

12th September

Weekly Newsletter



Senior Leadership Message -

It's been a fantastic first full week back at Bramley! The children have settled in beautifully, and it's been lovely to see them diving enthusiastically into their learning.

We announced our new Collective Worship Team this week. The children from year 2 have been chosen to represent the school in their special new role. Well done to Cece, Wilf, Finley L and Amelia. We know you will do the school proud.

This week, children in the main school enjoyed an exciting assembly from the Genie Lab Science Club, designed to spark their curiosity and get them excited about the club's activities. Our after-school clubs are now up and running, and many still have spaces available, so do take a look and book your child in if they're interested!

We have lots of exciting events coming up over the next few weeks:

• Monday 15th September – Meet the Teacher

Families are warmly invited to meet their child's new class teacher and learn more about the year ahead. Children and siblings are welcome to attend under parent supervision, or they may play on the playground under the supervision of school staff. If you're unable to attend, don't worry, the presentation and key information will be shared with families next week.

• Tuesday 16th September – Individual School Photos

A professional photographer will be in school to take individual photos of all the children. Weather permitting, we hope to hold the photo sessions outdoors. You can learn more about the photography company we're using by visiting: [Imago Photography](https://www.imago-photography.co.uk/).

• Tuesday 23rd September at 8:45am – Phonics Coffee Morning

Families from the main school are invited to join us for a Phonics Coffee Morning to learn more about how we teach reading and writing at Bramley. It's a great opportunity to discover how you can support your child's learning at home. Tea, coffee, and cake will be served!

Finally, please scroll down in this newsletter to see all the wonderful improvements we've made to the school over the summer holidays. We hope you'll agree that these changes will make a positive difference for all our children.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs. Strickland
Head of School



Prayer

Dear God,

As this new school year begins,
I come to You with open hands and a hopeful heart.
Help me to embrace each day with courage and curiosity.
Grant us peace in moments of uncertainty,
And strength when challenges arise.
Thank You for walking beside me,
Today and every day.
Amen.



Reminders

- Please note that children are not permitted to use any playground equipment after 3:00 PM. We kindly ask for your support in ensuring this rule is followed to help us maintain everyone's safety.
- Please can all water bottles & packed lunch bags be named. We have started to get some rather large water bottles that don't fit in our bottle carriers. Please could we ask that the diameter of the bottom of the bottle is no larger than 7cm. Thank you.



Headteacher
AWARD

Value
AWARD

(Y1) Wilf
(Y1) Ethan
(Y2) Dylan
(Y2) William

(Y1) Summer
(Y2) Elodie

Class Gem Jar
AWARD



Year 1

Please note -
Reception will start attending the celebration assembly after half term. Until then, they will have their own reward system in class.



Well done everyone!

School Improvements

Over the summer holidays, our staff and contractors have been hard at work making a range of fantastic improvements across the school and we're thrilled to share them with you!

- **Brighter, Greener Lighting**

The entire school has been upgraded with new LED lighting. Not only is this more energy-efficient and environmentally friendly, but it's also cost-effective. The children have especially enjoyed discovering the motion sensors in the main school corridor as they are now motion activated.



- **Enhanced Outdoor Learning Spaces**

We've installed new fencing in the Year 1 and Pre-School/Nursery outdoor learning areas. Year 1 now has its own dedicated outdoor learning space, doubling the area available for learning and enriching their learning experience. The Nursery and Pre-School areas have also been reconfigured to make better use of the space.

- **Eco-Friendly Displays**

Around the main school, we're in the process of replacing all display backings with hessian fabric. Unlike paper, hessian doesn't need to be changed every half term, making it a more sustainable choice. Research also shows that hessian can create a calmer, less distracting environment, helping children to focus and feel more at ease.



Upcoming Playground Enhancements

At the end of September, we'll be making further improvements to our outdoor spaces:

- A brand-new climbing frame and updated bike track markings in the main playground.
- A new race track and log cabin for the Pre-School and Nursery outdoor area.
- Improved surfacing and new resources for the Reception outdoor learning space.

New Sensory Garden

We're especially excited about the development of a new sensory garden in the walkway between the main playground and the hall. This space will include musical instruments, seating areas, planters, and astro turf - creating a calm, engaging environment for all children to enjoy.

We're so proud of these developments and confident they will have a lasting, positive impact on our children's learning and wellbeing.

