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MEETING INDIVIDUAL NEEDS... TO THE BEST OF OUR ABILITY



March 2021 Newsletter

Headteachers' Message

This week sees a year since the first lockdown. Who could have predicted the extraordinary year we have all faced? So many people have been affected by the virus and all our lives have been impacted in some way.

Over the course of the year, the children have been remarkable in switching from being in school to remote learning. It was lovely to see the full return of all children on March 8th, but unfortunately, over the last few weeks, we have had a number of bubbles having to isolate.

To support us in reducing the transmission, we encourage families who are not showing symptoms to regularly access a rapid test (see 'Home Test Kits' below). Regular testing of families will help keep the whole community safe and prevent the spread of the virus. We have been informed that testing regularly has helped to identify asymptomatic cases– the latest information is that as many as 1 in 3 people are asymptomatic.

We would like to reassure you that we have tight measures and procedures in place to minimise the transmission in school.

We will continue to review our measures to ensure we do our best to keep our school community safe.

Home Test Kits

A reminder that families are able to collect home testing kits from the community testing sites at Bury Park, Vicarage Street and Hockwell Ring. There is a maximum of 2 boxes per person. Each box contains 7 testing kits.

As of Monday 29th March, home test kits can be collected from the 3 static test sites – Lewsey, Farley and Central Library.

Keeping Us Informed

If your child has a positive Covid test result in the Easter holidays, please inform us by emailing us at:

headteacher@bramingham.net

If your child is showing any signs of illness, please do not send them to school and we strongly encourage your child to take a test.

Tree Planting

During lockdown, we were donated 200 trees by Trees4Luton. Our Year 3 children had the opportunity to plant the trees on the school field.



The children now have the responsibility of watering the trees regularly and caring for them, ensuring they have all they need, to grow.

Parent Consultation

We are planning to hold our parent consultations soon after the Easter break. This will give you an opportunity to discuss your child's progress with the class teacher. More details to follow in the first week back.

School Meals Service

As from the 1st April, our meal service will be provided by Leicestershire Traded Services. The meal service will run in the same way as before. You can view the new menu on our website, under the 'Parent' tab. Any queries, please contact our Business Manager, Mrs Wilson.

Mile track

Over the last few weeks, you may have noticed some work taking place on the school field. We have had a mile track installed on the field for the children to use in PE, for their Wake Up Walks, for play/ lunchtimes and for clubs, when they resume. The children are very excited to use the track and we are planning an official launch so watch this space!

Mr Wyatt has already registered us in the upcoming 'England Does The Daily Mile' event, which is taking place on Friday 30th April. More details to follow next term!



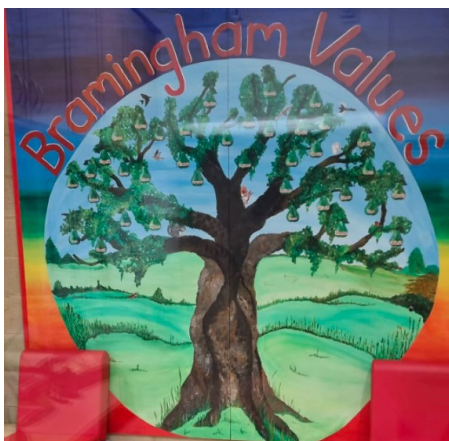
Doodle Easter Challenge!



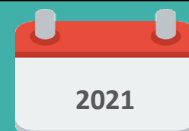
Between the 1st of April and the 30th April, Doodle will be running two Spring Challenges — the DoodleMaths Challenge and the DoodleEnglish Challenge! The Challenge encourages children to use Doodle for a few minutes each day, helping them to rebuild their confidence and stay on track with their learning. Best of all, those who take part can earn a free pin badge and certificate! To take part, from the **1st of April**, visit parents.doodlemaths.com and press **Register** next to your child's name. Then, encourage your child to **earn 450 stars** (or **350 stars** if they were born on or after 01/09/13) and **achieve a 7-day streak** in DoodleMaths and/or DoodleEnglish. Once they've reached their target, you'll be able to claim their reward by logging on to the Dashboard and pressing **Claim reward**.

Display of our Bramingham Values

In September, we launched our Values based Education. Each fortnight, the children focus on a particular value that is important to the school. In our foyer, Mrs Devey and Mrs Hughes have been working on our Values display which highlights all the Values in our two year cycle.



Dates for Diaries



28th and 29th April: Early Years Vision Screening
30th April: England Does The Daily Mile Event
20th May: School photographer

Reminders for the new term

Please ensure your child wears their PE kit to school on PE days.

Please book Breakfast and Afterschool club prior to returning to school.

Reading Programme

As part of our reading programme, each child will receive either a phonics workbook or a reading comprehension workbook to help practise their reading skills. Mrs Glass, our reading co-ordinator, will write to you with more details on how you can support your child with their reading.

We will be continuing with our text and email system to send out information, so please ensure your details are up to date with the office. We also add any letters to the school website. Please remember to email your child's class teacher if you need to speak to them.

Thank you for your continued support. We wish you all a lovely, restful and healthy Easter! Please remember to follow the government guidelines in keeping yourselves and others safe. We look forward to seeing you all in the summer term.