



Being the best we can
be

Bramble's News



21st April 2023

A message from Mrs Gynn

Welcome back to term 5 of this school year. In just the first few days, so much has happened.

I hope all parents of children in Poppy class and Year 2 have now been notified about their child's place for next year. We are busy planning the transition arrangements so that all children are prepared and settled for the next step of their learning journey. If you have any questions, please do speak to staff.

Chicks have hatched in Reception! - We now have 10 new, noisy members of the classes! I am sure your children will have lots to tell you about them.

Our school council are continuing to raise the importance of taking care of our environment. They completed a litter pick this week. Thank you to all of them.

So many children wore their football shirts on Friday helping to raise awareness of illness and how important it is to look after yourselves.



This term's curriculum newsletter and re-edited Knowledge Organiser (it is now on one page, rather than separate pages for each subject), should be posted on Class Dojo next week. Please do look out for them. I hope they will provide you with a clear understanding of what your children will be learning throughout this term. Please also look out for the 'homework splats' which provide a variety of suggestions as to how you can be involved in your child's learning.

Arrangements for upcoming industrial action

Teachers' union have announced two further dates for strikes. These dates are:

Thursday 27th April and

Tuesday 2nd May

At the moment, I can confirm that school will be open as usual on both of these days. However, I do need to alert you to the fact that this is at risk of change if there is any staff absence on either of these days.



Online safety tip 5:

Turn off chat functions on games

consoles - This will stop your child from talking to people they do not know.



Safeguarding tip 5:

Parenting tip: Stop - breathe - react calmly. Take 5.



Reading fact 5:

Did you know that reading can reduce stress by up to 68%? Please read regularly with your child; at least 3 times per week.

I hope you have a lovely weekend. See you on Monday.☺

Reminders...

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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. Too many children are not following the school uniform expectations. They apply to all classes.



We have an adult library in the entrance area of school.

Please do come on in and help yourself to a book.

When you have finished it, please return and swap for another.

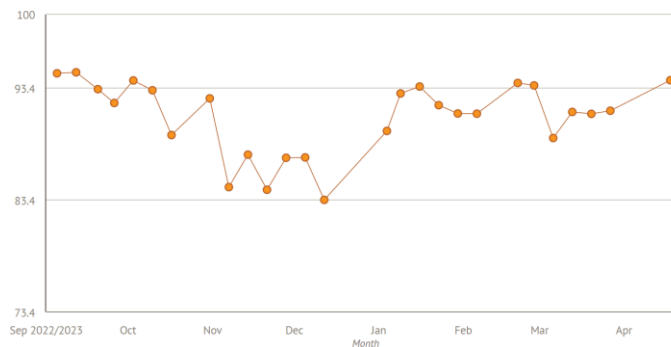
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A polite reminder - all play equipment in the playground should not be used before or after school.

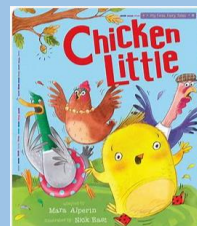
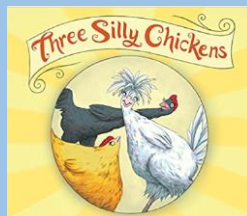
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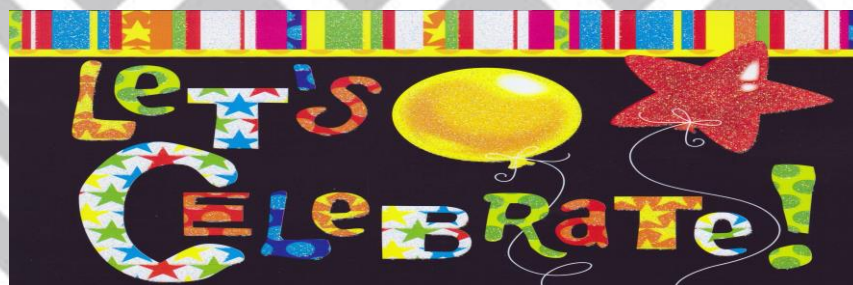
Congratulations everyone - our attendance figure continues to rise.

I hope that this will now be the direction for this term

This week's book recommendation:



Two book recommendations inspired by our visiting chicks that we currently have in school. 'Three Silly Chickens' will be an amusing read for some of our older readers. Our younger readers will love 'Chicken Little'.



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Certificates have been awarded to:

World of Words

Great reading, writing, speaking and listening or drama work

Jacob - Buttercup Class

Let's Investigate

Fantastic maths or science work

Nikolay - Sunflower Class

Express Yourself

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

Aibin - Snowdrop Class

Exploring the World

Super history, geography or religious education work

Archie - in Dandelion Class

Being your best

Oliver - in Bluebell Class

Wow!

Ilinca - in Daisy Class



We celebrated with:

Deea, who are now 4!

Dominic, John, Olivia M, who are now 5!

Alesia, Charlie, Chloe, Hanna, Tomasz, Grithika, who is now 6!

Leo, Radu, who are now 7!

Happy Birthday to you!



Handwriting Award

Braylon - Daisy Class 😊



Attendance Award

Buttercup Class - 100% - well done

Our value for April is:



Fairness - Inclusion



Values:

Inclusion

Integrity

Initiative

Inspiring



Star Readers

Nathan in Poppy Class - who has 50 reads! Wow!

Arthur - who has 100 reads!

A wonderful achievement - well done!

Gabriel - star reader in school

What will be happening in our school?

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

19.4.23 - School photographs - no uniform

24.4.23 - Year R wow experience day for their new theme -
Colour Day

25.4.23 - Year 2 wow experience day for their new theme -
Great Fire of London Day

28.4.23 - Mufti Day -

Children are invited to wear stars, stripes or spots and to bring in a donation for the Friends

1.5.23 - Bank holiday - No school

3.5.23 - World Maths Day

May - SATs period for year 2

Please ensure your children are in school each day

26.5.23 - End of term 5 - break up for a week's break



Friends of St James Events - Summer term



5p bottle challenge

Will be starting after Easter.

Please collect as many 5 pences as you can.

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

- Friday 26th May Mufti - its Pyjamarama day
- Friday 30th June Mufti Day - We ask for a bottle for the Summer Fate Tombola instead of £1
- Thursday 20th July - A single colour Day (students to wear red, white, pink, blue or green from head to toe)

