



Right Start-Bright Future

Newsletter

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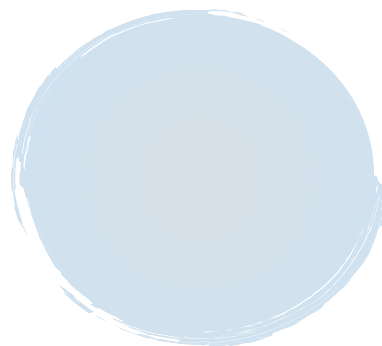
Dear Families

After such lovely summer like weather, yesterday we had to regrettably postpone the F2 and year 6 fieldtrip. This was due to a weather warning and we are so pleased we did! The majority of the visit involved the children being outdoors, visiting Dibbendsdale, Port Sunlight, Eastham Park and Brimstage (Our House Teams). A new date has been arranged after the half term.

This half term has passed by so quickly. Summer term 2 is even busier and we still have year 1/2 phonics and year 4 multiplication tables national tests to administer after the half term break. Please can I ask that families in year 4, spend time at home recapping multiplication facts from the 1 to 12 times tables.

Class Structure from September 2024. Teachers will be remaining in the same year group for the new academic year.

- F2 – Mrs Parsonage and Mrs H Williams
- Year 1 – Mrs Mulholland
- Year 2 – Miss Ramejkis
- Year 3 – Mrs Baines
- Year 4 – Mr Eborall
- Year 5 – Miss Armstead
- Year 6 – Mr Russell
- PPA Cover – Mrs Ainslie and Mrs Armstrong



(Teaching Assistants will be allocated to year groups in June/July)

All children will spend the day in their new year group on **Wednesday 3 July**. Children in year 6 will spend this day at their high school.

Staffing update: Mrs Spiers who works as a teaching assistant in key stage 1 and also in the after-school club, will be leaving us at the end of the summer term. Mrs Spiers has worked at Brookhurst for twelve years and we will miss her. Mrs Spiers has decided it is time for a change of career and I wish her well.



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School weekly attendance: F2 = 97.2%, Year 1 = 90%, Year 2 = 91.4%, Year 3 = 96%, Year 4 = 96.9%, Year 5 = 81%, Year 6 = 83.3%. Overall school attendance = 90.8%.

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'Magic Moments'

F2 - F2 celebrated National Bee Day this week. The children in F2 learned why Bees are so important to the health of our planet and because of this, the bees have their own special day. The event takes place on 20th May each year to spread awareness of the significance of bees. To celebrate this day the children had fun doing some Bee art outdoors, it was also great for their fine motor skills and a very calming activity.



Year 1 – Year 1 have really been getting into character and thinking as Erin from 'The Secret of Black Rock' to help them write some fabulous diary entries with fantastic vocabulary. In Science we have been looking at mammals, fish, amphibians, reptiles and birds. Having looked at their characteristics we then created our own animals by choosing an animal from three of the groups and blending them together to make new creatures. Some amazing creations!

Year 2 – This week we have been writing our letters to the King demanding he gives us the dark back! We had to think about different reasons and organised our writing so that we could get our opinion across with reasons. I have enjoyed reading them all as we go. I am so proud of the vocabulary and sentence structure that the children have used.

Year 3 – During our week, we have had a focus on jazz music, listening to a variety of swing rhythms and having a go at singing ourselves. We can now identify the instruments typically used in traditional jazz music. In science, we learnt all about seed dispersal with a little help from David Attenborough. We also noticed how our transportation investigation had changed the colour of our plant's petals!

Year 4 – This week, we have been learning about how to measure sound using data loggers. We used different materials to see how loud or soft each one was and found that some materials muffled the sound more than others when scrunched up. We have also up-levelled our writing this week and are close to publishing our narratives. In maths, we have worked on finding tenths and hundredths to make whole numbers using decimals.

Year 5 – Well, Paris Fashion Week watch out! Year 5 are catwalk ready! In DT this week we have been using our patterns to create bags for staff members, we then evaluated them based on functionality, design and features such as fastenings. Please see our fabulous catwalk show on Tapestry!

Year 6 – This week, Year 6 have delved further into their Design and Technology (D&T) curriculum by concocting their very own unique soups. Inspired by their meticulous research and planning, the students enthusiastically embarked on this culinary journey. Amidst the pitter-patter of rain outside, Year 6 savoured the fruits of their labour through a delightful taste testing session, adding a delectable touch to their learning experience.

Reporting of pupil absence: If families are taking their child/ren on holiday during term time, please can I ask that families provide the correct reason and not report that their child is unwell. We build the success of our school on trust. By not providing the real reason for the absence, creates anxiety for the child. The children tell us they are going on holiday as they are rightly excited. On their return, they tell us all about the holiday! Where we have the evidence that the leave of absence is not linked to illness but a holiday, then the absence will be recorded as unauthorised. Going forward, I trust that we can all work together with integrity and for the well-being of the child/ren.



Eco News: This week our final litter pick pack of the year went home. We have collected a staggering **32 bin bags full of rubbish from our local area!** I hope that everyone keeps up all of your hard work and has noticed the difference. As it has been so successful this year, I am hoping that we can start it even earlier next year and more families will get involved. I want to thank everyone for their participation and help in supporting our work towards our Eco Schools Green Flag application! Thank you, Miss Ramejkis.

PTA: Thank you for supporting the PTA cake sale and I do hope you all enjoyed the tasty treats? Year 2 and 3 had great fun playing 'hide and seek' this morning. This was their prize for the small change challenge last week.

Kind regards

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AND FINALLY..... Thank you for your continued support and partnership over this half term. School will re-open on **Monday 3 June** . Can I wish you all an enjoyable half-term holiday.

Please can I direct families to the school website where you will see our compliance to GDPR and the publication of the School's Privacy Notices.

