

February 2024 Newsletter

Co-Headteachers' Message

This half term, there have been a multitude of educational visits taking place to enhance and enrich the curriculum. These visits are valuable in developing children's learning experiences outside of the classroom. The visits that have taken place this half term, have provided a unique opportunity for children to explore new places and cultures as well as promoting their social development.

We started the Spring term with Key Stage 1 and Years 4 and 5 visiting Milton Keynes theatre to watch Cinderella. A few weeks ago, a group of children from Year 2 upwards visited Wembley and participated in the Young Voices concert. Our children sang as part of a choir of five thousand children, from all over the country. Children, staff and parents who attended, all agreed that it was a spectacular event and a memorable experience.

In the last week of half term, Year 1 went on a walk around the local area as part of their geography topic 'Our Local Area'. Year 4 visited the Gurdwara to develop their RE knowledge and Year 5 met children from St Martin de Porres Primary School at the Stockwood Discovery Centre. This was part of their School Linking project. All the educational visits have made learning meaningful and exciting and next half term, we have more planned.

Thank you to the parents who responded to our catering survey. In April, Leicestershire will no longer be our catering providers, as we will be taking ownership of providing our own school meals. We aim to provide quality meals that appeal to the children and are good value for money. We will take on board the feedback that you have given us and we are in the process of planning a new menu. At the start of the summer term, we will hold a launch event where you can come and look at the menu and sample some of the meals.

We hope that you and the children are having a relaxing half term break and we look forward to the children returning to school on Monday 26th February.



19.02.24	Half Term Week
26.2.24	Children return to school
7.3.24	World Book Day (Come to school in your pyjamas!)
11.3.24	Year 4 — British Museum London
12.3.24	Year 5 — Space Centre trip
14.3.24	Year 3 — Bramingham Church
19.3.24	Year 3 — Celtic Harmony trip
20.3.24	Year 1— Bramingham Church
21.3.24	Year R — Bramingham Church
25.3.24	Open evening 4pm– 7pm
27.3.24	Open evening 4pm-7pm
28.3.24	Last day of term

School Council

Our School Council consists of a representative from each class from Years 1 to Year 6. They meet weekly and set their own agenda, focusing on their aims on how they wish to develop and improve school life. Please find an update on the work that they have been doing so far. Their focus this term has been on the environment:

'We have written to the Council and companies asking for litter pickers. We have been around the school, finding and taking pictures of all the litter on our school grounds. To go along with that, we have made posters, telling the whole school about litter. We are planning a whole school assembly so we can tell the school about the impact of litter.'

'As part of the Great British Spring Clean (15th-31st March), we are planning a day where children come to school dressed in green. We will be asking for donations so we can buy additional litter pickers. More information will follow next half term.'

'We also went bird watching as part of the RSPB project and we have contacted them to let them know how many birds we saw.'

Bramingham School Council



Family Worker News

We are available to support or sign post families. Please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Did you know that Luton Libraries offer a range of activities for families? Click on the link for more details:

<https://www.lutonlibraries.co.uk/digital-content/activities-/activities-for-children-and-families>

Miss Legg and Mrs Altaf



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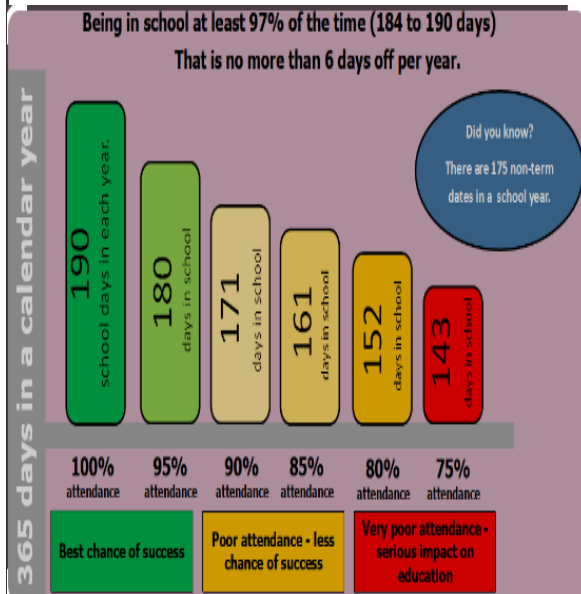
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Attendance



Please do not book any holidays during term time as we will not authorise these.

