



Being the best we can  
be

# Bramble's

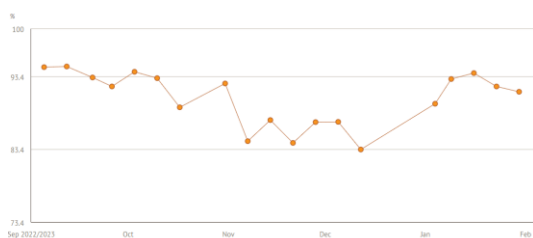
## News

3<sup>rd</sup> February 2023



### A message from Mrs Gynn

#### Attendance



Attendance continues to be at the forefront of my thoughts this week. I make no apologies for continuing to highlight it in the newsletter because for the 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive week, our attendance has fallen. It is now at 91% for the whole school. This is -5% off our target. None of us can forget how important being in school every day is.

Unfortunately, there has been a lot of illness in Poppy class this week, but other classes have worked hard to be in school every day. Thank you to all parents who are ensuring their children are in school when they are fit and well. Thank you too, to everyone who is working to ensure that their children are in school on time. It means that they are not missing any learning.

Please do your best to keep on sending your children to school and continue to get them to school on time. This figure will then rise.

The **pantomime** came to school yesterday.



I hope the children have told you all about it. It was a wonderful afternoon, with all children so excited and so engrossed too. Our very youngest children in Poppies were singing and dancing along too. ☺



**Art day** Lots of fun on Wednesday exploring collage - so many creative ideas. The children also worked in their sketch books demonstrating super observational drawing skills. ☺



Poppy Class have been busy baking this week. Lots of mixing and stirring and then finally - the taste test! ☺



yummy!

I hope you have a lovely weekend and look forward to seeing you on Monday. ☺

# Reminders...

## Homework Splats

These have been posted on Class Dojo this week.

Deadline is w.b.25<sup>th</sup> March in Reception /  
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March in Year 1 /  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March in Year 2

Children can bring in any finished projects  
at any time throughout the term.

## Jewellery

Our uniform policy states that jewellery  
should not be worn in school. This  
includes crucifix necklaces.

This is a health and safety policy.

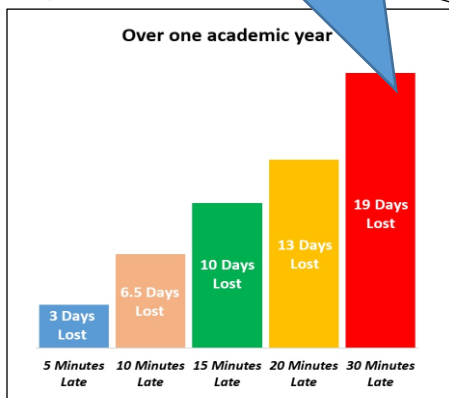
Please remove items of jewellery  
before the children come to school.

## School uniform

School uniform should be worn every day,  
except for PE days. PE kits should be school  
colours only.

Please do your best to send your children to  
school in the correct clothing.

Thank you to all parents who have  
already worked with their children.  
Wonderful work is being shared.



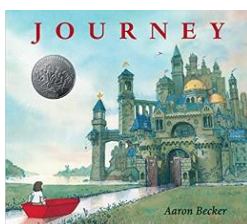
**Being on time, sets up the day for  
success.**

Take a look at the graph opposite to see how much time  
your child may have lost already this year.

It is surprising how quickly it mounts up.

Thank you - there  
is a big  
improvement in  
uniform.

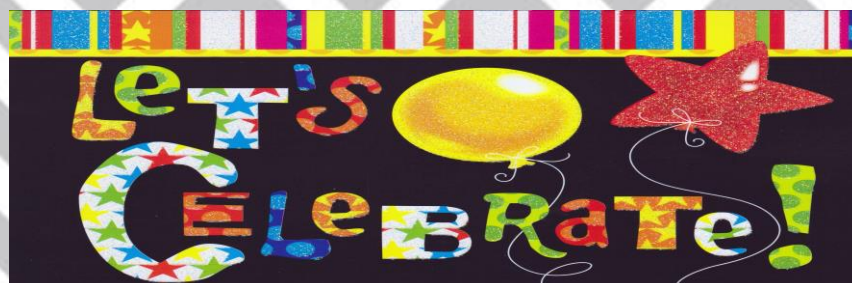
## This week's book recommendation:



Aaron Becker has produced a trilogy of books - all without words.  
This book is all about a little girl who draws a magic door on her  
bedroom wall. When she goes through it, she escapes to a world full  
of wonder, adventure and danger.

Our value for this week is independence. This story is all about  
demonstrating courage and resilience - both of which help us all to  
be independent. I hope you enjoy it. 🌟





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## Certificates have been awarded to:

**World of Words**

Great reading, writing, speaking and listening or drama work

**Oscar in Snowdrop Class and Aiden in Buttercup Class**

**Let's Investigate**

Fantastic maths or science work

**Hristo in Dandelion Class**

**Express Yourself**

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

**Oviana in Bluebell Class**

**Exploring the World**

Super history, geography or religious education work

**Logan in Sunflower Class**

**Being your best**

**Wow!**

**Emma in Daisy Class**

**Our value for February is:**



**Independence - initiative**



Values:

Inclusion

Integrity

Initiative

Inspiring



We celebrated with:

**Jack, who is now 4!**

**Jacob, Laura, and Lucy, who are now 5!**

**Happy Birthday to you all!**



**Attendance cup awarded to:**



**Sunflower Class -**

**for the first time. Well done!**



**Handwriting Award**



**Star Readers**

**Libby - who has 100 reads!**

**Arabella and Lacy - who has 50 reads!**

**A wonderful achievement - well done!**



# What will be happening in our school?

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## Bramble's Rule

Apiffany-Leigh, Araiya-Jae,  
Beatrice, Braylon, Elijah,  
Jude, Maria, Muyo, Oscar,  
Paula, Remi, Scarlett,



Look at how  
amazing our school  
was last week:

2,405 skills celebrated

121 stories

117 messages



Lots of children received 5 Dojo points this week, having been in school every day. Dojo points will continue to be issued this week. 😊

## w.b.6.3.23 - Children's Mental Health Awareness Week

This year's theme is - anxiety. We shall be looking at how to reduce anxiety during our online safety day.

## 7.3.23 - Online Safety Day

## 9.2.23 - Buttercups' class assembly

## 10.2.23 - Exhibition of home learning - parents welcome to pop in and take a look.

## Term 3 finishes



SCHOOL HOLIDAY

## 20.2.23 - Training Day

## 21.2.23 - Term 4 begins / Pancake Day

## 23.2.23 - Sports Super Hero Festival

## 24.2.23 - Crazy Hat Day - please wear something strange!

## w.b. 27.2.23 - Reading Week - (2.3.22 - World Book Day)

An event for your diary  
Curriculum Drop-in sessions  
this term:  
Focus = Phonics  
Reception parents are  
invited to join us for the  
next sessions



## Friends of St James Events - Spring term

### Mufti Day's St James Infant & Pre-School 2023

- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February Mufti- Crazy Hat Day



- Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March Mufti -We will be asking for chocolate for the Easter Fayre Tombola instead of the £1

- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April Mufti -Stars, Spots, & Stripes Day



- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May Mufti - its Pyjamarama day



- Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June Mufti Day - We ask for a bottle for the Summer Fate Tombola instead of £1

- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July - A single colour Day (students to wear red, white, pink, blue or green from head to toe)

