

Bramble Infant School & Nursery Newsletter



Friday 30th April 2021

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Diary Dates

Fri 30th Apr: Mid Year Reports published to parents
Mon 3rd May: Bank Holiday (School & Nursery Closed)
Tues 4th May: Y1 Visit to Milton Park
Mon 10th May: Class Group Photos (School)
Fri 14th May: Y1 Visit to Sir Harold Hillier Gardens
Wed 19th May: Y2 Visit to Sea City Museum
Thurs 27th & Fri 28th May: YR Visit to Hyden Farm
Fri 28th May: Last day of school half term
Mon 1st Jun—Fri 5th Jun: Half Term School Closed
Mon 7th Jun: First day of school Summer Term 2

Remaining INSET Days for 2020/21:

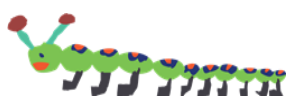
Fri 23rd July (School only)

Attendance

Well done everyone for the high levels of attendance that we are seeing at the moment. This week our overall attendance was **94%**. This is below our target of 96%. If you need support with attendance matters please contact our Attendance Officer.



Scavenger Hunt



Thank you so much to everyone for all your AMAZING fundraising efforts with our Casey the Aspirational Caterpillar Scavenger Hunt. So far we have raised over £2800. This is an incredible amount and has surpassed our expectations. The money will be used to purchase the following:

- In Nursery & Year R— new bikes and outdoor play equipment.
- In Year 1—Equipment for the outdoor learning space.
- In Year 2—Equipment to implement Project Discovery Learning inside and out.

If there are any donations still to be returned please send them to the office as soon as possible.

Dear Parents and Carers,

As this is the first newsletter of the Summer term I would like to welcome you all back after the Easter break. I hope that you all had a lovely time celebrating and making use of our new found freedom following the lifting of some public health restrictions. The children have started the new term really well and teachers and other staff wasted no time in beginning engaging new projects in Year R, 1 and 2.

You may have recently noticed the installation of some new fencing around the playground. This was expertly completed by Mr Ware and Mr Simpson during the Easter holidays. We are hoping to introduce more planting behind this fencing to further enhance our school grounds. Thank you to our site team for completing this.

Kind Regards

Mr O Bradley—Headteacher

End of Day Collection of Children

Thank you to all the parents that are respecting social distancing measures and the wearing of face coverings when dropping off and collecting your child from school and nursery. However, staff are finding it increasingly challenging to identify parents so that they know that children are being released safely.

At the end of the day please come as close as possible to the classroom (whilst still respecting social distancing). If this means you need to queue, then please do. Please do not expect your child to be released from the classroom if you are waiting at the back of the playground. Also, if you are wearing sun glasses or headwear and you are able to remove them please do so that you are more easily identifiable.



Our Learning



In **Primrose Class** their focus this week has been communication. The children really enjoyed sharing a story with a grown up. They enjoyed looking at the different pictures, talking about the animals and felt all the different textures on each page.

Over recent weeks in **Bluebell Class** the children have been looking at family photos in our photo album, dancing to our favourite music and building models with magnetic bricks.



In **Blackberry Class** this week the children have enjoyed learning through the context of space. Here they are developing their motor skills and design skills.

In **Pre School** this week some of the children were engaged in great 'team work' whilst playing and digging in the mud kitchen.



The children in **Year R** (and Pre-School!) have been loving having the mud kitchen open again. They must wear wellies but may come home with a bit of mud on their clothes - this is a sign that they've been having fun and learning all about different consistencies by adding water and building up their muscles by digging- as well as discovering the odd worm!

This week, as part of their new science led 'Plant a Little Seed' project the children in **Year One** have had lots of opportunities to plant seeds, vegetables and flowers, inside and outside. They are looking forward to watching everything grow!



This week **Year Two** were really successful at being illustrators when they had a virtual author visit from Emily Gravett. They had a great time learning about her books and what an author and illustrator does.