

17th October

Weekly Newsletter



Senior Leadership Message -

As we approach the end of the first half term, it's been wonderful to see so many exciting things happening across Bramley. Staff have been saying how quickly the weeks have flown by, and we're incredibly proud of how well all the children have settled into the new school year.

This week, children in Pre-School, Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 took part in Stagecoach drama workshops, exploring themes such as Being Me, Traditional Fairy Tales, and Musical Theatre. It was a joy to see their learning come to life through expressive and imaginative drama activities.



Year 2 also participated in Restart a Heart Day, a vital initiative aimed at teaching lifesaving CPR and defibrillator skills to children across the South East. The children joined a 30-minute online session led by expert air ambulance doctors and paramedics. With around 25 people experiencing sudden cardiac arrest daily in our region, these skills are truly life changing.

Looking ahead to next week, the final week of this half term, staff will begin planning for our Nativity performances and Christmas events. It may feel early, but we're excited to start preparing for the festive season and will share more details soon.

A quick reminder: Friday 24th October is an INSET day, and school will be closed to children.

Thank you for your continued support of the school.

Have a lovely weekend,
Mrs. Strickland
Head of School



Prayer

Dear God,

Thank You for the autumn days, for golden leaves and skies of haze.
For pumpkins, apples, and cozy nights, and trees dressed up in red and white.

Help us see Your love each day, in every leaf that floats away.
Teach us kindness, joy, and cheer, as we enjoy this time of year.
Amen.



Notices

Parent Consultations -

Main school: Consultations are now live on Scopay for you to book a slot with the class teacher.

Pre-School: Consultations will be going live on Scopay, Monday at 8am for you to book a slot with Mrs Muncer.



Headteacher
AWARD

Value
AWARD

(Y1) Henry I
(Y1) Margot
(Y2) Finn
(Y2) Finley L

(Y1) Barney
(Y2) Charlotte

Class Gem Jar
AWARD



Year 2



Well done everyone!

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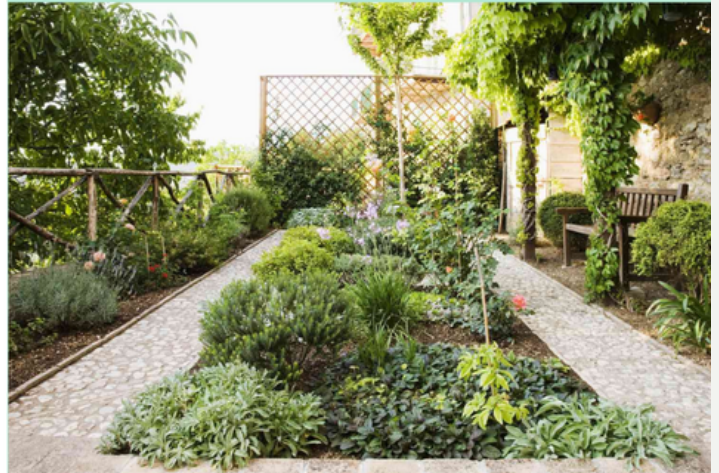
Thank you for any donations!