Notices

MEET THE TEACHER



A chance to meet your child's new teacher and find out more about the year ahead.

Monday 15th September

Reception and Year 1 - 3.00pm
Year 2 and Pre-School - 3.30pm

Children welcome or they can play in the playground while supervised by school staff.



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Classroom Focus

PRE-SCHOOL

What a great first week back in Pre School! It has been so lovely to see our current children helping our new children settle in, they are doing so well!

This half term is the topic 'All About Me'. We will be learning about each other, making new friends and creating some lovely personal artwork. We will be singing lots of familiar songs and rhymes (including number rhymes) and doing lots of imaginative play. Keep a lookout for photos on seesaw!

We still have our Pre School library at the bottom of the ramp. Please feel free to choose a book with your child at the end of the day to take home. We just ask that you bring that one back before you choose another one.



Upcoming Events

Please note that dates in bold may have been added or changed since our last weekly newsletter.

September

15th Meet the Teacher - Reception & Year 1 @ 1-3pm / Pre-School & Year 2 @ 3.30pm
15th National coding week
16th Individual & siblings photo's taken
22nd Recycling week
22nd Fairtrade fortnight
22nd School tour, 9.30am
23rd Phonics coffee morning @ 8.45am
24th International fitness day
25th School tour, 1.30pm
26th European languages day

October

1st NSPCC Kindness challenge
1st Black history month
2nd National poetry day
4th World space week
6th Libraries week
6th Year 2 - Fire Safety Visitor from the Surrey Fire & Rescue Team
7th School Tour, 9.30am
10th School tour, 9.30am
10th World mental health day
10th Year 2 Football Festival @ Longacre School
13th Cycle to school week
14th Stagecoach workshops
20th Diwali
20th School tour, 1.30pm
21st Year 2 'Fire of London' Workshop
23rd Children break up - Start of half term
24th INSET day - School closed

November

1st Bramley Village Bonfire 6-8.30pm
3rd INSET DAY
4th Children return to School
5th **Surrey nursing team visiting for Flu vaccinations for Reception, Year 1 & Year 2**
6th Outdoor classroom day
7th Pause day for Remembrance
10th Anti bullying week & World nursery rhyme week
10th Odd socks day - Children to wear odd socks to school
10th World Science day
14th Children in Need

☀️ A Warm Welcome from the PTFA ☀️

Hello and welcome to all our new families joining the school community — and welcome back to those returning! We're the PTFA (Parent, Teacher and Friends Association), and we're here to raise funds to support the school — and we do it through fun, inclusive events and activities.

👋 Get Involved We'd love to meet you! Whether you have a little time or a lot, there are many ways to get involved. Come and say hi in the playground — we're always happy to chat and share more about what we do.

🎉 What's Happening This Term This term is packed with exciting events, including:

- 🍰 Cake Sales — always a favourite!
- 🎨 Kids' Portrait Tea Towels — a lovely keepsake and fundraiser.
- 🎄 Christmas Fair — a festive highlight for the whole family.

👥 Join the Team We'll be looking for a new Chair and committee members soon, and we'll be holding our AGM in the coming weeks (date to be confirmed). If you're interested in helping shape the PTFA's future, we'd love to hear from you. Thank you for your continued support — together we make a real difference!

Marty, Tiff, Holly, Sally and the team x

Term Dates

2025 - 2026

Autumn Term 2025	Spring Term 2026	Summer Term 2026
03/09/25 to 19/12/25	05/01/26 -27/03/26	13/04/26 – 22/07/26
Half Term: 27/10/25 – 31/10/25	Half Term: 16/02/26 – 20/02/26	Half Term: 25/05/26 – 29/05/26
INSET DAY: 03/09/25, 24/10/25, 03/11/25	INSET DAY: 05/01/26, 23/02/26	INSET DAY: 13/04/26, 22/05/26, 01/06/26

2026 - 2027

Autumn Term 2026	Spring Term 2027	Summer Term 2027
03/09/26 to 18/12/26	04/01/27 -26/03/27	12/04/27 – 28/07/27
Half Term: 19/10/26 – 02/11/26	Half Term: 15/02/27 – 19/02/27	Half Term: 31/05/27 – 04/06/27
INSET DAY: 01/09/26	INSET DAY: 04/01/27, 22/02/27, 23/02/27	INSET DAY: 28/05/27, 26/07/27, 27/07/27, 28/07/27

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