

10th October

Weekly Newsletter



Senior Leadership Message -

We've had a wonderfully creative and energetic week here at Bramley.

Firefighter visit – Year 2

Year 2 had a visit from a firefighter on Monday to learn more about how to keep ourselves safe and what to do if there is a fire. This linked really well with their 'Great Fire of London' topic and the children were able to share what they have learnt so far this year.

Rock Steady Visit – Tuesday

The children were thrilled to welcome Rock Steady, a music company that offers engaging music lessons where children get to form their own rock bands! They enjoyed live demonstrations on the drums, electric guitar, and keyboard and even had the chance to try out the instruments themselves. You should have received some information about Rock Steady sent home with your child. We hope many families will sign up for this exciting opportunity to help children grow their musical skills in a fun and collaborative way. More information can be found here: <https://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/parents/> Rock Steady is open to all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

Harvest Service – Thursday

Our main school children came together to sing and perform at our annual Harvest Service. It was heart-warming to see the school community united in sharing the message of Harvest and gratitude. We hope you enjoyed the service, and we extend a huge thank you for all the generous donations to the food bank. Your contributions go a long way in supporting our local community.

Year 2 Football Tournament – Friday

On Friday afternoon, our Year 2 children represented Bramley at the Longacre Football Tournament, competing against teams from other local schools. They made us incredibly proud with their perseverance, and courage giving their best in every match and truly embodying our school values.

Next week see some exciting things happening. We have Stagecoach visiting to lead some drama workshops with all the children in Pre-School, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. Year 2 will also be taking part in the 'Restart a Heart' Campaign which teaches children essential lifesaving skills.

Have a lovely weekend,
Mrs. Strickland
Head of School

Notices

Nursery - Will be exploring up on the field next week. Please can you ensure you send your child in with suitable footwear or wellies.



Headteacher
AWARD

Value
AWARD

(Y1) Harry
(Y1) Edie
(Y2) Otto
(Y2) Isla

(Y1) Coco
(Y2) William

Class Gem Jar
AWARD



Year 1



Well done everyone!



Prayer

Dear God,

Thank you for the food we eat,
for the fruits and vegetables, warm bread and sweet treats.
Thank you for the farmers who work so hard, planting seeds and caring for the land.

As we celebrate this Harvest time, may we remember your love and care,
And be thankful every day for all the good things you give.
Amen.



Notices

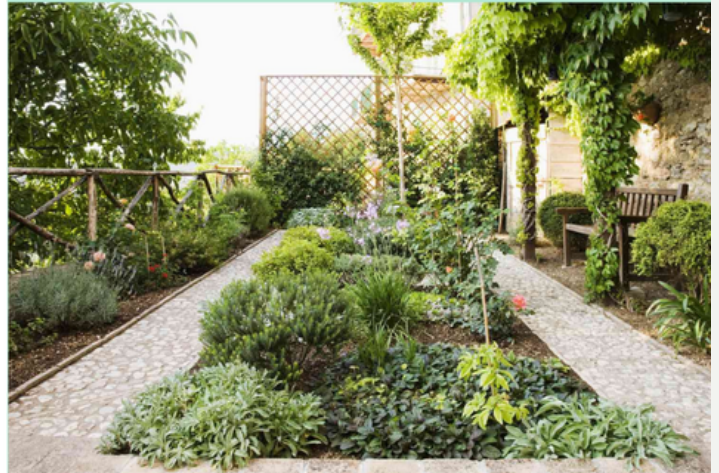
Thank you for any donations!

DONATIONS NEEDED!

Lego or construction toys

We are looking to start a '*construction pit*' in our playground to use at lunch time. This is a box of things such as Lego, Duplo, magnet tiles, K'NEX etc.

If you have any construction bits your child no longer uses and would be willing to donate to school, please bring them to the school office.



PLANT CUTTINGS

We are also looking for plants and flowers to add to the planters in our new sensory garden.

If you have any plant cuttings that would be suitable to grow then please do send them into the school office.

