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NEWSLETTER

Spring Term 2024

Letter 1

5th January 2024

Headteacher's notes...

Happy New Year and welcome back! I hope that you all had a good Christmas and are looking forward to the term ahead. We welcome any new children and families who have joined us.



It has been good to see the children return with so much enthusiasm and as always there are many things to look forward to – please make sure that you look at the diary dates at the end of this letter. It is always at this time of year that many people make resolutions, and we thought about this in Assembly this morning. For our school these could be:

- *Trying our best in everything*
- *Helping each other*
- *Listening to each other*
- *Showing respect to our environment and one another*

What others can you come up?

As always at the start of a term there are a number of reminders included in this Newsletter, along with other useful information.

Unfortunately, before Christmas and over the holidays there was some vandalism to school property. If you become aware of anything, please let us know and if you see anything suspicious at weekends, please inform the Police.

Applications for Reception 2024

The deadline for applications for a place in Reception in September 2024 is 15th January.

2024-2025 Term Dates

The dates for the next academic year will be finalised shortly and will be published once they have been agreed by Governors.

What's On Next Week

Monday 8th January

Tuesday 9th January HSSP Yr1 & 2 Multisports 3:10 – 4:10pm
NFL Yr6 Mixed 3:30 – 4:20pm

Wednesday 10th January

Thursday 11th January HSSP Girls Football Yr3 -6 3:20 – 4:20pm
Boys Yr6 Football 3:30 – 4:20pm

Friday 12th January

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Please note that events are subject to change depending upon circumstances.

January	16 th	Curriculum Letters Home	
	23 rd	Governing Body meeting	6.30pm
	25 th	PTA meeting	
February	5 th	Children's Mental Health Week	
	6 th	PTA Disco (<i>details to be confirmed</i>)	
	7 th	Open Afternoon	After school until 4.00pm
	8 th	PTA Disco (<i>details to be confirmed</i>)	
	13 th	Parent Consultations (online)	3.30pm – 7.00pm
	14 th	Y3 History off the Page Roman Day Parent Consultations (online)	3.30pm – 7.00pm
	15 th	Parent Consultations (online)	3.30pm – 6.00pm
	19 th – 23 rd	Half Term	
March	27 th	Scholastic Book Fair in school	
	7 th	World Book Day	
	8 th	PTA Cake Friday	
	12 th	Y2 Medieval Castle Day	
	13 th	Governing Body meeting	6.30pm
	22 nd	Y5 History Off The Page	
	28 th	Last day of term	

Summer Term 2024

Monday 15 th April	Training Day
Tuesday 16 th April	Training Day
Wednesday 17 th April	Children return
Monday 27 th - Friday 31 st May	Half Term
Monday 3 rd June	Children return
Friday 19 th July	Children's last day
Monday 22 nd July	Training Day

Useful Information and Reminders

Uniform

Uniform:

- Sweatshirts – navy (with or without logo)
- Polo shirts - white or navy
- Trousers / shorts - grey, black or navy (trousers may be worn by boys and girls but no leggings)
- Skirts / pinafores - grey, black or navy
- Socks / tights - white, grey or black
- Summer Dress - navy and white checked, or striped, summer dresses
- Footwear should be sensible - black, flat shoes (high heels, boots or boot style trainers are not permitted)
- **No jewellery** or make up except for watches and stud earrings.

The children should wear their PE kits to school on PE days and on all other days are to wear school uniform Please be prepared for all weathers.

PE kits:

- white /blue round-necked T-shirt (football tops must not be worn)
- blue/black shorts
- for outdoors school sweatshirts (**no hoodies**) and dark blue/black jogging trousers should be worn
- pierced earrings must be removed for PE and long hair must be tied back for PE and games

Please remember:

- All clothes should be clearly labelled with your child's name.

