



Bromley Bulletin



Join the Learning Adventure!

Dates for the Diary...

September

- 19.9.18 Y6 camp meeting 5pm
- 21.9.18 Jeans for Genes day
- 28.9.18 Step back in time day

October

- 1.10.18 Puffers class assembly
2.45PM
- 5.10.18 Y6 Lifeskills trip
- 8.10.18 Orcas class assembly
- 12.10.18 Y5 Learning lunch
- 19.10.18 Enrichment 1
- 25.10.18 FoS disco

End of term

26.10.18 INSET 2

November

- 5.11.18 Start Term 2
- w/c 12.11.18 Anti-bullying week
- 12.11.18 Tetras class assembly
2.45PM
- 15.11.18—16.11.18 Year 5 camp
- w/c 19.11.18 NO CLUBS

- 19.11.18 Parent Consultations 1
- 22.11.18 Y3 Stonehenge trip
- 22.11.18 Parent consultations 2
- 23.11.18 Year 4 Viking workshop
- 26.11.18 Tigers class assembly
2.45PM

December

- 3.12.18 FoS Film Night
- 7.12.18 Year 4 Learning Lunch
- 20.12.18 FoS Disco
- 21.12.18 Enrichment 2

End of term 2

Great to be back at BHJS!

What an amazing start to the new school year! Everyone has returned from the summer holidays full of energy, positivity and enthusiasm for the year ahead. We are particularly enjoying getting to know our new children and families in Year 3. What a super addition to our school you are already proving to be: an energetic, thoughtful and caring group who are bringing daily smiles to all our faces. I've also been very impressed with our Year 4, 5 and 6 returning pupils; they have taken to their new classes and responsibilities admirably and as a result the atmosphere around the community has been exemplary.

The start of a school year is a great opportunity to revisit school values and introduce new whole school approaches. Over the last couple of weeks, our children have been exploring what it means to be a member of our school community; revisiting this term's value **Responsibility**, and exploring our **Jigsaw** approach to our Life Learning Curriculum. Alongside this, we have been further exploring mindfulness within our Jigsaw lessons: these sessions help children to value themselves as individuals, consider how they can relate to others through raising self-awareness, group awareness, collaboration skills and respectfulness which all prepares them for the wider world.

The new year has also been a great opportunity to remind the children about our whole school approach to **Growth Mindset**. At BHJS we are firm believers that our best learning happens when we place ourselves slightly outside of our comfort zones and recognise that when we make mistakes and learn from them. Growth mindset focuses on the power of positive thinking and resilience - how our approach impacts on our outcomes. We are helping our children to understand that any mistakes and challenges on our learning journey ultimately make us stronger and therefore to embrace them and that through practice we improve. We hope that you will join us on this learning journey and look forward to working closely with you in the coming year.

Kind Regards

Tracy Serle



Our school mascot, Captain Roger Values, explains our core values



Useful Information and Reminders



PE Prep

Please ensure that your child/children have a full and appropriate PE kit in school at all times so that they can benefit from all PE lessons. We do not allow children to borrow or share kit so it is important that they come to school with everything they need. We encourage warm, dark and plain jogging bottoms and tops for their outdoor activities. We also ask children to remove earrings and jewelry before the start of the lesson. The only exception to this is where piercings have been completed within the last 6 weeks and so must be covered by micropore tape.

The Autumn weather is very much upon us but we don't let it stop us having fun at BHJS! Please make sure that your child wears a warm and waterproof coat to school every day as we will endeavor to



go out during play, regardless of the conditions, in order to burn off some extra energy and get some fresh air.

Term Time Absences

Good attendance is essential for our children to make secure progress. The school will therefore not authorise absences from school unless for exceptional circumstances (e.g. a funeral). Please see the school website for more information.

Home Learning

Our Home Learning rotation (English, Maths, Wider Curriculum activity) is currently set every Wednesday and due back the following Monday. If your child is unable to complete this for any reason they will be invited to Learning Lunch during lunch time in order to receive support to complete the task.

This year we are also introducing a new Home School record Book where your child will record their weekly spellings and families can record their daily reading and times tables rehearsals. Spellings are set each Monday and children will be tested on these on a Friday.

We are in the process of reviewing our Home Learning approaches in school to make sure that we are effectively focusing on key skills and knowledge development. Keep your eyes out for a parent questionnaire for us to hear your views on this subject.

Staying Safe

Please support us in ensuring that children do not ride bikes or scooters in the playground at the start or end of the school day. Whilst we are keen for children to travel to school in an active way, we also have to make sure that the playground is a safe place for all during these busy times. Thank you!

Out of School Achievements

As well as weekly certificates to celebrate children who have stood out for demonstrating our school values that week, we also have an out of school achievement assembly each month.

We love to celebrate the whole child so if your child has recently been awarded a certificate or medal in an interest or hobby, we encourage you to send them in to school on the first Tuesday of each month so that they can share these achievements with the whole school.



Increasingly limited school budgets mean that we are always grateful for donations made to the school. Whether you are clearing out your cupboards and shelves at home ready for Christmas or you are passing the book aisle in the local supermarket and

pop an extra item in the basket, any of the following donations will always be put to good use:

- ◆ Any age appropriate fiction or non-fiction books (e.g. Roald Dahl, JK Rowling, David Walliams etc)
- ◆ Any complete board games and/or card games



On Friday 28th September, the whole school is participating in a 'Step Back in Time' Day to add interest and excitement to our History topics. We are asking for all children to dress as **something** or **somebody** from the period studied in their year group this term. Teachers will be joining in too!

Year Three: Stone Age

Year Four: Anglo-Saxons and Vikings

Year Five: Tudors

Year Six: Mayans

For some classes, this will be the opening and for others it may act as a celebration for the end of their unit.