

Bromley Hills School Newsletter

Spring Term Week 2
19th January 2024

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MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week has been a very cold week, with temperatures dropping below freezing. The weather forecast for next week looks to be more mild but wet! Please make sure that your child brings in their coat every day, so that they can go out to play.

The Local Authority have asked all schools to share the information about the rise in the number of cases of measles in the Midlands. Please do read this below, and if you have any questions, please come and ask. It is vital that we do everything we can to prevent a rise in the number of cases in school.

Also below is information about the DfE's new campaign, **'Moments Matter, Attendance Counts'**, with regard to ensuring that all children come to school every day. As you know, attendance plays an important role in making sure that children are successful in later life. Therefore, it is vital that all children come to school every day. If you have any concerns about your child's attendance, you can speak to our attendance officer, Emma O'Sullivan. If you would like to speak to her, please ask the school office for an appointment or a phone call.

Have a lovely weekend.

Many thanks, Jon Stevens.

INFORMATION

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MONDAY 29th JANUARY
Y5/6 Health Questionnaire

TUESDAY 30th JANUARY
Y4 Fire Service Visit

FRIDAY 9th FEBRUARY
Mental Health Day

MONDAY 12th – FRIDAY 16th FEB
Half Term

TUESDAY 27th FEBRUARY
Y6 Heights & Weights

TUESDAY 5th & THURSDAY 7th MAR
Parents' Evenings

FRIDAY 8th MARCH
World Book Day

FRIDAY 15th MARCH
Red Nose Day

TUESDAY 19th MARCH
Y3/4 Easter Assembly

PRE-SCHOOL CLOSURE

Tuesday 23rd January

Unfortunately, we are having to close Pre-School for 1 day for essential staff training, which was due to take place on the INSET day but was, unfortunately, cancelled due to the heating failure.

Pre-School will re-open on Wednesday 24th as normal.

MEASLES

Please read the information below regarding an increase in the number of cases of measles in the West Midlands.

Dudley Council Health Protection Team are advising all parents to make sure that all children have the MMR vaccination.

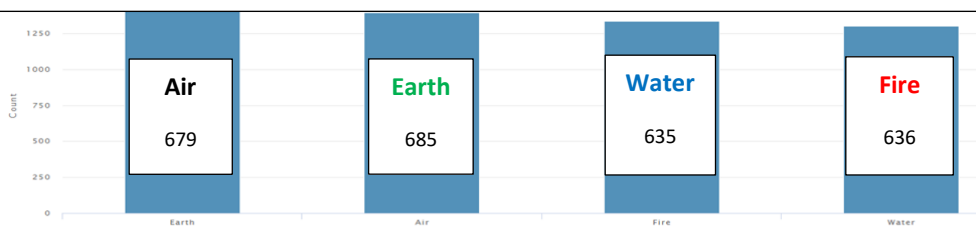
ATTENDANCE AUTUMN WEEK

Class RM – 94%
Class RB – 96%
Class 1B – 92%
Class 1/2Le – 94%
Class 2L – 94%
Class 3/4B – 94%
Class 3/4CS – 96%
Class 3/4F – 92%
Class 5/6B – 97%
Class 5/6K – 95%
Class 5/6N – 95%

Total attendance for this week is: 94%

Well done to classes 5/6B for **97% attendance this week!**




HOUSE POINTS – THIS WEEK'S WINNERS ARE: EARTH



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Don't let your child catch it
– get them vaccinated with the MMR vaccine

The number of young people catching measles has risen. It's never too late to be vaccinated. You need two doses of MMR one month apart to be fully protected against measles, mumps and rubella.

It's time to make measles a disease of the past.

If you have symptoms of measles, stay at home and phone your GP or NHS 111 for advice. **STAY AWAY** from GP surgeries and A&E departments – you could spread the illness to others.

Measles symptoms include: high fever; sore, red, watery eyes; coughing; aching and feeling generally unwell; a blotchy red brown rash, which usually appears after the initial symptoms.



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the safest way to protect your child

For more information contact your local GP surgery or visit: www.nhs.uk/mmr



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Attendance: the top facts to know & share

MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.

The link between attendance and attainment is clear:

- In 2018/19, just **40%** of persistently absent (PA) children in KS2 achieved expected KS2 standards, compared with 84% of pupils who were regular attenders.
- And **36%** of PA children in KS4 got 9 to 4 in their English and maths GCSEs, also compared with 84% of regular attenders.¹

And it's never too late to benefit from good attendance:

- More than half (54%) of pupils who were PA in Year 10 and then rarely absent in Year 11, passed at least 5 GCSEs, compared to 36% of pupils who were persistently absent in both years.²

But attendance is important for more than just attainment:

- Regular school attendance can facilitate positive peer relationships, which is a protective factor for mental health and wellbeing.³

