

November 2023

Welcome back, we hope you have had a fabulous half term break. It has been wonderful to have the children back this week. They have embraced their new learning this half term and are showing great enthusiasm in all they do.

Next week we look forward to welcoming parents to parent consultations, please do speak to your child's class teacher or the office if you have not been able to sign up for a slot.

We have lots of wonderful events coming up both in school and through the PTFA as we begin to prepare for Christmas. Please keep an eye on the notices for important dates.

For those of you celebrating bonfire night, we wish you a safe and happy time. This week the children have been taught about firework safety but if you would like further information about keeping children safe it can be found here.

<https://www.rospa.com/policy/home-safety/advice/fireworks-safety>

Value

Last term we awarded our governor's award to children who have gone above and beyond to show our value of friendship.

These were presented to:

Reception-Harry

Year 1- Max

Year 2- Bella

This term our value is Respect.

Across the half term children will hear a range story about this value including the following bible stories.

The Good Samaritan: Luke 10 v 25-27

[story link](#)

Story of Creation: Genesis 1 and 2

[story link](#)

On Friday 10th November the worship team will lay our remembrance wreath at the Bramley war memorial.

Pre-school and Nursery

Nursery and Pre-school have been engaged in their new learning this week.



Nursery are particularly enjoying their topic of light and dark and using the dark tents and torches. Pre-school have been using brushes and fingers to make patterns in the coloured sand. Some look a lot like fireworks!



Psalm 119 (105) "Your word is a lamp to guide me and a light for my path."

<p>Wrap around care The children using our wrap around care are having a wonderful time. They would however love some more friends to come and join them. The club is led by Annie and Amber. The club offers a range of flexibility in sessions and pick up times so please do have a look at their website. They are now also able to take 4 years olds in preschool (who are potty trained) for breakfast club and a shorter session after school.</p>	
<p>School Council This term the school council are working with Mr Rising to look at how we teach writing at Bramley. So far, they have discovered the following-</p> <p>What we like about writing:</p> <p>Using 'hard' words. Using the pictures on pobble to help us create stories. Exercising our hands- we do a lot of writing. Writing poems, they are fun and you don't have to use full stops.</p> <p>Things that would make writing even better:</p> <p>Learning more words that we can use in our writing. More reminders about full stops, capital letters and finger spaces. Some more ways of getting ideas for our writing.</p>	<p>School tours We are now running our small group tours of the school for both Reception 2024 and Pre-School and Nursery places. The tours last approx. 45 mins and are a wonderful way to see our school at work.</p> <p>Please call or email the office to book a place.</p> <p>Monday 6th Nov at 9.30am Monday 13th Nov at 10.45am Monday 20th Nov 10.45am Tuesday 21st Nov 9.30am Tuesday 28th Nov 9.30am Thursday 30th Nov 10.45am</p> <p>Applications for Junior schools and Infant are now open and must be completed by 15th January. Details can be found here: https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions</p> <p>Please note: there is no automatic entry to Reception for existing pre-school children. All Pre-School families must apply through Surrey.</p>
<p>Pause day and Christmas We are already busy with our preparation for Christmas. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be performing " It's a baby" and Nursery and Pre-school will entertain us with a selection of songs and rhymes.</p> <p>To understand the importance of the Christmas story for Christians, we will be having a special pause day on 22nd November to begin our advent preparation. On this day we will be making our Christingles. Main school children will visit St Catherine's school where the team from Wintershall will have set up their travelling crib. During the morning children will be able to meet some of characters and animals from the Nativity story. We are very grateful to St Catherine's who have offered to fund this event fully.</p>	
<p>Safeguarding If you have any concerns about a child's welfare, we would remind that concerns can be shared directly with our designated safeguarding leads, Mrs Taylor or Mrs Muncer or by sending them an email on DSL@bramley.surrey.sch.uk.</p>	