Raising Concerns	<p>There may be occasions when there may be concerns about something that has happened in school so please contact us as soon as possible so that we can address any issues. Contacting staff is best done through emailing the school office (office@brampton.cambs.sch.uk) or phoning 01480 375063 as any messages will be passed on. It is important that any concerns are raised in an appropriate manner treating the school staff with the same courtesy and respect that they will give to you.</p> <p>Please do not come into the classrooms, especially at the start of the day, as staff will not be able to speak with you at this point. If there is an urgent message please let staff in the school office know.</p>																
Lunches	<p>We continue to offer a full hot menu and the children can also bring in packed lunches. Lunches should be ordered in advance if at all possible through Reach More Parents.</p>																
Contact Details	<p>Please remember to let the school know of any changes in contact details as soon as possible. They are updated on our system as soon as we receive them and it is important in case we have to contact you in an emergency.</p>																
Sickness/Diarrhoea	<p>Children must be kept off school for 48 hours after the last episode of sickness or diarrhoea. We do enforce this policy in order to keep everyone as healthy as possible.</p>																
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Absence	<p>Please contact the school office by either telephone (01480 375063) or email (pupilabsence@brampton.cambs.sch.uk) before 9.15am on each day of your child's absence. Alternatively please use the Weduc Reach More Parents app to report your child's absence.</p>																
Attendance	<p>We will continue to work with families regarding any attendance concerns and please talk to us if you have questions. Usual rules on school attendance apply, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Parents' duty to ensure that their child attends regularly at school. - Schools' responsibility to record attendance and follow up absence. - The availability to issue sanctions, including fixed penalty notices in line with local authorities' codes of conduct. This will be reviewed regularly by Governors. <p>All requests for term time leave will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances and must be submitted in advance using the appropriate form. This is available from the school office or the website.</p> <p>Attendance/lateness is monitored regularly and we will write to families where there are concerns.</p>																
Lost Property	<p>We do not store lost property so please make sure that all belongings are named so that they can be returned to their owner. Items that do not have any name will only be kept for a very short period before being passed onto the PTA or disposed of.</p>																
Parking and Transport	<p>The car parks are for members of staff and visitors and must not to be used for dropping off or collecting children. Please do not walk or cycle through the car parks when dropping off/collecting children.</p> <p>Please park with consideration for the children, other road users and local residents. Parking remains an issue but we need everyone to be patient and to be prepared to walk a little further. We encourage biking, scootering and walking to school and helmets should be worn. Bikes and scooters must not be ridden on the premises.</p>																
Dogs	<p>Dogs must not be brought onto the premises unless prior permission has been sought.</p>																
Drinks and Snacks	<p>Most children require a snack at morning break to keep them going through the day. Children in Reception and Key Stage 1 are provided with a snack at morning break so they do not need to bring anything in. Children in Key Stage 2 should bring in a healthy snack – this means no crisps, sweets biscuits or chocolate.</p> <p>Any snack must be nut free. We have a number of children in school with nut allergies. Please avoid sending nuts into school as a snack in their packed lunches.</p>																

	<p>We need the children to stay hydrated and so please ensure they bring a named water bottle into school daily. Squash and fruit juice <i>are not</i> permitted.</p>
Medicines	<p>School staff cannot normally administer medicines. In the case of conditions such as asthma, diabetes, heart condition, eczema etc, please contact the school and special arrangements will be made. It is the responsibility of parents to ensure that any medication is within its expiry date.</p> <p>Doctors are advised by School Health to prescribe antibiotics which require only three doses a day and so do not require children to take them in school. If, however, a dose is needed during the day, parents will need to make arrangements to come into school to administer the medicine. If this is not possible, parents should complete and sign a medical consent form (available to download from the school website or in hard copy from the school office).</p> <p>Medicine should be handed to a member of school staff in the container in which it was dispensed so that storage and dosage instructions can be checked. A medicine spoon should also be provided. Medication will be administered only in accordance with the prescription label. Only prescribed medication can be administered by school staff, and other than asthma inhalers, medicine will not be handed over to the pupils during or at the end of the school day. Staff cannot take responsibility for any missed doses.</p> <p>Children should not bring in any medication in their bags, eg, lip balm, cough sweets, etc.</p>