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

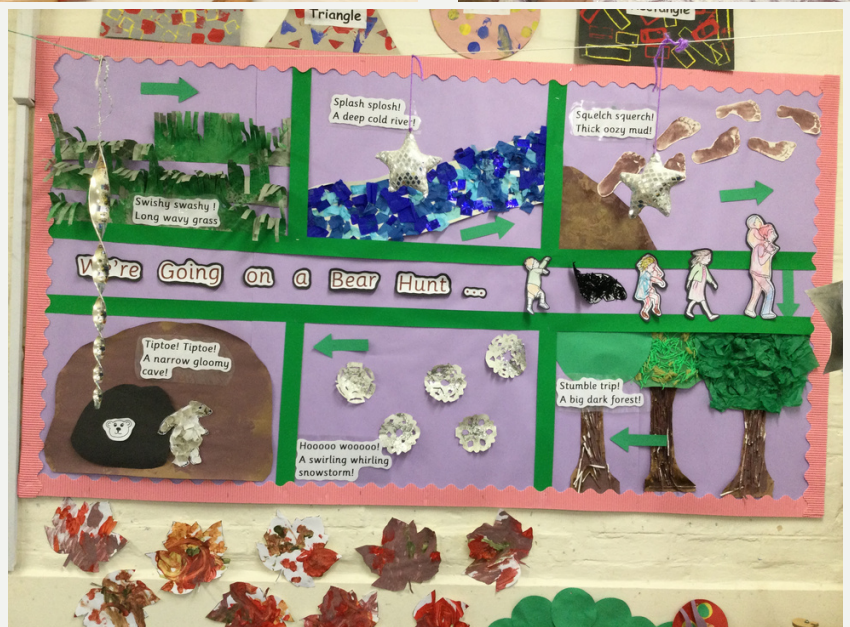
NURSERY

In Nursery we have had a fantastic half term. We have been detectives exploring for signs that Autumn is here, finding leaves that are changing colour because the trees and plants are getting ready to take a nap over winter. When we came in from the garden we washed our hands and discussed why this is important.

We have made wonderful pieces of art using lots of different techniques and media. We also created a display board about the story 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' by Michael Rosen.

We heard the story of 'The Little Red Hen' and how her friends did not want to help her and how she did not share the bread that she had made all by herself. We talked about the characters in the story and whether we thought they had acting in a kind way, and what would we do.

Next half term our topic will be on light and dark.



Upcoming Events

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

October

20th Diwali

20th School tour, 1.30pm

21st Year 2 'Fire of London' Workshop

22nd Muffi day - 'Rainbow Day' Children to come wearing their favourite colour in exchange for a bottle

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

10th Parent Consultations - Rec, Year 1 & Year 2 @ 1.10pm - 3.30pm

12th Parent Consultations - Year 1 @ 3.10pm - 6.00pm

13th Parent Consultations - Rec & Year 2 @ 3.10pm - 6.00pm

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

PTFA Highlights

We're excited to share news of a number of activities that are happening before half term:

🎨 Christmas Cards – Time to Get Creative

Children will be bringing home their Christmas design sheets today or Monday.

Please return completed designs to your class teacher by Tuesday 11th November. Don't forget to pay online using the unique code on your child's form before handing it in. Let the festive creativity begin!

🍰 Bake Sale – Monday Treats

Year 2 will be selling cakes after school in the main playground. Bring your £1 coins and enjoy a sweet treat to start the week.

🌈 Rainbow Mufti Day – Wear Your Favourite Colour

On Wednesday, come dressed in your favourite colour in exchange for a bottle for our Christmas Fair tombola. Let's fill the school with colour and cheer!

✉️ Join the PTFA Dream Team!

We're still looking for a Treasurer and Secretary. No experience needed – just enthusiasm and a love for our school. It's a great way to meet people, have fun, and make a real difference.

Interested? Get in touch – we'd love to hear from you!

Thanks for your continued support,

The PTFA Team



Wear your favourite colour and bring a bottle!

Wednesday 22nd October

Join us for a colourful mufti day!

All children are invited to come to school dressed in their favourite colour.

In return, we kindly ask parents to **donate a bottle of alcohol** of their choice. All donations will be used as prizes at our **Christmas Fair Tombola Stall**.



Thank you for your support!
from the PTFA team



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

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PRIMARY SCHOOL

OCT HT Camp

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

DISCOUNT:
10% sibling

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)
- Open to ages 4 to 12

DATES RUNNING
Mon 27th Oct - Thurs 30th Oct

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

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HALLOWEEN

STORYTIME

AND CRAFT ACTIVITIES

THURSDAY, 30TH OCTOBER
10.30-12.00

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

TUNGATE QUARTER
GUILDFORD

HOCUS POCUS SCHOOL OF MAGIC

Join us for spook-tacular Halloween fun!

Tuesday 28 October
10am - 4pm

Face Painting
Crafts & Potion Making
Lucky Dip Cauldron
Storytelling and much more!

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the FOUNTAIN CENTRE

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THE 2025[®] BIG DRAW FESTIVAL

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

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

St Catherine's Christmas Fair

St Catherine's Senior School
Sports Hall

22 November 2025
10am - 4pm

- ★ Entry £3, Under 18s FREE
- ★ Christmas gift stalls
- ★ Children's activities
- ★ Food & Refreshments available
- ★ Raffle

#stcatschristmasfair

St Catherine's Senior School
Station Road
Bramley GU5 0DF

Everyone welcome!

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

