

Bramble Infant School & Nursery Newsletter



Friday 2nd October 2020

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Diary Dates:

Mon 5th Oct: YR children full time from today.

Mon 5th—Fri 9th Oct: Walk to School Week

Mon 12th Oct: School Photographer in

Tues 20th & 22nd Oct: YR Settling in Parents Evenings

Fri 23rd Oct: INSET Day (School & Nursery closed)

Remaining INSET Days for 20/21:

Fri 23rd Oct (school and nursery), Mon 30th Nov, Mon 4th Jan, Fri 23rd Jul (school only).

Summer Reading Challenge

This week saw the 'Silly Squad' Summer Reading Challenge come to a close. Well done to all those that took part. If your child successfully read 6 books or more as part of the challenge please let your class teacher know, either at the classroom door or via Tapestry, and we can then celebrate this and award them with their certificate and medal.



Dear Parents and Carers,

The children and staff are now well and truly back into the rhythm of school and nursery "as normal" after being apart for so long. The children are really enjoying being engaged in their learning through our integrated curriculum project approach. In Y2 children are being inspired by learning about 'heroes', in Y1 the children are being scientists and learning about senses and the children in YR are learning about themselves and all the wonderful things they can do.

And finally, a big warm welcome to the new families that have joined our community since the last newsletter was published.

Kind Regards

Mr O Bradley—Headteacher

Home Digital Access Survey

Thank you to those families that have returned their 'Home Digital Access Surveys' so far. We asked that they were returned by today. If you have not returned it please do so as soon as possible.

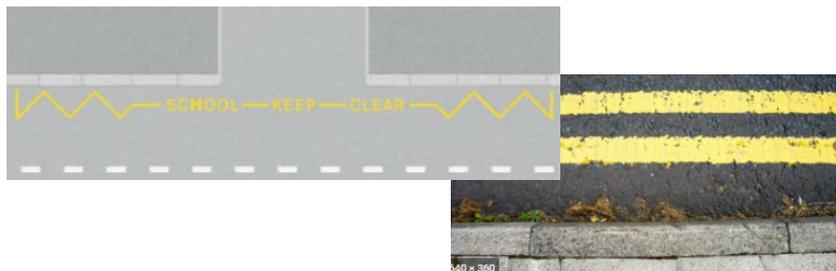
Walk to School Week



Next week we are taking part in 'Walk to School Week' with all children in school. This national initiative aims to promote the physical and mental health benefits of walking as well as the ecological benefits of not using a vehicle. Exercising each day is a vital part of a healthy lifestyle which is even more important given the current situation. All children will be issued with a sticker chart and each time they walk to school they will be given a sticker to add to their chart. If they have successfully collected 5 stickers they will be awarded with a 'Walk to School Week' badge.

If you don't normally walk to school, next week make a change to your routine. Consider walking even some of the way if it is not possible to walk the whole way. Get off the bus a stop early or park your car further away than normal!

Heyward Road Traffic



In the mornings and at the end of the day vehicle traffic along Heyward Road (at the rear of the school and nursery site) is very heavy and has caused many issues including a couple of 'near misses' involving children. These issues are caused by parents parking on double yellow lines and the zig zag markings. These markings are there to keep pedestrians safe. It is illegal to park in these areas unless you are a holder of a valid Blue Badge for those with disabilities.

Traffic enforcement officers and enforcement cameras are often in use along Heyward Road and Bramble Road to ensure everyone's safety. The school and nursery is also considering taking part in an initiative to introduce temporary road closures on streets around school sites.

Please respect the safety of all road users, local residents and our children by not parking where you shouldn't.

Autumnal Weather

As the weather is making a seasonal change at the moment please send your children into school and nursery with appropriate clothing, including a waterproof coat and robust footwear.

If you would like to send your child in with wellington boots you may but they will also need a change of shoes to wear during the day.

Please remember to name all items of clothing including coats and footwear.

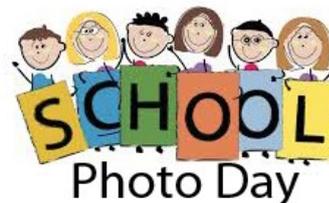


School Photographer

On Monday 12th October our school photographer, Cardwell & Simons, will be visiting to take individual photos of all the children that will be available for parents to purchase.

Unfortunately they will not be offering family or sibling photographs due to COVID restrictions whilst operating on our site.

Don't forget to send your child in in the smartest uniform on this day!



Lost Property

Our lost property boxes are overflowing with unnamed school jumpers. Please make sure that you label all items of your child's clothing so they don't get lost. We have many parents that get frustrated about children losing items of clothing, but if they are not named staff are unable to reunite them with their owners.

Our Learning



In **Primrose Class** the children have recently enjoyed playing in the role play area where they have toy babies, clothes and nappies. This week their play has been extended by including washing of the babies, taking them for walks and lots more!

The staff in **Bluebell Class** have been reflecting on practice and the provision they have provided for the children by adding to their Learning Journey wall. Zoom in to have a look!



In **Blackberry Class** the children have also been enjoying playing with babies and practicing taking care of them. This has helped them to develop their fine motor and imaginative skills.

In **Pre-School** the children have been enjoying learning about signs of Autumn. Here the children are developing their motor skills by trying to scoop up the conkers!



In **Year R** the children have been getting used to staying at school all day and spending time with new friends and old!

This week as part of their Super Senses project in **Year 1**, the children have been focusing on their sense of sight and finding out just how important eyes are to see by supporting each other blindfolded around an obstacle course in the playground.



Year 2 have been counting in 2s, 5s and 10s this week - using coins to help them. They've also been thinking about how much money some of George's Marvellous Medicine ingredients would cost!