

# Bramley Sunnyside Infant School

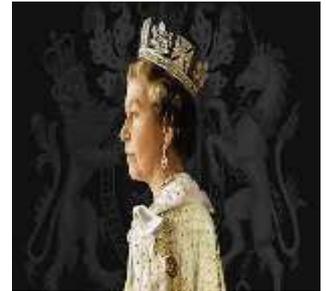
Newsletter 2 Autumn Term 16th September 2022

All the following information can be found on the following:

 @bramleyinf:  [www.bramleysunnysideinfant.co.uk](http://www.bramleysunnysideinfant.co.uk)



Our school will be closed to staff and pupils on Monday 19th September. This date has been declared a Bank Holiday due to the funeral of Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. School will re-open on Tuesday 20th September (Regular attendance throughout the mourning period is expected with the exception of the day of the funeral)



Bramley Parish Council have asked us to let you know that a book of condolence is available at the Youth Centre on Flash Lane and the Village Hall on Cross street for members of the community to express their condolences to the Royal Family.

### Free School Meals Information

As you are aware, all children in FS2, Year 1 & 2 are entitled to receive a Universal Free School Meal which is funded by the government. However, many families do not realise that they may qualify for benefits related free school meals (pupil premium). If parents apply and are eligible, your child can access FREE educational visits, FREE After School Clubs along with many other activities which take place in school throughout the year and normally involve payment. Applying is easy, please ring the Benefits Department on 336065.

**Please note if your child was in Foundation Stage 1 last year and was in receipt of benefits you will still need to apply as this is NOT done automatically.**

### After/Before School Clubs

You are now able to book and pay using your Arbor Parent portal by selecting Activities and choosing the Trip tab. Please see table below for more details.

<b>MONDAY AFTER SCHOOL - 3:05pm - 4:10pm - WORLD CUP FOOTBALL SKILLS &amp; MATCHES</b>
For: FS2 to Year 2 • Starts: Monday 26th September 2022 • Half Term Price: £12 (4 weeks)
<b>WEDNESDAY AFTER SCHOOL - 3:05pm - 4:10pm - HOT SHOTS BASKETBALL SKILLS &amp; GAMES</b>
For: FS2 to Year 2 • Starts: Wednesday 21st September 2022 • Half Term Price: £15 (5 weeks)
<b>FRIDAY BEFORE SCHOOL - 7:50am - 8:50am - FLOOR &amp; APPARATUS GYMNASTICS</b>
For: FS2 to Year 2 • Starts: Friday 23rd September 2022 • Half Term Price: £15 (5 weeks)

### Underwear

If you have any spare boys and girls underwear sizes 3-4, 4-5, 5-6 they will be greatly received in school.

## Year group welcome meeting

Please find attached with the email the power point presentations from last week's year group welcome meetings

## Book Club



We would like to remind you that we hold a Book Club in school every Thursday morning which is run voluntarily by a group of lovely ladies. All the children visit book club to look at the books and if they bring a small amount of money each week, they can save up for a book of their choice. Once the full amount is paid, they will bring their book home. This is a fantastic opportunity for the children to learn the basics of budgeting and the understanding that sometimes we have to wait for things that we would like. There is no set weekly amount and the book will be reserved for your child as soon as they make their first payment.

## Lost Property

It is only a few weeks since we sorted out the lost property and unfortunately we already have a growing number of items which have lost their owners, including school jumpers, fleeces, lunch boxes and coats. Please check that your child has all their belongings at home time and make sure that all items of clothing are clearly labelled. We will store it on a lost property rack located in the main school hall for families to look through themselves when dropping off or collecting children. Lost Property will be kept for a half term, and then any uncollected items will be disposed.



## Attendance



Attending school on a regular, punctual basis is one the most important ways of making sure your child gets off to the best possible start in life. We would like to remind you of our expectations of attendance and punctuality.

Attendance really DOES matter. Never underestimate the importance of 100% attendance. Even one day missed can have an effect on learning.

We advise that your child attends school every day unless there is a genuine reason for absence. Medical appointments taken in school time also impacts on your child's attendance. If possible, we would ask that these appointments be made outside the school day. In our school, in order for an attendance record to be deemed acceptable, it should be 96% or above:

- 100% attendance means **0** school days missed
- 95% attendance means your child has had approximately **10** school days missed
- 90% attendance means your child has had approximately **20** school days missed
- 85% attendance means your child has had approximately **30** school days missed
- 80% attendance means your child has had approximately **40** school days missed

Persistent Absentee Children with an attendance of 90% or below are classed as persistent absentees. Persistent absenteeism is when a child misses 10% or more of the possible sessions in an academic year.

Leave of absence during term time for holiday reasons is never authorised (except in 'exceptional circumstances'). The Law (Government) has made it clear that Head Teachers are NOT to authorise absence for any holiday during term time, except under 'exceptional circumstances'. Exceptional circumstances does not involve cheaper holiday costs or family availability.

If you feel there are 'exceptional circumstances' why your child needs to be absent from school during term time, you should apply, in advance, by completing a 'Leave of Absence' form available from the school office explaining clearly the dates and reasons you are requesting the 'Leave of Absence'. If the school refuses a request for 'Leave of Absence' and the child is still taken out of school this will be recorded as an 'unauthorised absence' and noted in the child's attendance record.

