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Newsletter

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Headteacher's notes...

We finished our Come to Learn sessions this week. I hope that you have found them informative and given you an insight into what lessons are like. The feedback we have received has been very positive and we will look to run them again.

Congratulations to those children who received Commendation Certificates in Assembly today. We are keen to recognise positive attitudes to learning, good behaviour, courtesy, consideration and responsibility in children and these certificates are one way of doing this. We also of course have 'Star of the Week' Certificates, which are awarded weekly in assemblies, and stickers or house points which are awarded in class.

Year 1 enjoyed their visit to Hamerton Zoo yesterday and we have once again had some sporting success with our football teams – well done to all those who took part.

Next week children from Year 4 are at Grafham for their residential. We hope that they have some good weather and an enjoyable time. 1 Beech have their Assembly on Wednesday morning. We finish for the Easter break on **Thursday 29th March.**

Thank you for all your messages of support following the incident on Monday. I would like to assure you that as soon as the school received the email we were in constant communication with both the Police and the Local Authority who were best placed to give advice to schools. The advice we received complemented our own Critical Incidents Plan which we implemented and at all times the safety and welfare of both the children and staff was our priority. Since Monday we have reviewed our actions both within school but also with Governors, in light of our experiences we shall be undertaking a post incident review to identify any areas in which we can update our plans.

Year 6 SATs Meeting

The presentation and notes from this week's meeting are available on the school website. Please go to the Class Pages and Year 6.

Following their practice SATs, the children will be coming home with SATs revision papers this Friday, which are to be completed and returned on **Tuesday 17th April.** The papers the children have done will be analysed over the Easter Holidays in order to better target our revision programme.

To assist your child(ren) prepare and be confident in:

Maths - encouraging your child to revise key areas such as: Times tables; Fractions, Decimal and Percentage equivalents; Place Value and using RUCSAC to answer Word problems would be beneficial.

Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling: There are many revision guides available (CGP, Rising Stars, Collins) in addition to many helpful websites. Please ensure that they are recently published and cover the New Curriculum Objectives. Reading: Collins KS2 English Reading - SATs Question Book, is a good revision guide to use, as well as Rising Stars. Many of these can be found and ordered online.

We have also made available a 'Maths Survival Pack' on the Year 6 Class Page on the website.

Mad as a Hatter in March - Reading Marathon Reminder

Please could you ensure your child brings their sponsorship form, and monies raised, in on **Monday 26th March**, together with their tracking sheet so that we can find out who have been our Superstar Readers!

Thanking you in advance for your support!

Sports News

Dickinson Cup: The Year 6 football team made it through to the next round of the cup by beating Godmanchester in a crossbar hitting game. Thanks to the parents for their continued support and Mrs Parker for cleaning the kit again.

Girls' Cup: The girls' football team made a valiant effort against Crosshall in the cup. It was a tough game with lots of hustle and bustle and unfortunately Crosshall came out winners. Thank you to all the parents for transporting the children to the match, supporting them and cleaning the kit. The girls will have a five a side competition on **Wednesday 25th April** at St Neots Town FC from **12.30pm**.

There will be no cross country next **Thursday 29th** after school. The last training for team selection will take place on **Thursday 19th April** after school. Everyone who signed up should come along. The Cross Country race is on **Thursday 26th April** at Priory Park from **4.30pm**.

Dogs

We have noticed that there are an increasing number of dogs who are being tied on to the fence at the front of school at the start and end of the day. There have also been comments from parents who are concerned because children are either frightened of the dogs or are tempted to pat them and say hello which we would never advise unless the owner is present. Please could we request that dogs are tied to the posts on the Green which will mean that everyone can use the path safely and without being worried. Thank you.

KEY STAGE 2 SCHOOL MEAL COSTS – SUMMER 2018

The price of school meals for pupils in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 is £2.30 per day. Costs for the Summer Term 2018 are as follows:

Weekly	5 days at £2.30	£11.50
First half term	28 days at £2.30	£64.40
Second half term	35 days at £2.30	£80.50
Whole term	63 days at £2.30	£144.90

All school dinners should be paid for in advance via the school's e-payment system, Sims Agora.

If you do not have access to a computer or prefer to pay in cash, please request a barcoded letter which can be used at local stores such as Brampton Co-op or the Post Office.

If you require an online account activation letter or wish to order a barcoded letter, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

If you are intending to change your child's eating arrangements during the term, please confirm in writing via letter or email to the office giving one week's notice.

PTA News

MOVIE NIGHT- Don't forget this is this afternoon. Have your tickets ready and we hope all the children enjoy the film. We may still need some help on the day so if you are there and you can help, please let one of us know. All help is greatly received.

BAGS TO SCHOOL - These will be going out in book bags before the school term finishes. So if you fancy a de-clutter at home over the Easter holiday, fill a bag or two. Details of collection will follow.

SUMMER FETE - Again we are starting to think about the summer fete so if you know anyone that would like a stall or can help in any other way, please do not hesitate to contact us on bramptonpta@outlook.com.

NEXT MEETING – 17th April, 7.30pm

If you are able to help or have any comments or feedback or would like further information about the PTA please contact bramptonpta@outlook.com

For those of you that are new to Brampton Village Primary School the PTA raises funds for the school to help with the cost of items the school may need. We are always looking for help to run events smoothly and would appreciate any time that you can give even if it is only for half an hour.

PTA Team

Community

Brampton Church Hall - Messy Easter - Good Friday - 11.00am - 12.30pm

Family Easter event. Come and make Easter craft and hear the Easter story. There will be food afterwards too!

Farmland Museum & Denny Abbey

Please see the school website for details on planned activities during the Easter holidays and May bank holiday.

Brampton Befrienders and Brampton Village Primary School

To the great delight of all those attending the Befrienders' Drop In on 16th March, the Year 4 classes from Brampton Village Primary School arrived to entertain everyone with their beautiful singing and skilful playing of hand chimes, glockenspiels and drum. Their music and songs, with actions, were all based on a London theme which meant there was much toe tapping, clapping and singing along. We are very grateful to Katie, the music teacher, the class teachers and the assistants who all made it possible for the youthful and the more mature of us to have such a good time together!

Anyone with some time on a Friday morning is very welcome to join us for coffee, cake and chat between 10am and 12 noon in The Community Centre. We are looking forward to being entertained again by musicians and singers from BVPS at the Musical Tea to support Christian Aid on Sunday May 20th between 3 and 5pm in Brampton's Parish Church. There will be lots of delicious cake and biscuits and lots of fun so please put the date on your calendar.

What's On Next Week:

Monday 26 th March	Y3/4 Handchimes – lunchtime Art Club
Wednesday 28 th March	1B Assembly 9.15am KS1 Hall Dance Club
Thursday 29 th March	Last day of term Choir Y5/6 Handchimes - lunchtime Drama Club

Summer term 2018

Monday 16th April	Professional Day
Tuesday 17th April	Children return
Monday 7th May	May Day Bank Holiday
28th May – 1st June	Half Term
Friday 20th July	Children finish
Monday 23rd July	Professional Day
Tuesday 24th July	Professional Day