

Bramley Sunnyside Infant School

Newsletter 22

Spring 2: 1st March 2019

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School Matters!



Parent Consultation Evenings

Please remember to sign up for Parent Consultation Evening which will take place next week, Monday 4th March to Thursday 7th March. There are time sheets outside each classroom. Thank you

Important E Safety Advice

We have been made aware recently about a very unpleasant & worrying type of 'pop up' which appears when children access sites such as YouTube. The pop up is called a MOMO and some parents report their children have had this appear when accessing children's sites such as Peppa Pig via YouTube at home. We have sought advice from our E Safety officer who advises parents to:

- Only let your children use the YouTubeKids site (this is much safer than normal YouTube)
- When searching for cartoons e.g peppa pig, mickey mouse etc use a link via a channel (bbc, cbeebies, Disney channel etc.) as this is much safer than just typing into a search box
- Keep a close eye on your child when they are using the internet. It's important to keep talking to your child and reminding them that if they are upset by something they see when using electronic devices to tell an adult straight away

Our staff will also be reminding the children in age appropriate ways about the importance of staying safe online.

Please take a look at the website: www.rotherhampower.co.uk

There is up to date information on there (under the Parent tab) about MOMO's and other worrying sites such as Tik Tok etc. There are downloadable resources available on this website as well – it is an excellent resource!

Following on from our e-safety week here are some useful stories and video links that the children can also watch and share at home with you.

EYFS

Smartie the penguin - <https://www.childnet.com/resources/smartie-the-penguin>

There are also some lovely e- safety activities around Smartie that you could do, as we would love to see them in school. .

Year 1/2

Zap and Zoom a space race – <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2019/sid-tv-2019/sid-tv-2019-zap-and-zoom-space-race-film-3-7>

Please also find separate attachments attached with the newsletter email for more online safety information and tips.



Red Nose Day

We will be taking part in Red Nose Day on Friday 15th March 2019. Children may come to school dressed in clothing of their choice. Voluntary donations greatly received on the day.



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.

Treasure Box

As you are aware we have a 'Treasure Box' in school. When a child reads at home 3 times during a week, they receive a stamp. Once they have 5 stamps in their diary they can take a small gift from the treasure box. The gifts include small inexpensive items such as pencils, crayons, hair clips and various small toys.

We would welcome any donations of unwanted items which could be used (e.g. McDonalds Happy Meal toys, unwanted gifts from comics etc.) so that we can keep the treasure box overflowing. Any donations should be brought to the school office. Thank you

Lost Property

Could you please check lost property which is located in the main hall for items that your child may have mislaid? The baskets are overflowing with hats, gloves and scarves and there are also, jumpers and coats which need to find their owners.

Breakfast Club

As Breakfast Club is becoming very popular and is often full on certain days. It is most important to book online using your schoolmoney account to secure a place. When making your booking please make sure you complete the transaction immediately to confirm and secure your booking.

Granny Norbag is Back!

We are very excited to announce that the author of Granny Norbag and the Naughty Pirates, Malcolm Hogan, is releasing a new book called Granny Norbag and the Cave Troll! If you pre-order the book, you will receive it on the release date on World Book Day, Thursday 7th March. All children who purchase the book will be able to meet Malcolm Hogan again for a book-signing session in the Summer term (date to be confirmed). The book is available to pre-order at the at the cost of £5 (RRP £8.99). Please use your school money account to make the payment.



World Book Day - Reminder

Dress as a book character: We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7th March. Children are invited to come into school dressed as their favourite book character! We ask for a small voluntary donation towards new books for school, which can be brought on the day.

'Book in a Box': It's time to get creative and bring a book to life! Choose your favourite book and make the setting and characters inside a box (shoe box/cereal box). Decorate your box inside and out to represent the different parts of the book.

Here are some tips/ideas:

- Draw or cut out pictures of the characters or significant objects from the book.
- Recreate a scene from the book inside.
- Include interesting quotes from the text.
- Don't forget to include the title and author of the book too.
- Make it as colourful and exciting as you can.

Label your box clearly with your name and class and bring your 'book in a box' into school by Thursday 7th March.



Reminder - Sponsored Spell

Reminder that the sponsored spells will take place the week beginning 4th March. Sponsorship money will be collected from Friday 8th March. Keep practising!

Reading Race

Congratulations to Class 8 for winning the Spring 1 Reading Race! You will be going to Wickersley Library on Monday 4th March for a special Knights and Princesses treat! The Spring 2 Reading Race has now started. Which class will read the most at home this half term?

