either as a one off or if you are happy to add 1 or 2 items to your weekly shop we would be delighted to receive them regularly throughout the half term.

Nativity

This year we are planning to tell the story of the nativity in sections across a week. Each class will take a different part of the story and across the week the children will learn about Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem and the visitors who came to celebrate with them. We are hoping to stage this outside so that the children can all come and watch the performances. We will also aim to share parts it via our private youtube channel for families.



Dates for your diary

6th November National Skipping Day
11th November Flu vaccinations
11th November Faith team meeting
16th-20th November- Road Safety week
18th November Pause Day
26th November Full Governing Body Meeting
4th December Class Christingle Services
8th December Year 2 Nativity
9th December Reception Nativity
10th December Year 1, Pre-school and Nursery Nativity
11th December Christmas Jumper day
18th December 1.15pm End of term
4th January INSET day
INSET days for 20-21: 1st Sept, 2nd Sept, 4th Jan, 7th June, 21st July

Caretaker

Mr Richardson our lovely caretaker has decided that it is finally time to retire. He has been at Bramley for 11 years and will be leaving us at the end of the term. He will be greatly missed although he has promised to come back and visit us regularly.

As a result, we now have the opportunity for a new caretaker to join our friendly team. If you are interested or know of anyone who is then please use the link below for further details, or call the office and speak to Mrs Lemon.

<https://www.eteach.com/job/school-caretaker-1120264>

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