Some ideas of fragrant plants:

- Curry plant (*Helichrysum italicum*)
- Lavender (*Lavandula angustifolia*)
- Chocolate cosmos (*Cosmos atrosanguineus*)
- Stocks (*Matthiola incana*)
- Lemon scented geranium (*Pelargonium crispum*)
- Mint (*Mentha*)
- Oregano/wild marjoram (*Origanum vulgare*)
- Lilac (*Syringa vulgaris*)
- Mexican orange blossom (*Choisya ternate*)
- Honeysuckle (*Lonicera*)
- Jasmine (*Jasminum*)

Classroom Focus

FOREST SCHOOL

Year One have been enjoying the Autumn sunshine at Forest School over the past few weeks. As well as hunting for mini beasts, playing on the rope swing and cooking in the mud kitchen they have been busy identifying the species of trees that grow on the field and enjoyed creating their own leaf crowns.

As part of their science learning the children have been using their sense of touch, sight, hearing, smell and taste to explore the field. They completed a scavenger hunt and photographed what they found. They now have plans for making nettle tea and adding more fragrant herbs to our flower beds!

The children have been helping to clear out the raised beds. They are now ready for planting in the spring. We are proud that we have managed to grow a pumpkin! Hopefully it will turn orange in time for Halloween.

Forest meditation has become a regular favourite at Forest School. Taking some quiet time after a busy afternoon to listen to the sounds around us and watch the clouds and birds is a lovely way to relax.



Upcoming Events

Please note that dates in bold may have been added or changed since our last weekly newsletter.

October

13th Cycle to school week
14th Stagecoach workshops
20th Diwali
20th School tour, 1.30pm
21st Year 2 'Fire of London' Workshop
23rd Children break up - Start of half term
24th INSET day - School closed

November

1st Bramley Village Bonfire 6-8.30pm
3rd INSET DAY
4th Children return to School
5th Surrey nursing team visiting for Flu vaccinations for Reception, Year 1 & Year 2
6th Outdoor classroom day
7th Pause day for Remembrance
10th Anti bullying week & World nursery rhyme week
10th Odd socks day - Children to wear odd socks to school
10th World Science day
14th Children in Need
17th Road safety week
24th Parliament week
27th Bramley Christmas lights switch on
27th No pens day

December

4th Phyllis Tuckwell's Christmas Elf Run
8th Computer science education week
11th Christmas Jumper Day
18th Carols Round the Tree @ Holly Trinity Church, Bramley @2pm
19th Last Day of Term - 1.15pm pick up

🎉 Join the PTFA Dream Team! 🎉

With our new Co-Chairs ready to get started, we're now on the lookout for two superstar volunteers to fill the roles of **Treasurer** and **Secretary** on our PTFA committee!

- 💰 **Treasurer** – Good with numbers? Help us manage the funds that support all the amazing things we do for our school community.
- 📝 **Secretary** – Love a good list? Keep our meetings organised and make sure no brilliant idea gets forgotten!

No experience needed—just a willingness to get stuck in. It's a great way to meet people, have fun, and make a real difference to our school.
Get in touch with us if you are interested!

🎄 Christmas cards 🎄

Sorry to mention the 'C' word in October... but we're really excited to be offering the Christmas Card Design Project again this year. Children will be bringing home their design sheets next week. The completion date is *Tuesday 12th November*, giving everyone plenty of time to get creative and design their festive masterpieces.

Tania, Claire, Holly, Sally and the team xx

Term Dates

2025 - 2026

Autumn Term 2025	Spring Term 2026	Summer Term 2026
03/09/25 to 19/12/25	05/01/26 -27/03/26	13/04/26 – 22/07/26
Half Term: 27/10/25 – 31/10/25	Half Term: 16/02/26 – 20/02/26	Half Term: 25/05/26 – 29/05/26
INSET DAY: 03/09/25, 24/10/25, 03/11/25	INSET DAY: 05/01/26, 23/02/26	INSET DAY: 13/04/26, 22/05/26, 01/06/26