“The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more you learn, the more places you’ll go.”
Dr. Seuss

Happy Home Learning Foundation 1

This week remember to complete your book in a box! We are so excited to see your creations. This half term Unit 1 are joining in the fun of the school reading race. Can we be top of the leader board this half term? Please read at home, we look forward to seeing who can be our reading superheroes in class on Monday. Remember to hand in your diary on Monday. In our reading area this half term we have our superheroes, as well as reading at home this week can you *draw a picture of your own superhero/supertato. What would your superhero wear? What is their magic power?*

FS2 Homework

Literacy

Please continue to practise reading and writing the dangerous word spellings ready for the sponsored spell on Monday.

Number

In your homework book make a number line from 0 to 10. Concentrate on forming the numbers correctly. To support your child with the correct number formation you can find the snake numbers in your home school diary.

Year 1 Homework

Literacy/Science

Research the planets in our solar system. What are the names of the planets? Choose one planet and research what it is like.

Maths

Practise number bonds to 10 on Hit the Button. Select ‘Number Bonds’ and ‘Make 10’

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

We will be making rockets in DT this half term. Please help us by bringing in any cardboard tubes/plastic bottles. Thank you.

Year 2 Homework

Literacy

Please continue to practise spelling common exception words ready for the sponsored spell next week.

Maths

How many different ways can you share the following numbers into equal groups?

10 12 6 15 20

You could use a jotting to show how you have shared it. Challenge yourself to write the matching division number sentence.

Topic

Look out for signs of spring. Draw a picture and write some sentences about it if you like.

Absence During Term Time/Leave of Absence Forms

Please remember to minimise taking your child out of school in term time. Family holidays during term time will not be authorised unless there are exceptional circumstances.

By taking family holidays during the designated holiday periods, you will be supporting your child's full school attendance, learning, development and progress.

Any Leave of Absence forms which requests 5 or more days should not be handed into the school office until 2 weeks in advance of the first date of absence.

Absence during term time (for any reason other than illness or medical appointments) will be unauthorised except in 'very exceptional circumstances'. Family holidays are not classed as 'exceptional circumstances'. It is very important that all parents and carers understand that children with unauthorised absences will be at risk of receiving a Fixed Penalty Notice issued by the Local Authority.

Holidays taken in term time will be unauthorised, recorded on your child's attendance record and will affect your child's attendance percentage. 10 days absence will reduce your child's percentage by 7.5% which will then alert the Education Welfare Office, who regularly attends school to discuss attendance/lateness issues and persistent absences.

Absence Notifications

When your child is absent from school, please remember to call the school office before 9.30am on each day of the absence. In order to comply with safeguarding procedures, we will contact you if we do not receive a message.

Medical & Dental Appointments

Can we please ask all parents to make medical and dental appointments outside school hours or in school holidays wherever possible. Should you be unable to make an appointment outside school please ensure that your child attends school prior to the appointment or immediately after the appointment.

Attendance Monitoring

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% or below (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.

At the parents evening in March, all parents will receive details informing you of your child's attendance.



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.

Class Attendance	
Unit 2	93.8 %
Unit 3	95.8%
Unit 4	93.1%
Class 5	97.7%
Class 6	95%
Class 7	96.3%
Class 8	95.8%
Class 9	100% 
Class 10	98.8%
School Overall	96.2%

The WINNERS for
Week
11/02/18 to 15/02/18
With
100%
Were
Class 9

WELL DONE !

Inset Days

In 2018/19 the school will be closed to all children on the following days to allow for staff training.

Friday 28th June 2019

Monday 22nd July 2019

Please note, the **school will be closed to Foundation Stage 1 Pupils only on Thursday 27th June** to allow the induction of new FS1 September starters to take place.

Holiday Dates

Easter – 15th April 2019 (2 weeks)

May Day – 6th May 2019

Spring Bank – 27th May 2019 (1 week)

Summer – 23rd July 2019 (22nd July – inset day) (6 weeks)

Diary Dates

4/3/19 Class 8 Reading Race Treat at Wickersley Library

7/3/19 World Book Day – Dress up as your favourite book character

14/3/19 Class 5 & 6 Disco Night

15/3/19 Red Nose Day

21/3/19 Class 7 & 8 Disco Night

23/5/19 FS1 Family Learning Sessions (Family Recycle IT) 1.15-3pm – details to follow

28/3/19 Class 9 & 10 Disco Night

Week commencing 4th March – Parent Consultations