

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents, Carers, Governors and Friends,

12th May 2017

What a week for Year 6 ... This week they have been taking their SATs and everyone has been amazing! Every child has shown fantastic resilience to the challenge of the week ... such positivity and industriousness every day and so very calm and measured. Year 6, you should be so very proud of showing yourselves at your very best ... We are so very proud of you. Thank you!

Thank you, too, to the rest of the school for showing such support for their Year 6 friends by keeping their learning busy and quiet and to all the staff who have supported in so many ways.

KS1 SATs will be taking place over the next two weeks. The children will be working in small groups or individually on a variety of different tasks at different times over the next two weeks. We wish them well. I am sure they will all do their very best.

We have had 5 nominations for Parent Governor which is fantastic. Thank you to all of the parents who have stood for this important role. Ballot boxes will be available on 19th May in the KS2 playground and also at the Reception desk, please do cast your vote.

Mrs O'Donnell has made a successful bid to the Woodland Trust and has secured 30 trees for our Forest School Area. This will enable us to create a more forest like environment for the children to explore. Thank you Mrs O'Donnell.

Thank you to the girls who have joined the football team — we do still have some spaces, so if you are a girl in Years 4 or 5 and enjoy playing football or would like to learn please see Mrs O'Donnell or Mr Rob. The children train every Friday morning at 8.00am.

Fidget Spinners are becoming increasingly popular in school. We realise that these are fun to play with, however please remind your child that they may only be used in the playground and must be put away before coming back into the classroom. If they become a problem in school we will have to ask children not to bring them in at all, unless they have been recommended by Mrs Burgess, our inclusion manager as a support for individual children.

May I remind you that children must wear the correct uniform, which includes a tie. Please also ensure you remind your child that shirts must be tucked in. Some parents have asked about whether girls may wear playsuits, which are now available in Marks and Spencer, as an alternative to summer dresses. This is not currently part of our uniform and would make going to the toilet much more difficult for the younger children.

Looking forward to seeing some of you at the Nearly New sale on Sunday.

Thank you for all of your continued support,

Have a lovely weekend.



Plant Appeal

If you have any small plants we would be grateful to receive them for our new planters. Herbs, strawberries, tomatoes or flowers. Thank you.



Ballot papers are due back on Friday 19th May. Please note that there was a small typo on the paper, Joanna Gent (not Dent) is standing for election along with Jessica Benning, Jay Dossetter, Helen Lucas, and Jess Milton.

Pets as Therapy

We are on a waiting list for a Pets as Therapy volunteer to come into school with their dog to listen to children read. As the waiting list is very long we wondered if any parents would be interested in training with Pets as Therapy and then come into school to read with our children. To be considered your dog must be over the age of 1, and both you and your dog would need to go through the Pets as Therapy training programme. Please contact 0208 589 9258 for more information.

FURRRIDA

Walk to School day 2017 Furriday 19th May

To link with the animal themed Smart Mover badges we are taking part in the Borough initiative Furry Friday.

For a £1 donation to the school you can walk to school carrying your favourite furry, soft toy friend.

Walking to school helps to keep our environment clean and green!

Important Dates Coming Up

Sunday 14th May - FOR Nearly New Sale

Friday 19th May - 3K Family Assembly EYFS to Godstone Farm FOR Quiz Night

May 15th - 25th - KS1 SATs May 25th - Year 5 cycling event

Monday 22nd - 26th May - Year 6 to IOW

Half Term - 29th May - 2nd June



House Points for this week

Blyton

267



Crompton

155

Darwin

230

Wells

255

FOR NEARLY NEW SALE

The Nearly New Sale is on Sunday 14th May from 10am to 2pm.

There will be a refreshment stand and lots of sellers to choose from.

It looks like it will be dry on Sunday so we anticipate the tables being outside in the KS1 playground.

Thank you for your support.



The Maypole Project a local children's charity are looking for volunteers to marshal at the Chislehurst half Marathon on Sunday 21st of May from 8am till 1pm

No previous experience required.

Keen to find out more? Please contact us on 01689 851596 OR info@themaypoleproject.co.uk

This is a stunning half marathon and we're delighted to have been chosen as their charity partner for this event. We hope you're able to join us and help make this year's run a great success

THANKS IN ADVANCE!

From everyone at The Maypole Project

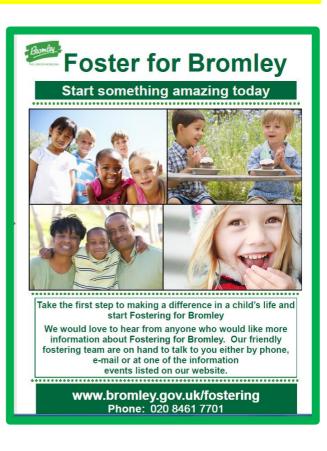
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'Spring into Summer' is taking place Saturday 20 & Sunday 21 May

There will be 40 walks ranging from short strolls to more challenging routes, all starting and finishing within easy reach of public transport and all led by experienced guides. Walks include Family Favourites, which features a fun-filled quiz for the children, and the popular Animal I-Spy stroll searching for dragons, lions and unicorns.

To book a free place, visit www.walklondon.org.uk



Attendance and Punctuality!

Overview

This week the overall attendance is 96.8% which is 1% up the last week.

Well done 6R, 6O, 4B, 4D all with 99%. Let's try to get all classes on Gold.



The best time keepers this week are 60, 4D, RE, 3K, LLC, 1R, 2MR and ULC all with no lates. This is great!

Please make sure that your child is only absent for authorised reasons. Please try to make appointments for Doctors and Dentist before or after school.

Lates

This week children were late for school a total of 26 times! We can do much better! It would be great to have one week with no lates.



Don't be late through the gate! Please make sure your child arrives in time for school!

Children must be at school each morning by 8.55 a.m. for KS1 children and 8.50 a.m. for the KS2.

Attendance for each		
class this week:		
Class	Attendance	No. of
	%	Lates
60	99	0
6R	99	2
4B	99	2
4D	99	0
RE	98	0
3K	98	0
LLC	97	0
RB	97	3
2H	97	5
1H	96	2
1R	95	0
5 F	95	4
3J	95	1

Gold: Excellent. These classes are meeting our target of 96.5% attendance.

94

94

93

0

2MR

5D

ULC

Green: These classes are doing very well with average attendance.

Amber: These classes are below average attendance at 92-95%.

Red: Attendance in this class is below 92% and of concern.