



Being the best we can be

Bramble's News



26th February 2021

Message from Mrs Gynn

Welcome back after the half term break.

Our week has started with the welcome news that schools will re-open fully on **Monday 8th March**. I have prepared a return back to school document for you to tell you everything you need to know. I hope it will answer all of your questions.

School will look very much the same as it did in September, with the children and staff grouped into bubbles. Some of the restrictions that we are now used to will also remain; no parents allowed into the building, no shared assemblies and the expectation that face masks are worn. The first section of the return back to school document details all of the prevention systems we are putting in place, with your support. If we all continue to follow the guidance, we will soon move to the end goal of life returning back to normal.

If you would like to read more about the government's road map to recovery, please use the following link:

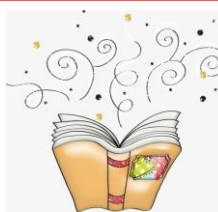


<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-response-spring-2021/covid-19-response-spring-2021>



It has been a lovely welcome back this week, with bright sunshine and smiling faces. Children have settled in and worked on the challenges they have been set. I hope you enjoy reading about our reasons to celebrate this week.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.



The magic of book week is next week. We hope you can enjoy wonderful moments at home and share the wonders of book week with us. We are going to be making books our focus and have lots of exciting activities planned. You could try 'book bingo', or play charades with book titles - look out for the videos of teachers doing just that during the week! Mrs Finch posted a reading newsletter earlier this week with all of the details, take a look and give something a try.

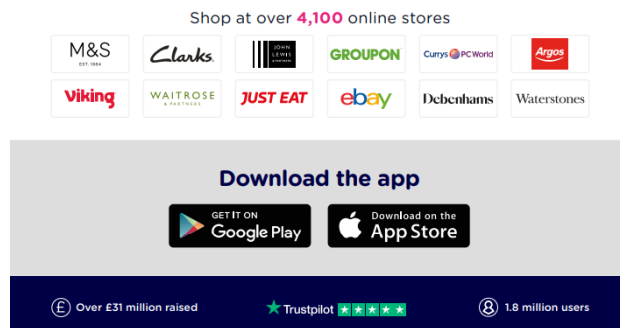


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Certificates have been awarded to:

Let's Investigate

Fantastic maths or science work

Mason A - in school and Sienna - at home

Express yourself

Amazing art or P.E

Dominic - in school

World of Words

Great reading, writing, speaking and listening or drama work

Harry C, Thea, Hope - at home and Radu - in school

Being Your Best

Always trying your best in everything that you do

Vlad - in School and Freddy A at home

Wow!

I tried my best and created or did

Maximilian - in school

Handwriting Award

went to:

Eric



We celebrated with:



Oliver and Nova are now 4

Kelly, Beatrice, Maria C, Phoebe and Grayson are now 5

Harley and Connie are now 6

Happy Birthday to you all!

Remote Learning Champions!

The most engaged class this week is:

Dandelions

Well done everyone!



Well done to the children and parents too ☺

Look at how amazing our school was



last week:

2,249 stories

1,908 skills celebrated

21 messages shared

99% positive feedback



Our value for February is:

Independence

- Initiative



Values:

Inclusion

Integrity

Initiative

Inspiring

Involvement

Reminders & Notices...



The search is on for those of you who have an interest in healthcare and improving these services for the good of the whole community.

This is a great chance for those passionate and committed Northamptonshire residents to step forward and make a difference for their community by representing their voice on our Trust's Council of Governors.

We are hosting three Becoming a Governor sessions so you can find out more about the election process and the role of a Governor. The first is being held today Monday 15 February at 5:30pm - [Click here to join the meeting](#)

The second will be held next Monday 22 February at 5:30pm - [please fill in this online form to get the join link sent to you.](#)

The third will be held on Monday 1 March at 5:30pm - [please fill in this online form to get the join link sent to you.](#)

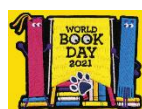
We hope to see you there,
NHFT Foundation Trust Team

Visit www.nhft.nhs.uk/elections to find out more about being a Governor

The deadline for nominations is 5:00pm on Thursday 4 March 2021 and you can self-nominate via www.cesvotes.com/NHFT2021.

NHFT positively encourages nominations from under-represented groups such as people from BAME communities, people with disabilities, LGBTQ+ people and young people.

What's Coming Up?



1.3.21 - Book week: A week of reading fun!

8.3.21 - All children return to school



8.3.21 - Brambles breakfast and after-school club reopens



26.3.21 - Break up for Easter half term



12.4.21 - Teacher training day

13.4.21 - Children return to school

14.4.21 and 15.4.21 - Parents evening (phone calls)