2026 - 2027

Autumn Term 2026	Spring Term 2027	Summer Term 2027
03/09/26 to 18/12/26	04/01/27 -26/03/27	12/04/27 – 28/07/27
Half Term: 19/10/26 – 02/11/26	Half Term: 15/02/27 – 19/02/27	Half Term: 31/05/27 – 04/06/27
INSET DAY: 01/09/26	INSET DAY: 04/01/27, 22/02/27, 23/02/27	INSET DAY: 28/05/27, 26/07/27, 27/07/27, 28/07/27

Half Term Events



WONERSH
PRIMARY SCHOOL
OCT HT Camp

£30 A DAY BASED ON A BLOCK BOOKING (4-5 days)
8:00AM - 4:00PM

Discounts:
10% sibling

FEATURED SPORTS
Football • Tag Rugby • Dodgeball • Athletics • Hockey • Golf • Gymnastics • Basketball • Cricket • Tennis

DATES RUNNING
Mon 27th Oct - Thurs 30th Oct

WSG Primary School / Shamley Green / Surrey, GU5 0RT

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW
Minimum 3 Specialist sports coaching sessions each day plus lots more fun activities / drills / games
Bring drinks, snacks, lunch, suitable clothing, sunscreen (NO nuts or EGG)
4+ Open to ages 4 to 12

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THURSDAY, 30TH OCTOBER
10.30-12.00

Suitable for 4-8 year olds - siblings welcome
Please sign up in the library or on Facebook

THE 2025[®] BIG DRAW FESTIVAL

ELSIE WINTERTON
1897-1964
GWR ENGINEER & DRAUGHTSWOMAN
Worked in Reading's signal dep. and became the first woman member of the Institution of Railway Signal Engineers in 1933.

Families First Guildford
Supporting families in our community

[Link](#)

Celebrate Railway 200 and The Big Draw Festival 2025 at Guildford Railway Station

Free drop-in artist led workshops.
Be inspired by old photographs of Guildford Station and drawings with a spooky twist to create your own images.

All ages welcome, all materials provided and no previous experience necessary.

Friday 31st October

Guildford Railway Station, Guildford, GU1 4UT

10.30am - 12.30pm
& 1.30pm - 3.30pm

Adverts & Events

Building Church!

at Holy Trinity
Bramley



4pm - 5pm
Saturday 25th October

Recreate a bible story with a variety of building materials

Refreshments provided - tea, coffee, squash, biscuits

All ages and stages welcome
Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times

THE HEN HOUSE!

FAMILY CLUB

WE ARE HIRING!

Wraparound Care Supervisor

- To work from 7.30am-8.45am and again at 2.30-6.15pm, Mon-Fri during term time in our before and after school clubs. Location - Bramley, Surrey. Additional hours during holidays also available.
- Ideally Level 3 Childcare qualified or above.
- This job would suit ex-teachers, TAs, nursery managers/deputy managers or holiday camp supervisors.
- All training provided.
- Start date: As soon as possible

Send your CV to:
childcare@thehen-house.com



Support programmes for parents & carers of children with autism

A variety of 6-part support programmes for parents and carers of children with autism (or suspected autism) are available online and in-person around Surrey. Your child must live in Surrey or attend a Surrey education setting.



Early bird programme for parents of children aged 5 years and under

- Understanding autism
- Communication
- Understanding autistic experiences
- Supporting daily living
- Health and wellbeing
- Connections

Cygnnet programme for parents of children aged 5-18 years old

- Introductory session
- Overview of autism with parent and carer experience
- Thinking & sensory
- Social interaction & communication
- Understanding & supporting behaviour
- Analysing behaviour

Teen life for parents of children aged 10-16 years old

- Understanding autism
- Understanding autistic identity
- Stress, anxiety and understanding behaviour
- Health and wellbeing
- Puberty
- Education and transitioning into adulthood

Can I ask some questions?

Email us on parenttraining@freemantles.surrey.sch.uk

How do I join a course?

Please scan the QR code to register your interest & be part of our mailing list. We will email you each time a new set of courses are available for booking.

Surrey Parent Training Programmes