Top Attendance of the Week

Wk1	Wk2	Wk3	Wk4	Wk5	Wk6
Kestrels	Grey Squirrels	Hedgehogs	Frogs	Swifts	Rabbits

Values

This half term, our values have been Empathy and Care.

Every class voted for their own Values Role Model and these children were announced in our Celebration Assembly.

Values Role Models for Empathy

Values Role Models for January	Year 1	Year 3	Year 5
	Olivia Eden	Olivia Harry	Jack
Empathy	Year 2	Year 4	Year 6
	Daria Amayah	Safaa Ellie	Nevaeh Elliot

Information Evening

On 7th February, we held our Information Evening. In response to the parent feedback, we ran 6 sessions, focusing on Reading, Maths, Writing, Relationships and Health Education, Phonics and A Good Level of Development In Early Years. Thank you to the parents who attended. We are glad that you found the sessions valuable and informative.

We will share the slides and resources from the evening on our website.



If your child is entitled to free school meals, you should have received vouchers for for the half term break. Also, please remember, you can book your child onto the holiday clubs. Miss Legg has sent eligible families a link to this.



Doodle & Reading

Please encourage your child to continue to Doodle. Little and often is best and the children will receive 3 epraise points if they Doodle at least 3 times each week, including the holidays. The same will apply for their reading.




Year 5 School Linking Project

Our Year 5 cohort are involved in a Luton project. Each class is linking with a corresponding Year 5 class. Our partner school is St Martin de Porres, and since September, the children have been getting to know each other. The project aims to develop children's communication and social skills and this half term, the children finally met each other at the Stockwood Discovery Centre. The children worked in groups from both schools. They constructed a carriage from Giant Meccano that could carry a member of the group across the museum. Children also enjoyed looking at the museum's transport collection.



Next half term

The curriculum overviews for next half term are on the website. You will find the plans under the Curriculum tab. We hope that you will enjoy finding out what your child will be learning. Please share the information with your child so that they are prepared for next half term's learning.

- YR R: What Is the World Around Us Like?
- YR 1: Where's Home? 
- YR 2: How have things changed and why?
- YR 3: What are the secrets of the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age?
- YR 4: Why Were The Pyramids Important to the Egyptians?
- YR 5: How Can Space Exploration Help Us?
- YR6: How Vicious Were The Vikings?

School Uniform

Please ensure that your child is in correct school uniform - white shirt/ polo shirt, navy trousers/ skirt, red jumper/ cardigan. Our Family Workers also have pre-loved uniform available. Please contact Mrs Altaf for further information.

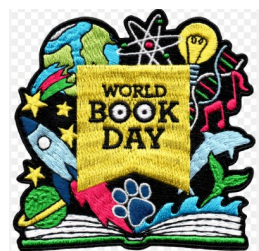
For PE days, children must come in navy joggers/ shorts and red T Shirt and red / blue sweatshirt or school jumper.



World Book Day 7th March 2024

As World Book Day approaches, we are planning a memorable day to celebrate the importance of books and reading. Please take note of the following:

Donate A Book– Do you have any children's books at home that your child no longer reads? If so, and they are in good condition, please donate them to the school. We plan to give every child a pre-loved book for World Book Day. There will be a box in the main reception where you can leave your books.



Come to school in your pyjamas –On World Book Day, children can come to school in their pyjamas, ready for some cosy reading sessions.

Travelling Book Company – The book fayre will be in school in March. We will be selling books before and after school. Mrs Glass will share further information about the dates and times.



Interested in a Teaching Assistant position?

We are currently advertising for a Teaching Assistant position.

If you or you know someone who would be interested, and they meet the job specification, please encourage them to apply. You will find details on the My New Term website.

Work Of Art Year 3—The Iron Man

