

Bramley Sunnyside Infant School
Newsletter 16 Spring Term 10th January 2020



A Warm Welcome Back – HAPPY NEW YEAR and many of them!

It has been lovely to see the children back in school after the Christmas break. We have lots of exciting learning opportunities planned. Topic Letters explaining this will be coming home shortly.

FREE Family Learning Events

Year 1 children - Wacky Races 17th & 24th January (2 sessions to attend) 1pm – 3pm
Build the car of your dreams. Use skills in engineering and design to create a supercar. See who can cross the finish line first.

FS2 children – Bring Book To Life – 10th February 2020 - 1pm – 3pm

Use your imagination to bring a traditional story to life with creative storytelling activities.

To book a place please contact the school office.

Reading Race

The Spring 1 Reading Race has now started! Week one's home reading will be counted on Monday. Let's see which class takes the lead!

Movie Nights –FS2/Year 1 & Year 2

Look out for a letter which will be emailed to you shortly regarding a series of Movie Nights starting next Thursday.

Attendance Monitoring

Thank you to all our families who have ensured their child/ren attend school regularly and on time – Let's see if we can raise our attendance levels even further this term!

As you are aware all schools have a legal duty to monitor every child's attendance and liaise with parents accordingly, every child is expected to maintain an attendance level of 96% or above. Should a child's attendance drop below 90% (regardless of the reasons for absence) they are classed as a Persistent Absentee and monitored closely by the Education Welfare Officer. In such cases we are unable to authorise any further absences until attendance improves to an acceptable level. Whilst as a School, we recognise that illness is unavoidable and once attendance drops below 90% we are unable to authorise any further absences. We appreciate your understanding on this matter.

Should any family wish to meet with us and explore support around improving your child's attendance please make an appointment at the office. . Please note that we are aware of any special circumstances that contribute to an attendance level being particularly low (i.e. unavoidable or long term illness) and take this into consideration when liaising with the Education Welfare Officer.



Lateness

We must stress the importance that children are in school at the start of the day in order not to miss vital learning opportunities.

Every morning after register the children have literacy and numeracy sessions and arriving late and missing part or all of these sessions means that the child will be at a severe disadvantage compared to pupils who consistently arrive on time. This learning will always be lost as there is no time to revisit it again. We do understand that on very rare occasions there will be times when problems occur which result in children arriving late but persistent lateness will lead to low levels of progress in their education

Foundation 1 Homework

Please read with your child at home and record it in their home/school diary. We look forward to seeing your fabulous reading next week. Our number of the week this week is 4, can you find 4 around your home/ community environment.

Foundation 2 Homework

Literacy

Read your book to your grown up 5 times

Practice learning to read these words by heart: - I, to, my, no, go, the. If you can do this, please learn to spell the words.

Numeracy

Draw and cut out 6 gold coins. Practice splitting them into two parts for two pirates. How many different ways can you do this? Draw them in your book.

Find a small clear plastic bottle and bring it into school. We will be writing messages to put into them.

KS1 Homework

Year 1 spellings- very, lucky, funny, party, dirt, girl, third. Can you think of any more words with these spelling patterns in? Write them in your homework book in your very best handwriting.

Year 2 Spellings – happier luckier fluffier happiest luckiest fluffiest

We use these adjectives when we are comparing nouns. The suffixes 'er' and 'est' have been added to the root words happy, lucky and fluffy. Because the root words end with y, the y is **changed to an i**, before adding the suffix 'er' and 'est'. Can you think of other words which follow this rule?

Class 5, 6, 7, 8 and 10 Topic – Please bring in a photograph of you as a baby, a toddler and a recent photo. We will be using these to look how we change as we grow in our science or history learning.

Diary Dates

17&24/1/20 YR1 Family Learning Sessions (Wacky Races) (2 sessions) 1.15-3pm

28/2/19 FS2 Family Learning Sessions (Bring books to life) 1.15-3pm

Inset Days 2019/2020

Friday 14th February 2020

Friday 19th June 2020

Monday 20th July 2020

Holiday Dates:

February half term - 17th February to 21st February. (1 week)

Easter - 6th April to 17th April. (2 weeks)

May Day - Friday 8th May.

Spring Bank - 25th May to 29th May. (1 week)

Summer - 21st July (6 weeks)