

Bramford Newsletter

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"Greatness from small beginnings"

Hello Bramford Family,

What a busy couple of weeks it has been in school since we have returned after the holidays! As we come towards the end of another school week there have been some exciting things happening to tell you about and a few things to remind you about that are occurring over the next few weeks.

Friday was Armistice Day and as one of our Proud Traditions, we recognised this as a school at 11.00am. A number of Year 6 children including our Head Boys and Girls wrote and read poems and laid a wreath on behalf of our school community. The Last Post was sounded by Mr Siviter and the children observed a two minutes silence to remember those who had given their lives in service of our country. Please take a look at the video and photographs on our new website and the school Facebook page of the service.

Reception classes this half term have made visits to the local Library in Coseley, to encourage their love for reading. All of the children had a fantastic time and the librarians were impressed with their enthusiasm to share stories and books and their lovely singing and dancing. The children were a credit to us all with their brilliant behaviour.

This week we are recognising 'Anti-Bullying Week' in school. This will be done through our school assemblies and a range of work and activities in class including our Positive Post-box. After taking part in the Big Anti-Bullying Assembly, Bramford was one of 300 schools chosen to take part in the campaign. This week your children will be writing letters and drawing pictures and posting them in the post-box. Later in the term, it will be sent to another school who will read all of our positive messages. In return, we will receive a post-box from another school and share their positive messages with our children.

Finally, thank you to all of the Year 1 and 2 parents, who attended the Phonics workshops, hopefully you have a better understanding of how we teach Phonics in school and that over the coming weeks and months you will be able to support your children with their reading. If you have any questions about the way Phonics is taught, please do not hesitate to ask your child's class teacher. The Reception parents meeting will be rearranged in the next few days and the date will be sent out to parents.

Once again, thank you for all your continued support.

Kind regards,

Ms C Handley Head of School



Congratulations goes out to the following pupils for winning a Praise Award. It's lovely to see parents come to watch the assemblies and be a part of one of our Proud Traditions.

KS1 pupils - Thomas, C-Jay, Sophia, Harrison, Edwin, Freddie, Poppy, Isabella

KS2 pupils – Layla, Summer, Kieron, Zack, Dylan, Amber, Mason, Dillan, Harley, Bianca, Kaitlyn, Jacob, Harry, Freya, Alfie, Amie, Joeb, Demi, Haydn-James

Well done everyone!

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Attendance

The winning class for week commencing 31st October is **1 Holiday** with **98.67% attendance.** Well done to everyone in Miss Hackney's class.

The winning class for week commencing 7th
November is **3 Kirby** with **100% attendance.** Well done to everyone in Mr
Davies' class. We are super proud!





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Reception Trip to Coseley Library

Last week, both Reception classes had an amazing time visiting Coseley Library. It was their first time travelling on the minibus, and they were so excited to go on this journey. The children were Concentrating Crocodiles listening attentively to two stories that were read by the librarian. They also enjoyed singing and dancing to the songs during rhythm time – so did Mr Siviter.

It was lovely to see the children reading the wide variety of books that the library had to offer. Lots of children were Go for It Gorillas, recognising their newly learnt phonics sounds in their chosen books. All of the reception staff were very proud of the children on their first Reception trip.











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Skip2Bfit Workshop

Pupils in Years 1 to 6 had an amazing time taking part in the Skip2Bfit 2-minute challenge. Each child showed perseverance and resilience when trying to beat their personal bests which all of them managed to do.

We can't wait to use skipping as a way of keeping healthy and fit throughout the school day. It has been lovely to see pupils using their skipping ropes in the playground.

Well done Bramford, you smashed it!









Year 5 & 6 Athletics Competition

Bramford takes the bronze

On Wednesday 9th November, 12 of our Year 5 and 6 Griffins took part in a sports hall athletics competition held at St James Academy. The competition, run by Active Black Country, featured 11 schools from around the Dudley North borough. After events such as javelin, long jump, chest push, speed bounce and relay races, Bramford earned a well-deserved 3rd place finish.

Well done to our Griffins; we are very proud

of you!







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Glow in the Dark Disco

Our Proud Tradition of the Bramford BPFA Disco returned with a BANG!



The 'glow in the dark' disco was fabulous on Wednesday evening after a three-year absence. Our little 'Griffins' were impeccably behaved and the children enjoyed themselves immensely.

Special thanks goes to the staff who volunteered their time to help out, to DJ Phil for providing the music and to the members of the BPFA for organising the event.

Thank you for supporting the event to make it such a success.







School Parliament

Bramford's School Parliament is an essential part of our school. They were all voted to be class representatives by children in their class. Our parliament ensure that all pupils in school have a voice. This is achieved when the representatives hold meetings with their class to discuss concerns or ideas for school improvement.

School Parliament are always thinking of others and they love to raise money for those less fortunate and for the children in the school. This term, School Parliament have already completed a survey about Bramford pupils' favourite books and authors and have used the information to compile a Reading Newsletter. They are currently organising a stall for the Christmas Fayre and they are also carrying out an audit of clubs that pupils enjoy at Bramford and will then put forward some ideas for other after school clubs that the children in the school would like to see offered.

School Parliament do a fantastic job and we are all very proud of them!







The Action Pack

We are delighted to introduce you to our chosen representatives for a new project run by the Wolves Foundation called The Action Pack.

This a new a Social Action Project that is about pupils coming together from a number of different schools to help improve their lives and tackle the problems that are important in their communities. The project will all be made up of the pupils' ideas to tackle societal issues that they feel strongly about.

Noah and Amelia from Year 5 will be attending termly meetings at the Molinuex and will be working alongside our School Parliament to ensure our children's voices are heard.







Parking

Can we please remind parents when parking outside of school to be considerate and respectful towards residents.

A number of local residents have recently contacted school regarding unsafe and illegal parking.

Please ensure you take care and do not block driveways for cars and emergency services.

PCSO's have been in contact and will be patrolling the area.

Thank you.



Key Dates

Friday 18th November - Children in Need (non-uniform for a donation) / World Cup activities

Monday 21st November – World Cup Day (pupils can wear football kit or sportswear) / 5 Anning trip to Lapworth Museum

Wednesday 23rd November – 5 Newton trip to Lapworth Museum

Friday 2nd December – Non-school uniform for a donation towards the Christmas Fayre (more information to follow)

Wednesday 7th December – Christmas Fayre

Thursday 8th December - R Simmonds Tea Party 2.30pm

Friday 9th December – R Hamilton Tea Party 2.30pm

Monday 12th December - KS1 Christmas Production (PM)

Tuesday 13th December – KS1 Christmas Production (AM & PM)

Wednesday 14th December – Nursery Santa & Songs (NAM & NPM) / Christmas Dinner Day

Thursday 15th December – Class Party Day (non-uniform)

Friday 16th December - Mince Pies & Carols in the playground / School finishes at 2.00pm

Monday 2nd January 2023 – Bank Holiday

Tuesday 3rd January – Pupils return to school

Wednesday 18th January – Year 6 SATs Parent Meeting (time TBC)

Monday 27th February – Inset Day (school closed to pupils)

Thursday 2nd March – World Book Day