'Fixed Penalty Notices' came into force from the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018.

- A Fixed Penalty Notice will be issued for holiday in term time when a child's attendance falls below the **national average percentage** which is currently 95.8%.
- The time period **includes the holiday period** and the previous 12 months attendance. This may well mean that a 'Fixed Penalty Notice' (fine) will be issued.
- The Local Authority can now also issue a fine (Fixed Penalty Notice) for children whose parent(s) do not complete a school request form for a 'leave of absence' providing they meet the criteria for taking a holiday during term time which is defined as –“the deliberate taking of a holiday/leave of absence in term time without the school's permission where this has created a period of unauthorised absence of a least 10 sessions (just 5 school days)

We must also remind you of the importance of punctuality with regards to the beginning of the school day. You will be aware of the school's session start times when ALL children are expected to be on the school premises by this time.

## ATTENDANCE

**The WINNERS for**

**Last Week**  
**05/09/22 to 09/09/22**

**With**  
**100%**  
**Were**  
**Class 6,8 ,10 and**  
**Unit 3**



**WELL DONE!**

Class Attendance (last week)		
Unit 2	97.2%	
Unit 3	100%	
Unit 4	97.8%	
Class 5	97.3%	
Class 6	100%	
Class 8	100%	
Class 10	100%	
<b>Whole School Overall</b>	<b>98.7%</b>	

## Holiday Dates:

Please ensure that leave in term time for holiday reasons is avoided and all holidays are taken when school is closed (see term dates for 2022-2023 below). Thank you.

## **Academic Year 2022/2023**

24<sup>th</sup> October 22 – 28<sup>th</sup> October 22  
19<sup>th</sup> December 22 – 30<sup>th</sup> December 22  
2<sup>nd</sup> January 23 – Bank Holiday  
13<sup>th</sup> February 23 – 17<sup>th</sup> February 23  
3<sup>rd</sup> April 23– 14<sup>th</sup> April 23  
1<sup>st</sup> May 23– Bank Holiday  
29<sup>th</sup> May 23 – 2<sup>nd</sup> June 23

### **Inset days for the academic year 2021-2022**

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022  
Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023  
Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023



### **FS1 Happy Home Learning**

Please continue to practise putting on your own shoes and coats. We have noticed more children trying to do this independently this week which we were really pleased about 😊.

**Nursery rhyme of the week:** Please practise singing 'Twinkle Twinkle Little Star' at home. We are really enjoying singing together at school and will ask you to practise a different nursery rhyme at home each week.

### **FS2 Homework**

As part of our phonics sessions we have been playing lots of oral blending games, please follow the links to the Read, Write, Inc portal where your child can listen to and join in with some short 'Fred Talk' clips.

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/vWweQ8LL/qBGVoVMN>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/V7L9ybyU/5X2HxkRw>

We have also introduced the first 5 letter sounds m,a,s,d,t please practise writing these in the air using the following rhymes "Maisie mountain mountain", "around the apple and down the leaf", "slither down the snake", "round his bottom, up his tall neck and down to his feet" and "down the tower, across the tower". If your child chooses to practise these letter sounds on paper please support your child to use the correct pencil grip.



## Class 6, Class 7 and Class 10 Homework

**Y1 spellings**\_Common exception words\_ **he she so to with**

**Y2 Spellings (Class 6)**– Common exception words **where there**

age huge change strange village What other words have the 'ge' sound?

### Reading

Thank you for all the wonderful home reading you have already been doing. Now that your child has their home-school reading diary, please ensure every home read is recorded. (There is no need to backdate.)

### Maths

**Y1**-Continue to practise counting backwards from 20. This is proving quite a challenge! Also this week we have been comparing the length or height of objects using the words 'taller' 'tallest' and 'longer' 'longest' (not biggest smallest) choose 2 or 3 objects. Can your child say a sentence about each object. E.g 'The tin of beans is taller than the cup' 'The cup is shorter than the tin of beans' 'The spoon is shorter than the pencil' 'The pencil is longer than the spoon'

**Y2 (class 6)**- We have been working on addition of 3 numbers by finding a known number bond and then adding the third number. E.g  $6 + 4 + 3 =$

$$\begin{array}{c} 6 + 4 + 3 = \\ \downarrow \downarrow \\ 10 + 3 = 13 \end{array}$$

## Class 5 and Class 8 Homework

**Spellings of the week** – **where there**

age huge change strange village

What other words have the 'ge' sound?

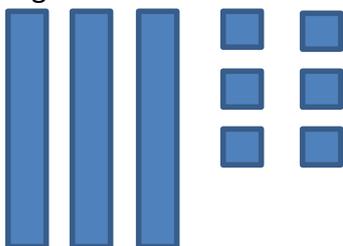
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### Maths

We have been looking at the place value of two-digit numbers beyond 20.

E.g.  $36 = 3 \text{ tens and } 6 \text{ ones/units}$



Please represent the following numbers through a number sentence or drawing.

24

31

43

57

62