



Bramble's News



Being the best we can be

21st October 2022

A message from Mrs Gynn

I cannot believe it is the end of term already. So much has happened. Most importantly of all the children are now very settled into their new classes and showing some great learning characteristics.



Look at the busy writing from our children in Reception. They have already learnt so many sounds and can use them in writing too. ☺



Children in Poppy class are already showing so much independence - today they have been chopping vegetables all by themselves!



In year 2, children have been exploring 'shades' and 'tones' in art. Some very careful studies have been produced.



Children in year 1 are busy as soon as they arrive in the morning. Their reading is developing so well.

The staff and children make the most of every minute in school. Please let's work together to ensure that children are in school on time and attending every day, so that they can make the most of all that is planned for them.

I hope all of the staff and children have a well-earned rest over the half term break.

Enjoy your family time. I look forward to seeing you all on Monday 31st October, ready for it all to start again!



to everyone who came to see our Harvest Festival this week. It really was wonderful to see the hall so full.

Thank you too for your generosity. Our harvest table was full of delicious treats. They have all been delivered to the food bank and the community larder, who were so grateful.



Our week has finished in the best possible way - with crazy hair day. There were certainly lots of crazy styles! It made us all laugh lots ☺

Thank you for your contributions to the Friends too. We managed to raise over £120.



Open events

If you have a child who is due to start school in September 2023. Please telephone school to make an appointment to view the school. We are happy to show people our lovely school at any time.

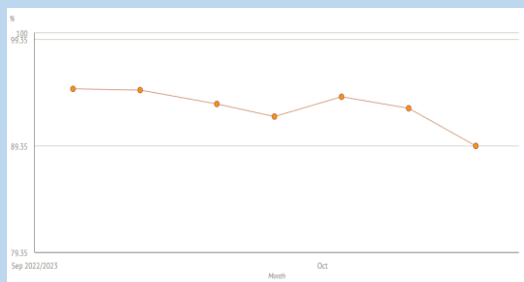
If you have a child who is due to be turning 3 years old and needs a Pre-School place, please do come along and visit too.

Everyone is welcome.

Attendance Matters



This graph shows our current picture of attendance.





Our attendance picture is not a good one.

As you can see from the graph above, attendance falling week on week.

Our Overall attendance percentage is now 89.3% (-3% on the previous week).

Overall attendance weekly figures					
Year Group	R	1	2	Overall	Weekly change
Term 1					
Wk 1					
wk2	89.8	94.9	93.2	91.3	↓ 1
wk3	94.9	92.5	96.6	90.9	↓ -0.4
wk 4	93.2	94.9	91.5	93	↑ 2.1
wk 5	93.2	92.1	96.6	94.2	↑ 1.2
wk 6	91.5	94.9	91.7	92.4	↓ -1.8
wk 7	84.4	87.2	88.3	88.5	↓ -3.9

100%	0 days missed	Fantastic attendance!	
99%	2 days missed	Well done—you are at or above the School Target	
98%	4 days missed		
97%	6 days missed		
96%	8 days missed	At 96% and below you are just below target—make sure you do not miss any more days	
95%	10 days missed		
94%	12 days missed		
93%	14 days missed	At 93% and below your attendance is becoming worryingly low.	
92%	16 days missed		
91%	18 days missed		
90%	19 days missed	At 90% and below you are Persistently Absent—school will support you and your family to help this improve	
89%	21 days missed		
88%	23 days missed		
87%	25 days missed		
86%	27 days missed		
85%	29 days missed		

The details of each year group show that all year groups are in red. This is because every year group is below our expected target of 96%. In some year groups, the figure is well below.

Use this grid to help you understand attendance:

We have had **35 days** in school this term.

In Reception, up to 29 days have been lost.

In year 1, up to 25 days have been lost.

In year 2, up to 23 days have been lost.

Please do your best to send your children to school every day. Every minute, every day counts.

What will be happening in our school?

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Year 2 parents - please see the details of
Open events at The Abbey Junior Academy

Thurs 3rd Nov, 9.30 - 11.30 a.m.

Mon 7th Nov, 1.30 - 3.00 p.m.

Please let your class teacher know if you
would like to attend any of these.

Parents of Year 2
children

Please remember
that you need to
apply for a year 3
school place on the
County website

www.westnorthants.gov.uk/admissions

Other Dates:

The library will be open every Wednesday, every week.

Do come in between 8.45 a.m. - 9.00 a.m. to choose a book for your child. Mrs Finch will be in the library to help you. Just like the town library, you can loan the book for a week and then come back and swap it.

21.10.22 - Term 1 ends. Children break up for a week's holiday.



31.10.22 - Term 2 starts

1.11.22 at 3.30 - 5.30 p.m. & 3.11.22 at 5.30 - 7.00 p.m. -
Parent's Evening via telephone

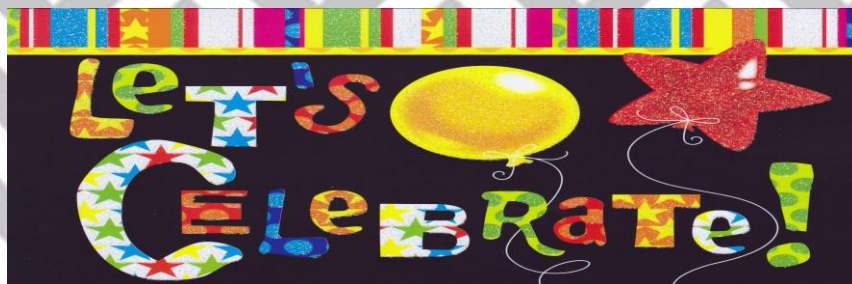
Please ensure that you have booked an appointment with your child's
class teacher before we break up.

4.11.22 at 2.00. - 3.15 p.m. - Parents' Open Afternoon - Please drop in
to visit your child's class. Your child will have the chance to show you all of
their work this term.

11.11.22 - Remembrance Day

14.11.22 - Nursery Rhyme week

14.11.22 - Road Safety Week and Anti Bullying Week



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Certificates have been awarded to:

Let's Investigate

World of Words

Express Yourself

Exploring the World

Being Your Best

Wow!

Fantastic maths or science work
Great reading, writing, speaking and listening or drama work

Wonderful art, design technology, music or P.E. work

Super history, geography or religious education work

David in Sunflower class
Matilda in Snowdrop Class

Abigail in Buttercup Class

Regan in Daisy Class

Paula in Dandelion Class
Riley in Bluebell Class



Attendance Cup

Buttercup Class - 94%
Well done!

Our value for October is:



Fairness -
Involvement



Values:

Inclusion

Integrity

Initiative

Inspiring



We celebrated with:

Nel, who is now 4 years old!

Logan, who is now 5 years old!

Happy Birthday to you all!



We also celebrate with:



Star reader is:
Ezra



Bramble's Rule ☺

Alla, Cruz, Stanley, Charlie,
Maria, Chisom, Braylon, Jacob W,
Crystal, Nikolay, Areen, Hannah

For the first week back;

Children who treat people with
kindness



Look at how amazing
our school was last
week:



160 messages

132 stories shared

1887 skills celebrated

100% positive feedback

